

SCHEDULE OF STOCK ASSESSMENTS FOR IOTC SPECIES AND SPECIES OF INTEREST FROM 2023–2027, AND FOR OTHER WORKING PARTY PRIORITIES

<i>Working Party on Neritic Tunas</i>					
Species	2023*	2024*	2025**	2026*	2027*
Bullet tuna	Data preparation	Assessment	Data preparation	Data preparation	Assessment
Frigate tuna	Data preparation	Assessment	Data preparation	Data preparation	Assessment
Indo-Pacific king mackerel	Data preparation	Assessment	Data preparation	Data preparation	Assessment
Kawakawa	Assessment	Data preparation	Data preparation	Assessment	Data preparation
Longtail tuna	Assessment	Data preparation	Data preparation	Assessment	Data preparation
Narrow-barred Spanish mackerel	Assessment	Data preparation	Data preparation	Assessment	Data preparation
<p>* Including data-limited stock assessment methods;</p> <p>** Including species-specific catches, CPUE, biological information and size distribution as well as identification of data gaps and discussion of improvements to the assessments (stock structure); one day may be reserved for capacity building activities.</p> <p>Note: the assessment schedule may be changed dependent on the annual review of fishery indicators, or SC and Commission requests</p>					
<i>Working Party on Billfish</i>					
Species	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Black marlin		Full assessment			Full assessment
Blue marlin			Full assessment		
Striped marlin		Full assessment			Full assessment
Swordfish	Full assessment		Indicators**	Full assessment	
Indo-Pacific sailfish			Full assessment*		
<p>* Including data poor stock assessment methods; Note: the assessment schedule may be changed depending on the annual review of fishery indicators, or SC and Commission requests.</p> <p>** Including biological parameters, standardized CPUE, and other fishery trend.</p>					

Working Party on Tropical Tunas					
Species	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Bigeye tuna	Indicators	Indicators MP to be run	Data preparatory meeting Full assessment	Indicators	Indicators
Skipjack tuna	Data preparatory meeting Full assessment	Indicators	Indicators	Data preparatory meeting Full assessment	Indicators
Yellowfin tuna	External Review of 2021 Assessment	Data preparatory meeting Full assessment	Indicators	Indicators	Data preparatory meeting Full assessment
Working Party on Ecosystems and Bycatch					
Species	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Blue shark	–	–	Data preparatory meeting Full assessment	-	–
Oceanic whitetip shark	–	Data preparation	Indicator analysis	-	Data preparation
Scalloped hammerhead	Workplan to be developed	–	–	-	–
Shortfin mako shark		Data preparation Full assessment	–	-	Data preparatory meeting Full assessment
Silky shark	Assessment*	-	–	Assessment*	-
Bigeye thresher shark	-	–	–	Assessment*	–
Pelagic thresher shark	-	–	–	Assessment*	–

Porbeagle shark	Assessment*	–	–	-	–
Mobulid Rays	-	Interactions/ Indicators	–	-	Interactions/ Indicators
Marine turtles	Indicators	–	Indicators	-	–
Seabirds	–	Development of draft workplan	–	Review of mitigation measures in Res. 12/06	–
Marine Mammals	–	–	Review of mitigation measures	-	–
Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management (EBFM) approaches		Ecoregions pilot study			
Series of multi- taxa bycatch mitigation workshops	Focus: gillnets	Focus: gillnets	Focus: tbd	Focus: tbd	Focus: tbd

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Working Party on					
Species	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Albacore	–		Data preparatory Meeting (4 days) (April/May/June) Stock assessment meeting (5 days) (July/August)	–	–