

1. Implementation obligations

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
1.1	Article X Agreement (2022)	Report of Implementation	Session -60d 9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Received 09.03.2023. All applicable sections completed.	
1.2	Rules of P. (4.1) (2022)	Compliance questionnaire	13/2/2023	C	C	C	C	Received 13.02.2023. All sections/questions applicable completed.	
1.3	SC04 (111) (-2021)	National Scientific Report	20/11/2022	C	C	C	C	Received 16.11.2022	
1.4	Commission (S17, 52) (2022)	Response to Feedback letter	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Received 06.03.2023. Had 2 Compliance issues. All responded.	

2. Management Standards

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
2.1	Res. 19/04 (11.c & 17.c) (2022)	Certificates of registration & valid authorisation to fish/tranship on board	13/2/2023	C	C	C	C	IOTC-2022-CoC19-CR11. Legal reference: Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, etc. of Designated Fisheries. National legislation ((21 & 29), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1701 of 2 December, 2020)).	
2.2	Res. 19/04 (18) (2022)	Marking of vessels	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Legal reference: Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, etc. of Designated Fisheries. National legislation ((21 & 29), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1701 of 2 December, 2020)).	
2.3	Res. 19/04 (19.a & b) (-2022)	Marking of gears	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Legal reference: Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, etc. of Designated Fisheries. National legislation ((21 & 29), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1701 of 2 December, 2020)).	
2.4	Res. 19/04 (20) (2022)	Fishing logbook on board, bound, consecutive numbered pages, 12 months recording	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Legal reference: Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, etc. of Designated Fisheries. National legislation ((21 & 29), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1701 of 2 December, 2020)).	
2.5	Res. 19/04 (6) (2022)	Official authorisation to fish outside National Jurisdictions (ATF)	13/2/2023 Since 15/02/2014	C	C	C	C	Update received 30.08.2021: For Competent authority, official stamp, ATF template. No update received for 2022.	

