

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 & 22.02.2023. All sections/questions applicable completed.	
1.3	SC04 (111) (-2021)	National Scientific Report	20/11/2022	C	C	C	C	Received 17.11.2022	
1.4	Commission (S17, 52) (2022)	Response to Feedback letter	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Received 13.09.2022. Had 8 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-2021-CoC18-CR16. Legal Reference: Article 9 (4) of the Licensing Regulation, enacted under article 3 of the Fisheries Law of the Maldives 5/87.	
2.2	Res. 19/04 (18) (2022)	Marking of vessels	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	IOTC-2022-CoC19-CR16. Legal Reference: Article 2 of Maritime Act; Article 3.2 of Maritime Regulation; Article 20 of longline Regulation for IRCS.	
2.3	Res. 19/04 (19.a & b) (-2022)	Marking of gears	9/3/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No fishing vessels have used passive fishing gears: drifting longline and drifting gill net.	
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	Has reported logbook on board.	
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	<u>Update received 01.04.2020:</u> For Competent authority, ATF template and T&C, Official stamp. No update received for 2022. <u>Legal reference:</u> Fisheries Act of the Maldives - Article 36 (a) Issuing of Licenses: Fishing must be undertaken in the maritime zones of the Maldives under a license issued pursuant to this Act and regulation made under this Act.	
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 34 eligible vessels on the Record of Authorised Vessels and 34 with IMO numbers. Has 1036 non-eligible vessels on the Record of Authorised Vessels and reported 857 non-eligible vessels.	
2.7	Res. 15/01 (4) (2022)	Official national fishing logbooks	13/2/2023 Since 15/02//2016	C	C	C	C	Received 19.08.2015 for LL/PoL/Handline. Fishing logbook reported for vessels less than	

								24 metres operating within the EEZ (Res 15/01 para 11).
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	C	Received 14.02.2023. Banned since 1986, by national law. Legal Reference: Fisheries Act of the Maldives.
2.9	Res. 17/07 (6) / PAK: 12/12 (5) (-2022)	MCS actions related to large-scale driftnets in IOTC Area	9/3/2023	NA	NA	C	C	Received: 09.02.2023. MCS actions applicable to Flag & Foreign vessels: Controlling of flag vessels at licensing, Inspection at sea (EEZ) foreign & flag vessels, Inspection in port flag & foreign vessels. Control/ban of large-scale driftnet import & sale. Legal reference: Fisheries Act of the Maldives - Article 27 - Types of Fishing Prohibited in the Maritime Zones of the Maldives(a) Purse seine fishing; (b) Gillnet fishing; (c) Trawl net fishing; (d) Fishing using a net with the exception of bait fishing and fishing for personal consumption.
2.10	Res. 19/02 (21) & 19/04 (19.c) (2022)	Marking of FADs	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2013	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	In 2022 , no purse seine vessels / supply vessels have used FADs
2.11	Res. 19/02 (12) (2023)	FADs management plan	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2013	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	For 2023 no purse seine vessels / supply vessels be registered on the IOTC Record of authorised vessels and fishing on Drifting Fish Aggregating Devices.
2.12	Res. 19/02 (16) (2022)	Progress report on implementation of FADs management plan	13/2/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	In 2022 no purse seine vessels / supply vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels and fishing on Drifting Fish Aggregating Devices. No 2022 FADs management plan was implemented & submitted to the IOTC Secretariat.
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	Banned by Tuna Fishery Regulation (R-139/2022) Art 16 Licensing requirements in App3 (not provided in English nor in French)
2.14	Res. 16/08 (1) (2022)	Prohibition of aircrafts & unmanned aerial vehicles	13/2/2023	C	C	C	C	interdit par les T&C licence côtière et en protocole standard de l'ATF

			Since 27/09/2016						
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.	
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	C	C	C	C	Method for achieving the yellowfin tuna catch reductions is reduction of fishing effort.	
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	Has no purse seiners (PS) and no supply vessel (SP) on the IOTC Record of authorised vessels. Legal Reference: Fisheries Act of the Maldives - Article 27 (a) Types of Fishing Prohibited in the Maritime Zones of the Maldives. The following types of fishing are prohibited in the maritime zones of the Maldives. (a) Purse seine fishing.	
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	No purse seiners (PS) and no supply vessel (SP) on the IOTC Record of authorised vessels in 2022.	
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	N/A	N/A	Not subject to yellowfin catch reduction.	
2.20	Res. 21/01 (21-24) / OMN IDN IRN MDG SOM: 19/01	Gillnet - Report level of implementation of paragraphs 21-23	9/3/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 07.03.2023. No gillnet fishing vessels registered on the IOTC Record of Authorized Vessels in 2022.	

