

**Rough Comparison of Statistical Document programme (SD) and Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS)**

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	IOTC Statistical Document	Catch Document
		<u>Additional requirements are underlined</u>
Species	Bigeye	Bigeye, <u>Yellowfin</u> , <u>Skipjack</u> * To be expanded
Product Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Frozen (as an initial stage)</li> <li>- not applied to fish parts other than the meat, i.e., head, eyes, roe, guts, tails</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ALL (Frozen, <u>Fresh</u>, <u>Processed</u>)</li> <li>- not applied to fish parts other than the meat, i.e., head, eyes, roe, guts, tails</li> </ul>
Type of Trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Export/Import</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Export/Import</li> <li>- <u>Domestic Trade (first sale only)</u></li> </ul>
When Issued and Filled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Before export</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Before each movement of consignment (e.g. landing, trade, transshipment)</li> </ul>
By Whom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exporter</li> <li>- Importer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Fishermen</u></li> <li>- Exporter/<u>Seller</u></li> <li>- Importer/<u>Buyer</u></li> </ul>
Validation of Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gov. Officials of exporting CPCs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gov. Officials of exporting CPCs (international trade)</li> <li>- Gov. Officials of flag CPCs (domestic trade and transshipment)</li> </ul>
Verification of Documents (critical check on the contents, check whether consignments are accompanied by SDs/CDs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gov. Officials of importing CPCs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gov. Officials of CPCs related to each movement of consignment (landed in, domestically traded in, imported into or exported, transshipped)</li> </ul>
Items to be included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Flag CPC</li> <li>- Fishing vessel information (Name, Registration Number, LOA, IOTC Record No.)</li> <li>- Product information (Catch Area, Product Type, Month of Harvest, Gear Code, Product weight)</li> <li>- Export information (Exporter, Point of Export)</li> <li>- Import information (Importer, Point of Import)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Flag CPC</li> <li>- Fishing vessel information (Name, Registration Number, LOA, IOTC Record No.)</li> <li>- Product information (Catch Area, Product Type, Month of Harvest, Gear Code, Product weight)</li> <li>- <u>Transshipment information</u> (carrier vessel name, registration number, date, position, weight)</li> <li>- Export information (Exporter, Point of Export)</li> <li>- Import information (Importer, Point of Import)</li> </ul> <p>(EU CDS, US SIMP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Transport details</u></li> <li>- <u>Processing details</u> (if applicable)</li> </ul>

**Potential Administrative and Practical Challenges in Implementing CDS**

- Catch Documents (CDs) for fresh products requires timely and expeditious actions by relevant actors: data entry by fishermen/seller/exporter, validation and verification by government officials
- Expansion to domestically traded products would increase the number of CDs to be issued
- Fishermen will be required to fill the catch information

**Potential Solutions to These Challenges**

- When catch quantities are small (i.e. less than 1 ton or three fish), the logbook or the sales note may be used as a temporary CD, pending the validation of CD within certain time frame (i.e. 7 days) <ICCAT Bluefin tuna CDS>
- CDs can be validated not only by government officials but also other individuals or institution authorized by the CPC (e.g. local authority, chamber of commerce) <ICCAT Bluefin tuna CDS>
- Validations are not necessary if all fish are tagged before the time of landing. Tags shall have unique numbers and tamper proof <ICCAT Bluefin tuna CDS>
- Exporter/Seller can fill catch information on behalf of fishermen in the case of small vessels <EU CDS>
- Validation and verification by government can be assisted by introducing electronic CDS so that the system would automatically check the legitimacy of the catches (e.g. the vessel is on the authorized vessel list, accumulated validated catch amounts is within the quota/catch limit of the CPC) <ICCAT Bluefin tuna CDS>