2.6	Res. 19/04 (3.b & c) (-2022)	IMO number for eligible vessels	13/2/2023 Since 01/01/2016	C	C	C	C	Has 181 vessels in the RAV and 181 with IMO numbers.	
2.7	Res. 15/01 (4) (2022)	Official national fishing logbooks	13/2/2023 Since 15/02//2016	C	C	C	C	Received 23.09.2021 for PS & LL.	
2.8	Res. 17/07 (2) / PAK: 12/12 (2) (-2022)	Ban on large-scale driftnets in IOTC Area	9/3/2023	C	C	C	P/C	Has declared that is banned by national legislation. Legal Reference: Appended Table 1 (Re: Article 2, 87 and 101) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963) and public notice issued by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. No specific provision on the ban provided for all their flag fishing vessels.	
2.9	Res. 17/07 (6) / PAK: 12/12 (5) (-2022)	MCS actions related to large-scale driftnets in IOTC Area	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Received: 03.03.2023. MCS actions applicable to Flag vessels: Control of flag vessels at licensing, Inspection in port flag vessels.	
2.10	Res. 19/02 (21) & 19/04 (19.c) (2022)	Marking of FADs	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2013	C	C	C	C	In 2022 , no purse seine vessels / supply vessels have used FADs. FAD Plan of February 2023 states that each DFAD is marked with relevant information in order to identify the owner. Legal refence: Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, etc. of Designated Fisheries. National legislation ((29), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1701 of 2 December, 2020).	
2.11	Res. 19/02 (12) (2023)	FADs management plan	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2013	C	C	C	C	Received 13.02.2023. 2023 DFAD management plan provided.	
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2.12	Res. 19/02 (16) (2022)	Progress report on implementation of FADs management plan	13/2/2023			C	C	Received 09.03.2023. Progress report on implementation of 2022 DFAD management plan provided.	
2.13	Res. 16/07 (1&2) (2022)	Prohibition of surface and submerged artificial lights to attract fish	13/2/2023 Since 27/09/2016	C	C	C	C	Prohibited by Appended Table 4 (Re: Article 23) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963)	
2.14	Res. 16/08 (1) (2022)	Prohibition of aircrafts & unmanned aerial vehicles	13/2/2023 Since 27/09/2016	C	C	C	C	It is prohibited by (21), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (for operators of large-scale PS fishing vessels) (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1, 2022).	
2.15	Res. 21/01 (15) (2021)	CPC subject to catch reductions, over-catch: report corrective actions taken to adhere to prescribed catch levels	9/3/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not subject to yellowfin catch reduction in 2021.	
2.16	Res. 21/01 (12) / OMN IDN IRN MDG SOM: 19/01 (12) / IND: 18/01 (7) (-2022)	Report methods for achieving YFT catch reductions	9/3/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not subject to yellowfin catch reduction.	
2.17	Res. 21/01 (20) / OMN IDN IRN MDG SOM: 19/01 (18) (2023)	Purse seiners served by supply vessel in 2023	Before 1/1/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No supply vessel (SP) on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2022.	
2.18	Res. 21/01 (18) / OMN IDN IRN MDG SOM: 19/01 (16) / IND: 18/01 (3c) (-2022)	Status/Plan reducing the use of supply vessels	9/3/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Has 10 PS vessels and no Supply Vessel on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels.	
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2.19	Res. 21/01 (5-15) / OMN IDN IRN MDG SOM: 19/01 (5-15) / IND: 18/01 (3-6) (2021)	Catch limits - Nominal catch of YFT in 2021	9/3/2023 Since 03/10/2017			C	C	LL fleet: 74.7 % decrease YFT catch in 2021, instead of 21%.	Instead of the maximum reported catches between 2017 to 2019 (para. 7), i.e, 2017 in the case of Japan.
2.20	Res. 21/01 (21-24) / OMN IDN IRN MDG SOM: 19/01 (20/23) (-2022)	Gillnet - Report level of implementation of paragraphs 21-23	9/3/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 03.03.2023. No gillnet fishing vessels registered on the IOTC Record of Authorized Vessels in 2022.	
2.21	Res. 18/07 (1) (2022)	Report actions taken to implement reporting obligations & improve data collection of catches	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Received 09.03.2023 e-MARIS. Actions detailed in IOTC-2023-CoC20-IR11.	
2.22	Res 11/02 (6) (2022)	Reports observations of damaged data buoys	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Nil Report - No report received from flag vessels in 2022	
2.23	Res 11/02 (2) (2022)	Prohibition from intentionally fishing within 1 nautical mile of or interacting with data buoy	13/2/2023 Since 2011	C	C	C	C	Banned by national legislation. No copy or text of the provision provided in an IOTC official language. Legal reference: It is prohibited by (29), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (for operators of large-scale PS fishing vessels) (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1, 2022) and by (28), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (for operators of LL fishing vessels which operate in the IOTC area) (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1, 2022)	
2.24	Res 11/02 (3) (2022)	Prohibition from taking on board data buoy	13/2/2023 Since 2011	C	C	C	C	Banned by national legislation. No copy or text of the provision provided in an IOTC official language. Legal reference: It is prohibited by (29), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (for operators of large-scale PS fishing vessels) (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1, 2022) and by (28), paragraph 2 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fish-	

								eries Agency (for operators of LL fishing vessels which operate in the IOTC area) (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1, 2022). Prohibits any interference with data buoys.	
2.25	Res. 13/04 (2) (2022)	Prohibition of intentionally setting purse seine net around cetacean	13/2/2023 Since 2013. For PS	C	C	C	C	Banned by national legislation. No copy or text of the provision provided in an IOTC official language. Legal Reference: Appended Table 4 (Re: Article 23) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963).	
2.26	Res. 13/05 (2) (2022)	Prohibition of intentionally setting purse seine net around whale shark	13/2/2023 Since 2013. For PS	C	C	C	C	Banned since 2013. By appended Table 4 (Re: Article 23) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963)	
2.27	Res. 19/03 (2) (2022)	Prohibition of intentionally setting any gear type on mobulid rays	13/2/2023 Since 2019. All gears	C	C	C	C	Banned since 2019. Legal Reference: Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963). Art 43	
2.28	Res. 19/04 (11&12) (- 2022)	Report on review of flag State internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions on flag vessels on the RAV	9/3/2023	██████	██████	C	C	Received 03.03.2023. Has conducted review of internal actions/measures, punitive actions & sanctions. Report provided for all paragraphs 11.	

