# SESSION 7.1 LICENSING AND THE NATIONAL FLEET IN TUFMAN

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## **Presentation outline**



- Definitions and differences
- How they are used in TUFMAN
- Regional licenses

## **Definitions**



#### Licensing

 Refers to the authority to fish in a countries EEZ, for a pre-determined time period or for a single trip. Licenses are generally issued under a formal agreement with the operating company or association

#### National Fleet

 Refers to all of the vessels that are flagged as national vessels, i.e. they have the flag of the relevant flag-state.

## **Differences**



#### License

- An actual permit to fish with a certificate, for a fixed period of time or a single trip
- Expires and vessel must re-apply for another to continue fishing
- Domestic vessels are different and might have an 'implied' license
- Licenses are entered and managed in TUFMAN, must come under an agreement
- Can be issued by the country or a regional arrangement

#### National Fleet

- No license needed to be in the national fleet, but might have formal registration
- National fleet entries are stand-alone, with no agreement

## **Licensing and National Fleet**



There is no link between licenses and the national fleet. In TUFMAN you can have:

- Vessels licensed but not in the national fleet (e.g. foreign flagged vessels)
- Vessels in the national fleet that are not licensed (e.g. vessels flagged to your country that don't fish in your waters, or domestic vessels where no license is issued)
- Vessels in the national fleet that also have a license, such as joint venture vessels or domestic vessels with a license.

## How they are used in TUFMAN



#### Licensing in TUFMAN has the following purposes:

- Issuing of the licenses and license certificates
- Generation of licensing revenue reports
- Used in the generation of catch and effort reports, primarily for activity in the EEZ
- Used in the VDS management module, where vessel days are distributed to agreements and days used assigned to agreements by linked the VMS data to a license.

#### Important:

- Catch and effort reports rely on license link, non-linked logsheets will not be included in report output
- Licensing fees and receipts must be correct for revenue reports
- VDS days used links to license, VMS data not linked will show as 'not licensed' and won't be assigned to an agreement.

## How they are used in TUFMAN



- National Fleet in TUFMAN has the following purposes:
  - Maintaining a list of vessels in the national fleet
  - Used in the generation of catch and effort reports for the national fleet
  - Used for the special WCPFC reports

#### Important:

- National fleet and WCPFC reports rely on national fleet link, non-linked logsheets etc will not be included in report output
- These reports are used in many ways in-country, by regional organisations (e.g. annual catch estimates) so incorrect report output can have big consequences.

## **Regional Licenses**



- Examples are US Treaty and FSM arrangement
- Vessel licenses not managed by countries, no need to process license and fees / payments in TUFMAN
- Entry into TUFMAN is optional but has an effect one way or the other

## **Regional Licenses**



#### If entered:

- need a special 'license profile' that allows the existing license number to be entered
- All of the vessels and agreement need to be entered as well
- No fees or payments need to be entered
- These licenses will be included in licensing summaries produced by TUFMAN licensing reporting
- If the logsheets are entered then they will be included in the reports as well
- The VDS 'days used' for these vessels will be calculated in the VDS management module and assigned to the relevant agreement, so this need to be taken into account.

#### If not entered:

- The catch from these vessels needs to be obtained from the relevant authority
- The VDS 'days used' for these vessels will be calculated in the VDS management module and will show as 'unlicensed'.

## Licensing and the National Fleet (Section 2017)

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