	(20/23) (-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-IR16.	
2.22	Res 11/02 (6) (2022)	Reports observations of damaged data buoys	9/3/2023	C	C	C	C	Received 07.03.2023. 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 law. Legal reference provided: Regulation on Tuna Fishery Management in Maldives (Regulation No. 2022/R-139). Translation into an IOTC official language on-going. Art.16 or Regulation No.2022/R-139 on Licensing Requirements, prohibits fishing within a 1-mile radius of a data buoy.	
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 Regulation on Tuna Fishery Management in Maldives (Regulation No. 2022/R-139). Translation into an IOTC official language on-going. Text of Art.16 or Regulation No.2022/R-139 on Licensing Requirements, prohibits: fishing within a 1-mile radius of a data buoy; tying the vessel or any fishing gear to the data buoy or to the data buoy rope, and; cutting of the data buoy rope and/or causing any damage to a data buoy. Maldives states that the prohibition from taking on board a data buoy is included within the prohibition of causing any damage to a data buoy. The Regulation should be amended to reduce ambiguity and effectively transpose the prohibition.	
2.25	Res. 13/04 (2) (2022)	Prohibition of intentionally setting purse seine net around cetacean	13/2/2023 Since 2013. For PS	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023. Has no PS vessels operating in the IOTC Area of Competence.	
2.26	Res. 13/05 (2) (2022)	Prohibition of intentionally setting purse seine net around whale shark	13/2/2023 Since 2013. For PS	NA	NA	C	C	Banned by Fisheries Act of the Maldives Art 27 & General Fisheries Regulation (No: R-75/2020) Art 17(a)	
2.27			13/2/2023	C	C	C	C		

	Res. 19/03 (2) (2022)	Prohibition of intentionally setting any gear type on mobulid rays	Since 2019. All gears					Banned since 2003. Legal ref : General Fisheries Regulation (2020-R75), Art 17a Appendix 2	
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 09.03.2023. 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	Received 13.02.2023. Has 1070 vessels on the Record of authorised vessels and 736 vessels active 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	Has confirmed there is no charter agreement in 2022.	
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 22.02.2023. Has confirmed there is no charter agreement 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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 22.02.2023. Has confirmed there is no vessel charter nor charter agreement in 2022.	
3.5	Res. 19/07 (6) (2022)	Start, suspension, resumption and termination of the fishing operations of chartering agreement	13/2/2023 Since 2018	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 22.02.2023. Has confirmed there is no vessel charter nor charter agreement 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	C	C	P/C	Last update in 2022 25.12; Had 424 vessels >24m on the record of authorised vessels. Information not provided at IOTC standard; Maldives is regularly updating its Record of Authorised Vessels however there are still some mandatory information <u>missing operator details (61), beneficial owner details (65), company details (65), total volume of fish hold (162), out-dated authorisation period (85), photographs (91).</u>	The Fisheries Information System (FIS) of the Maldives previously did not have an established mechanism to collect the total volume of fish hold of the licensed fishing vessels. We incorporated this function into the FIS in August of 2022 and have been reporting this information to the secretariat in the format specified since then. All other required information of the licensed fishing vessels (i.e., operator details, ben-