3. Reporting on Vessels

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
3.1	Res. 10/08 (1) (2022)	List of Active vessels	15/2/2023	C	C	C	C	Has 181 vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels and 43 actifs in 2022.	
3.2	Res. 19/07 (8) (2022)	Particulars of charter agreements, catches, effort, observer coverage (Chartering CP)	28/2/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Japan is not a Chartering CP.	
3.3	Res. 19/07 (4.1) (2022)	Information on the particulars of the charter agreements and detail of vessels (Chartering CP)	13/2/2023 Within 15 days before fishing	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 13.02.2023. Japan is not a Chartering CP. Japan is involved as flag CPC in chartering agreement with South Africa in 2022	
3.4	Res. 19/07 (4.2) (2022)	Consent, measures, agreement implementation of IOTC CMMs (Flag CPC)	13/2/2023 Within 15 days before fishing	C	C	C	C	Received 17.03.2022; Charter agreement with ZAF in 2022. IOTC CIRCULAR 2022-23	
3.5	Res. 19/07 (6) (2022)	Start, suspension, resumption and termination of the fishing operations of chartering agreement	13/2/2023 Since 2018	C	C	C	C	Received 13.02.2023. Charter agreement with South Africa in 2022.	
3.6	Res. 19/04 (3) (2022)	List of Authorized vessels 24 metres in length overall or more	13/2/2023 Since 01/07/2003	C	PC	C	P/C	Last Update: 08.12.22. Missing photographs for 38 vessels.	Japan submitted all the information in August. The Secretariat has been working to fix some errors. Thus, this should be assessed as "C".
3.7	Res. 19/04 (3) (2022)	List of Authorized vessels (less than 24m, operating in waters outside EEZ of the flag state)	13/2/2023 Since 01/07/2006	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No vessel < 24m on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2022.	
3.8	Res. 14/05 (1) (2022)	List of foreign vessels licensed in EEZ	15/2/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not a coastal State located in the IOTC area of competence.	

			Since 01/07/2006						
3.9	Res. 14/05 (6) (2022)	Foreign vessels denied a licence	15/2/2023 Since 01/07/2006	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not a coastal State located in the IOTC area of competence.	
3.10	Res. 14/05 (3&5) (2022)	Access Agreement information	13/2/2023 Since 26/02/2015	NA	NA	C	C	Nil report - No CPC-CPC agreement in 2022.	
3.11	Res. 14/05 (7,8) (2022)	Official coastal State fishing License	13/2/2023 Since 14/01/2014	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not a coastal State located in the IOTC area of competence.	
3.12	Res. 21/01 (26) (2022)	List of vessels fishing for yellowfin tuna	15/2/2023	████████	████████	C	C	Received 13.02.2023. Has 38 vessels fishing for yellowfin tuna in the IOTC area of competence in 2022.	

4. Vessel Monitoring System

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
4.1	Res. 15/03 (1) (2022)	Adoption VMS for all vessels > 24 m, and for vessels < 24 m fishing outside flag State's EEZ	13/2/2023 Since 01/07/2007	C	C	C	C	VMS adopted since 2007. Coverage is 100 %, 177 vessels, in 2022. Has provided legislation but no provision for VMS identified.	
4.2	Res. 15/03 (12) (2021)	VMS report on implementation & technical failures	30/6/2022	C	C	C	C	Received 30.06.2022. 2 technical failures reported.	
4.3	Res. 15/03 (2) (2021)	VMS implementation plan	13/2/2023 Since 30/04/2016	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	VMS adopted & coverage is 100%.	

