TITLE 10: LOCAL LAWS DIVISION 1: FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT (ROTA)

§ 1841. Fish Reserve.

This article shall create a fish reserve, to be located in the Sasanhaya Bay of Rota, between and including Puña Point and the Coral Gardens. The boundaries of said reserve will be delineated by buoys to help the public identify the area and comply with the regulations, and also greatly assist law enforcement. Killing or removing, or attempting to remove, any marine animal, including but not limited to any fishes, coral (live or dead), lobster, shellfish, clams or octopus shall be prohibited within this reserve. Shell removal shall also be prohibited. Any other activities which are exploitive or destructive to the marine life and/or the World War II wrecks (specifically the sub chaser and the Japanese freighter Shoun Maru), shall be strictly prohibited within this fish reserve.

Source: Rota LL 9-2, § 2.

Commission Comment: Rota LL 9-2 took effect October 13, 1994. According to Rota LL 9-2, § 1:

Section 1. Findings. The First Senatorial District Delegation finds that there is a need to preserve the natural beauty, pristine marine environment and the historical wreckage in the Sasanhaya Bay of Rota, especially from Puña Point to the Coral Gardens. The Delegation further finds that this area is a valuable tourist attraction and that its preservation would be a boost to this industry. The Delegation further finds that the protection of marine life in this area will be best accomplished by establishing a fish reserve within which fishing and other potentially harmful activities shall be restricted.