									eficial owner details, company details, authorization period and photographs) had been regularly communicated via email to the secretariat. Maldives is also working with the secretariat to remove the vessels that are not in operation from the Record of Authorized Vessels list.
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	C	C	C	P/C	<u>Last update in 2022 25.12</u> ; Had 641 vessels <24m on the Record of Authorised Vessels. Information not provided at IOTC standard; Maldives is regularly updating its Record of Authorised Vessels however there are still some mandatory information missing <u>operator details (317), beneficial owner details (219), company details (292), total volume of fish hold (440), out-dated authorisation period (347), photographs (447).</u>	Maldives do not authorize licensed fishing vessels of any size to operate outside of the Maldivian EEZ and when filling out this segment of Compliance Questionnaire, we had checked the Not Applicable option and provided the legal reference to this requirement. As had been previously reported to the CoC, these vessels (vessels <24m, operating inside the EEZ) are recorded in the Record of Authorized Vessels list due to the requirements from market states.
3.8	Res. 14/05 (1) (2022)	List of foreign vessels licensed in EEZ	15/2/2023 Since 01/07/2006	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023. Does not license foreign flag vessels to fish in the EEZ for species managed by the IOTC in the IOTC area of competence in 2022.	
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	Received 14.02.2023. Does not license foreign flag vessels to fish in the EEZ for species managed by the IOTC in the IOTC area of competence in 2022.	
3.10	Res. 14/05 (3&5) (2022)	Access Agreement information	13/2/2023 Since 26/02/2015	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023. No CPC-CPC agreement in 2022. Does not license foreign flag vessels to fish in the EEZ for species managed by the IOTC in the IOTC area of competence in 2022.	
3.11		Official coastal State fishing License	13/2/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A		

	Res. 14/05 (7,8) (2022)		Since 14/01/2014					Received 14.02.2023. Does not license foreign flag vessels to fish in the EEZ for species managed by the IOTC in the IOTC area of competence in 2022.	
3.12	Res. 21/01 (26) (2022)	List of vessels fishing for yellowfin tuna	15/2/2023	████████	████████	C	C	Received 14/22.02.2023. Has 465 vessels (on the RAV) fishing for yellowfin tuna in the IOTC area of competence in 2022. Reçu 14/22.02.2023. A 465 navires (sur le RNA) pêchant l'albacore dans la zone de compétence de la CTOI en 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	PC	C	C	VMS adopted. 100 % > Coverage > 75 %, 375 vessels, in 2022. Legal Reference: Revised tuna fishery regulation. IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16: The vessel monitoring system continues to be improved by replacing the old units with newer models with additional features. Installation of VMS systems onboard the required 373 vessels is almost complete with less than 40 vessels remaining. The revised tuna fishery regulation now makes it mandatory for the vessels that fit the criterion to install VMS systems.	
4.2	Res. 15/03 (12) (2021)	VMS report on implementation & technical failures	30/6/2022	C	C	C	C	Received 30.06.2022, Has declared 6 technical failures.	
4.3	Res. 15/03 (2) (2021)	VMS implementation plan	13/2/2023 Since 30/04/2016	C	C	N/A	N/A	VMS adopted & 100 % > Coverage > 75 %.	

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	L	C	C	P/C	Received 29.06.2022; Data partially provided by IOTC standards; Billfish species aggregated.	
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	L	C	C	C	Received 29.06.2022; Data provided by IOTC standards.	
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	-	-	N/A	N/A	No LL fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2021.	
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 information provided.	
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	C	Received 29.06.2022; Data provided by IOTC standards.	

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	C	PC	C	P/C	Received 29.06.2022; Data partially provided by IOTC standards; Billfish species aggregated.	With current logbook reporting for HL and TLME all Billfish fish species are recorded as a single record. Hence, we do not have species level disaggregated data for Billfish species. However, in the zero catch Matrix we have indicated that all species of Billfish as positive catch. This is based on our sampling data of Billfish landing as we have observed landing of all species of Billfish.
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	C	PC	C	C	Received 29.06.2022; Data provided by IOTC standards.	
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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No LL fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2021.	