5.Mandatory statistical requirement – Flag State CPCs

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Nominal catch

5.1	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Coastal fisheries	30/6/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not a coastal State of the IOTC Area of Competence – no Artisanal / Coastal fisheries.	
5.2	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Surface fisheries: PS, BB, GN	30/6/2022	C	C	N/A	N/A	IOTC-2022-SC25-NR11: No PS vessel operation in 2021.	
5.3	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Longline fisheries	30/6/2022	C	C	C	C	Received 29.06.2022 and 27.01.2023; Data provided by IOTC standards.	
5.4	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Discards	30/6/2022			L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan is considering a methodology to estimate discards.
5.5	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Report on zero catches matrix	30/6/2022	C	C	C	P/C	Received 29.06.2022; Data partially provided by IOTC standards.	All the information is provided and should be assessed as "C". Otherwise, request clarification from the Secretariat.

Catch & Effort

5.6	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Coastal fisheries	30/6/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not a coastal State of the IOTC Area of Competence – no Artisanal / Coastal fisheries.	
5.7	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Surface fisheries: PS, BB, GN	30/6/2022	L	C	N/A	N/A	IOTC-2022-SC25-NR11: No PS vessel operation in 2021.	
5.8	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Longline fisheries	30/6/2022	L	C	P/C	C	Received 29.06.2022 and 27.01.2023; Data provided by IOTC standards.	

Size frequency

5.9	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Coastal fisheries	30/6/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not a coastal State of the IOTC Area of Competence – no Artisanal / Coastal fisheries.	
5.10	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Surface fisheries: PS, BB, GN	30/6/2022	L	PC	N/A	N/A	IOTC-2022-SC25-NR11: No PS vessel operation in 2021.	
5.11	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Longline fisheries	30/6/2022	L	PC	L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan submits such data through the regional observer scheme, but no observer was deployed in 2021 by the impact of Covid19.

Fish Aggregating Devices (FAD)

5.12	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Supply vessels	30/6/2022	L	C	N/A	N/A	No supply vessel on the IOTC Record of Fishing Vessels in 2021.
5.13	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	Days at sea by supply vessels	30/6/2022	L	C	N/A	N/A	No supply vessel on the IOTC Record of Fishing Vessels in 2021.
5.14	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)	FADs set by type	30/6/2022	L	C	N/A	N/A	No supply vessel on the IOTC Record of Fishing Vessels in 2021.
5.15	Res. 19/02 (4.24) (2022)	Number of active FAD	Before 1st of month	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No supply vessel on the IOTC Record of Fishing Vessels in 2021.

6. Implementation of mitigation measures and bycatch of non-IOTC species

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current content	Official observations	CPC remarks
6.1	Res. 17/05 (6) (2021)	Sharks nominal catch data	30/6/2022	C	PC	C	C	Received 29.06.2022; Data provided by IOTC standards.	
6.2	Res. 17/05 (6) (2021)	Sharks catch & effort data	30/6/2022	C	PC	C	C	Received 29.06.2022; Data provided by IOTC standards.	
6.3	Res. 17/05 (6) (2021)	Sharks size frequency data	30/6/2022	C	PC	L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan submits such data through the regional observer scheme, but no observer was deployed in 2021 by the impact of Covid19.
6.4	Res. 17/05 (3) (2022)	Prohibition on sharks finning	13/2/2023 Since 03/10/2017	C	C	C	P/C	Has declared it has been banned by national legislation. Legal Reference: article 62 and article 53 of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963). Declares that ban for sharks landed fresh is not applicable to flag LL in the IOTC area of competence. Ban partially transposed for sharks landed frozen. No reference to the obligation to have on board fins that total more than 5% of the weight of sharks on board.	
6.5	Res. 12/09 (2) (2022)	Prohibition on thresher sharks - all species of family <i>Alopiidae</i>	13/2/2023 Since 07/07/2010	C	C	C	C	Prohibited since 2012. Legal reference: Appended Table 4 (Re: Article 23) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963)	
6.6	Res. 13/06 (3) (2022)	Prohibition on oceanic whitetip sharks (<i>Carcharhinus longimanus</i>)	13/2/2023 Since 14/08/2013	C	C	C	C	Prohibited since 2013. Legal reference: Appended Table 4 (Re: Article 23) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963)	

