

TDW-8 Agenda Item 5.2 -- New CMM Reporting requirements

Reporting obligations in the CMMs in recent years

CMM 2011-03 - CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR PROTECTION OF CETACEANS FROM PURSE SEINE FISHING OPERATIONS

5. CCMs shall include in their Part 1 Annual Report any instances in which cetaceans have been encircled by the purse seine nets of their flagged vessels, reported under paragraph 2(b).

CMM 2011-04 - CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR OCEANIC WHITETIP SHARK

3. CCMs shall estimate, through data collected from observer programs and other means, the number of releases of oceanic whitetip shark, including the status upon release (dead or alive), and report this information to the WCPFC in Part 1 of their Annual Reports.

CMM 2012-04 - CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR PROTECTION OF WHALE SHARKS FROM PURSE SEINE FISHING OPERATIONS

6. CCMs shall advise in their Part 1 Annual Report of any instances in which whale sharks have been encircled by the purse seine nets of their flagged vessels, including the details required under paragraph 4(b).

CMM 2012-07 - CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE TO MITIGATE THE IMPACT OF FISHING FOR HIGHLY MIGRATORY FISH STOCKS ON SEABIRDS

9. CCMs shall annually provide to the Commission, in Part 1 of their annual reports, all available information on interactions with seabirds reported or collected by observers, including mitigation used, observed and reported species specific seabird bycatch rates and numbers, to enable the Scientific Committee to estimate seabird mortality in all fisheries to which the WCPFC Convention applies. See Annex 2 for Part 1 reporting template guideline. Alternatively, statistically rigorous estimates of species-specific seabird interaction rates (for longline, interactions per 1,000 hooks) and total numbers should be reported.

New Reporting requirements in 2013 CCMs -- as at 1st January 2014

CMM 2013-01 - CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR BIGEYE, YELLOWFIN AND SKIPJACK TUNA IN THE WESTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC OCEAN

Reporting for FAD set limit option

19. CCMs that select an option that limits the number of FAD sets in addition to the 3-month prohibition of FAD sets (paragraph 16b, 17b) shall implement the limit on FAD sets in accordance with the following:

- a) The captain of a purse seine vessel shall weekly report (i) the number of FAD sets, (ii) the number of total sets, and (iii) estimated bigeye catch in the previous week to the flag CCM and the observer on board.
- b) The flag CCM shall provide information set forth in (19a) every month by its vessels to the Secretariat.**
- c) After the number of FAD set conducted reaches 80% of the set limit, the CCM shall report the information (19a) above weekly to the Secretariat.**
- d) After the number of FAD sets conducted reaches 90% of the set limit, the captain shall report the information daily to the flag CCM authority.**
- e) When the number of FAD set conducted reaches the limit, the CCM shall promptly take necessary measures to ensure that no further sets on FADs shall be made by its purse seine vessels during that calendar year and report the measures taken to the Secretariat.

Other Commercial fisheries

48. CCMs shall provide the Commission with estimates of fishing effort for these other fisheries or proposals for the provision of effort data for these fisheries for 2013 and future years.

CMM 2013-08 - CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR SILKY SHARKS

3. CCMs shall estimate, through data collected from observer programs and other means, the number of releases of silky shark caught in the Convention Area, including the status upon release (dead or alive), and report this information to the WCPFC in Part 1 of their Annual Reports.

CMM 2013-10 - CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA

6. CCMs shall also take measures necessary to strengthen data collecting system for Pacific bluefin tuna fisheries in order to improve the data quality and timeliness of all the data reporting;

7. CCMs shall submit to ISC by December 15th, 2013 all the catch and effort data until 2012 of juvenile and adults of Pacific bluefin tuna.