6.7	Res. 19/03 (3) (2022)	Prohibition to retain onboard, tranship, land, store mobulid rays	13/2/2023 Since 29/10/2019	C	C	C	C	Legal reference: Appended Table 4 (Re: Article 23) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963)	
6.8	Res. 19/03 (5, Annex 1) (-2022)	Prohibition to gaff, lift by the gill slits/spiracles, punch holes through the bodies. Obligation to release alive, implementation of live release handling procedures of mobulid rays	13/2/2023 Since 29/10/2019	C	C	C	C	Prohibited by paragraph (21) of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1, 2022)	
6.9	Res. 12/04 (5) (2022)	Report on progress of implementation of Res. 12/04	9/3/2023 Since 29/10/2019	C	C	C	C	Received 03.03.2023. Has provided information on implementation of Resolution 12/04. Two applicable requirements of the Resolution without progress of implementation provided.	
6.10	Res. 12/04 (3) (2021)	Data on interactions with marine turtles	30/6/2022 Since 29/10/2019	L	C	L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan submits such data through the regional observer scheme, but no observer was deployed in 2021 by the impact of Covid19.
6.11	Res. 12/04 (8) (2022)	Longliner carry & employ line cutters & de-hookers on board	13/2/2023 Since 06/08/2009	C	C	C	C	Legal reference: (20), of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (for operators of LL fishing vessels which operate in the IOTC area) (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1 2022)	
6.12	Res. 12/04 (9) (2022)	Purse seiners carry & employ dip nets on board	13/2/2023 Since 06/08/2009	C	C	C	C	Legal reference: (20), of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (for operators of large-scale PS fishing vessels) (Notice of Fisheries Agency No. 1703 of August 1 2022)	
6.13	Res. 12/06 (1 & 2) (2021)	Data on seabirds interactions	30/6/2022	L	C	L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan submits such data through the regional observer scheme, but

			Since 06/08/2009						no observer was deployed in 2021 by the impact of Covid19.
6.14	Res. 12/06 (5) (2022)	Implementation of mitigation measures south of 25°S	13/2/2023 Since 01/11/2010	C	C	C	P/C	Declares it has been implemented by national legislation. Legal Reference: article 57 of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963). Does not provide copy of the legal reference in an IOTC language.	
6.15	Res. 13/04 (7) (2021)	Data on interactions with Cetaceans	30/6/2022 (All gears)	L	C	L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan submits such data through the regional observer scheme, but no observer was deployed in 2021 by the impact of Covid19.
6.16	Res. 13/04 (8) (2022)	Instances of Cetaceans encircled	9/3/2023 (For PS)	C	C	N/A	N/A	Has no purse seine vessels operating in the IOTC area of competence in 2022.	
6.17	Res 13/05 (7) (2021)	Data on interactions with Whale Sharks	30/6/2022 (All gears)	L	C	L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan submits such data through the regional observer scheme, but no observer was deployed in 2021 by the impact of Covid19.
6.18	Res 13/05 (8) (2022)	Instances Whale Sharks encircled	9/3/2023 (For PS)	C	C	C	C	Received 03.03.23 - Japan reported Not Applicable - CPC does not have PS vessels operating in the IOTC Area of Competence. Resolution applies to CPCs with vessels on the RAV, so taken as nil report and Compliant.	
6.19	Res 18/02 (4) (2021)	Information on actions taken domestically to monitor catches of Blue Shark	20/11/2022 (SC)	C	C	C	C	Information received 16.11.2022. Actions are: Logbook onboard and observers onboard	
6.20	Res 18/05 (9) (2021)	Information on actions taken domestically to monitor catches & manage fisheries of Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin and Indo-pacific Sailfish	20/11/2022 (SC)	C	C	C	C	Report received 16.11.2022. Actions: Fishing logbook on board & Observer on board fishing vessels. IOTC-2022-SC25-NR11: 6.6. Actions taken to monitor catches & manage fisheries for Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin and Indo-pacific Sailfish: Japan has been monitoring marlin catch by logbooks and observ-	

								er program. As marlins are not main target species by Japanese fisheries, the catch level is low especially in recent years (see Table 2a).	
6.21	Res 18/05 (5) (2022)	Prohibition to retain on board, tranship, land, any Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin, Indo-pacific Sailfish smaller than 60 cm Lower Jaw Fork Length	13/2/2023 Since 04/10/2018	C	C	C	C	Legal reference: Appended Table 4 (Re: Article 23) of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963)	
6.22	Res 19/05 (1) (2022)	Retention of target tuna species (YFT/SKJ/ BET) on board	13/2/2023 Since 29/10/2019 (PS)	████████	████████	C	C	Implemented by national legislation. Legal Reference: para.23 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (No. 1703 of August 1, 2022) for operators of large-scale PS fishing vessels.	
6.23	Res 19/05 (2) (2022)	Retention of non target species on board	13/2/2023 Since 29/10/2019 (PS)	████████	████████	C	C	Implemented by national legislation. Legal Reference: para.23 of the Notice of Director General of Resources Management Department of Fisheries Agency (No. 1703 of August 1, 2022) for operators of large-scale PS fishing vessels.	
6.24	Res 19/03 (8) (2021)	Data on interactions with mobulid rays	30/6/2022 (All gears)	████████	████████	L	N/C	No mandatory data provided.	Japan submits such data through the regional observer scheme, but no observer was deployed in 2021 by the impact of Covid19.

7. Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Vessels

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current content	Official observations	CPC remarks
7.1	Res. 18/03 (5 & 18) (2022)	IUU listing	13/2/2023	C	C	C	C	IOTC-2022-S26-R: No vessel listed on IOTC IUU list in 2022.	
7.2	Res. 07/01 (2) (2022)	Compliance by nationals	13/2/2023	C	C	C	C	No nationals on board vessels listed on IOTC IUU list in 2022.	

8. Transhipments

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
8.1	Res. 22/02 (28) (2021)	At sea transhipments – CPC report	Before 15/9/2022	C	C	C	C	Reports received 09.09.2022	
8.2	Res. 22/02 (Annex 1, p.6) (2022) [Annex 2 p7 MDV]	Transhipments in port report	9/3/2023	C	C	C	P/C	Has declared that flag LSTVs have transhipped in port. Has declared: 0 LSTVs having transhipped in foreign ports and 0 quantities transhipped in 2022. e-PSM and Transhipment Declarations data: 2LSTVs have carried out a total of 2TRX in foreign ports. Total quantity transhipped: 148,091 kg. Contradiction on the information provided.	
8.3	Res. 22/02 (8&9) (2022)	List of Authorised carrier vessels	13/2/2023 Since 01/07/2008	C	C	C	C	Last Update 25.08.2022.	
8.4	Res. 22/02 (31) (2022)	Report on results of investigations on possible infractions	15/1/2023	C	C	C	C	Received 13.01.2023. Possible infractions: 4. Response received: 4.	
8.5	Res. 22/02 (Annex 4, p.13) (2022)	Payment ROP fee (Call for fund 03/03/2022)	1/4/2022	NA	NA	C	C	Participating in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea. Call for fund 03 March 2022. Payment received.	

9. Observers [NOT TO BE ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 2021 AT THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE 20]

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
9.1	Res. 11/04 (9) (2021)	Regional Observer Scheme (No. of vessels monitored and coverage by gear type)	9/3/2023	NA	NA	Not assessed	Not Assessed	N/A	
9.2	Res. 11/04 (2) (2021)	5% Mandatory, at sea (All vessels)	13/2/2023 Since 2013	NA	NA	Not assessed	Not Assessed	N/A	
9.3	Res. 11/04 (4) (2021)	5% Artisanal landings	13/2/2023 Since 2013	NA	NA	Not assessed	Not Assessed	N/A	
9.4	Res. 11/04 (11) (2021)	Observer reports	13/2/2023 150 days after trip	NA	NA	Not assessed	Not Assessed	N/A	

10. Statistical document programme

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
10.1	Res. 01/06 (5) (2022)	1st Semester report (2022)	1/10/2022	C	C	C	C	Received 26.09.2022	
10.2	Res. 01/06 (5) (2021)	2nd Semester report (2021)	1/4/2022	C	C	C	C	Received 22.03.2022	
10.3	Res. 01/06 (6) (2021)	Annual report (2021)	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Mandatory report received 06.03.2023.	
10.4	Res. 01/06 (2) (2022)	Information on authorised institutions and personnel	13/2/2023 Since 01/07/2022	C	C	C	C	Last Update: 20/01/2023	

11. Port inspection

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous timeliness	Previous assessment	Current timeliness	Current assessment	Official observations	CPC remarks
11.1	Res. 05/03 (8) (2021)	Port inspection programme : foreign vessels landings	1/7/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port State.	
11.2	Res. 16/11 (5.1 & 19.1a) (2022)	List of designated ports	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2010	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	
11.3	Res. 16/11 (5.1 & 19.1c) (2022)	Designated competent Authority	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2010	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	
11.4	Res. 16/11 (5.1 & 19.1b) (2022)	Prior notification periods	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2010	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	
11.5	Res. 16/11 (13.1) (2022)	Port inspection reports	13/2/2023 3 days after inspection	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	
11.6	Res. 16/11 (10.1) (2022)	At least 5% inspection of LAN / TRX	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	
11.7	Res. 16/11 (7.3) (2022)	Denial of entry in port	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	
11.8	Res. 16/11 (9.3) (2022)	Denial of use of port	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	████████	████████	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	
11.9		Withdrawal of denial of use of port	13/2/2023	████████	████████	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port/coastal State.	

	Res. 16/11 (9.4) (2022)		Since 01/03/2011						
11.1	Res. 16/11 (15.1) (2022)	Report vessel engaged in IUU fishing following an inspection	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	██████████	██████████	N/A	N/A	Not an IOTC port State.	

Current issues on the level of implementation by **Japan** of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures identified for discussion in the CoC20 in 2023

Having reviewed the 2023 Compliance Report for Japan, the Chair of the Compliance Committee has identified the following significant non-compliance issues for discussion.

Repeated compliance issues:

e-Maris CR Ref (1)	Compliance Issue	Current status (2022)	Previous status (2021)
3.6	Has not provided all information related to the List of Authorized vessels > 24 metres, mandatory photographs, as required by Resolution 19/04, missing.	P/C	P/C
5.11	Has not reported size frequency for longline fisheries to IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.	N/C	P/C
6.3	Has not provided catch and effort data on sharks, for all fleets, to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 17/05.	N/C	P/C
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Non-repeated compliance issues:

e-Mar CR Ref (1)	Compliance Issue	Current status (2022)	Previous status (2021)
2.8	Has not transposed into national legislation the prohibition on large-scale driftnets in the IOTC Area, legal reference not provided, as required by Resolution 17/07.	P/C	C
5.4	Has not reported Discards, as required by Resolution 15/02.	N/C	-
5.5	Has reported the zero catches matrix not to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 18/07.	P/C	C
6.4	Has not transposed into national legislation the prohibition on sharks finning, no legal reference provided, as required by Resolution 17/05.	P/C	C
6.10	Has not reported data on interactions with marine turtles, as required by Resolution 12/04.	N/C	C
6.13	Has not provided data on interactions with sea birds, as required by Resolution 12/06.	N/C	C
6.15	Has not reported data on interactions with cetaceans, as required by Resolution 13/04.	N/C	C
6.17	Has not reported data on interactions with whale sharks, as required by Resolution 13/05.	N/C	C

6.24	Has not reported data on interactions with mobulid rays, as required by Resolution 19/03.	N/C	-
8.2	Has provided the transshipments in port reports, not at IOTC standard, missing/conflicting information, as requested by Resolution 22/02.	P/C	C
6.14	Has not fully implemented the sea birds mitigation measures, no legal reference provided, as required Resolution 12/06.	P/C	C
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Repeated compliance issues:	3
Non repeated compliance issues:	11