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	C	PC	C	P/C	Received 29.06.2022; Data partially provided by IOTC standards; Less than 1 fish measured per metric tonne for some species/fisheries.	Maldives implements a size sampling program at key commercial landing sites that are operated by the major fish processors and exporters in the country. Additionally, scientific observers also contribute data from observer trips and visits to landing sites. Despite these efforts, it is difficult to achieve the required sampling effort of 1 fish/ton and other data stratification that is required by the resolution. Maldives is striving to improve sampling cov-
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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	C	PC	C	P/C	Received 29.06.2022; Data partially provided by IOTC standards; Less than 1 fish measured per metric tonne for some species/fisheries.	Maldives implements a size sampling program at key commercial landing sites that are operated by the major fish processors and exporters in the country. Additionally, scientific observers also contribute data from observer trips and visits to landing sites. Despite these efforts, it is difficult to achieve the required sampling effort of 1 fish/ton and other data stratification that is required by the resolution. Maldives is striving to improve sampling coverage by increasing sampler numbers and sites.
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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No LL fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2021.	

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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No supply vessels 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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No supply vessels on the IOTC Record of Fishing Vessels in 2021.	
5.14		FADs set by type	30/6/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A		

	Res. 15/02 (1 to 7), 18/05 (8), 18/07 (4), 19/02 (4, 22 & 24) (2021)							No supply/purse seine vessels 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/purse seine vessels 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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No information provided. IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16: Maldives imposes a fishery ban on sharks and therefore does not retain sharks caught in any of the fisheries. All shark species are protected under the R-75/2020 General Fisheries Regulation which was enacted in 2020. Harvesting, retaining on-board, storing on-board, transshipping, transporting to a landing facility or landing any of the species protected under the General Fisheries Regulation is prohibited.	
6.2	Res. 17/05 (6) (2021)	Sharks catch & effort data	30/6/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No information provided. IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16: Maldives imposes a fishery ban on sharks and therefore does not retain sharks caught in any of the fisheries. All shark species are protected under the R-75/2020 General Fisheries Regulation which was enacted in 2020. Harvesting, retaining on-board, storing on-board, transshipping, transporting to a landing facility or landing any of the species protected under the General Fisheries Regulation is prohibited.	
6.3	Res. 17/05 (6) (2021)	Sharks size frequency data	30/6/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No information provided. IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16: Maldives imposes a fishery ban on sharks and therefore does not retain sharks caught in any of the fisheries. All shark species are protected under the R-75/2020 General Fisheries Regulation which was enacted in 2020. Harvesting, retaining on-board, storing on-board, transshipping, transporting to a landing facility or landing any of the species protected under the General Fisheries Regulation is prohibited.	
6.4	Res. 17/05 (3) (2022)	Prohibition on sharks finning	13/2/2023 Since 03/10/2017	C	C	C	C	Received 14.02.2023. Banned by national law. Legal Reference: General Fisheries Regulation (No: R-75/2020)	

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	Banned since 2010. Legal ref : General Fisheries Regulation (2020-R75) Art. 17(a) and Appendix 2
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	Banned since 2010. Legal ref : General Fisheries Regulation (2020-R75) Art. 17a & Appendix 2, and the terms and conditions of authorisation (of 01.04.2020)
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	Banned since 2010. Legal ref : General Fisheries Regulation (2020-R75) Art. 17(a) and Appendix 2
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	Legal ref : General Fisheries Regulation (2020-R75) Art. 17(a) and Appendix 2. No reference to the live release handling procedures in Annex 1 of IOTC Resolution 19/03 that shall be implemented and followed in accordance with para. 5 of the Resolution.
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 09.03.2023. Report on progress on implementation of the Resolution 12/04 and also the FAO guideline fully completed for all applicable sections.
6.10	Res. 12/04 (3) (2021)	Data on interactions with marine turtles	30/6/2022 Since 29/10/2019	C	C	C	C	Received 22.11.2022; IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16; Data provided by IOTC standards.
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	N/A	N/A	No LL operating in the IOTC AoC in 2022
6.12	Res. 12/04 (9) (2022)	Purse seiners carry & employ dip nets on board	13/2/2023 Since 06/08/2009	NA	NA	C	C	Prohibited by Fisheries Act of the Maldives Art. 27(a). No purse seine vessel on the IOTC Record of authorised Vessels or active
6.13	Res. 12/06 (1 & 2) (2021)	Data on seabirds interactions	30/6/2022 Since 06/08/2009	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	No LL fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2021.

6.14	Res. 12/06 (5) (2022)	Implementation of mitigation measures south of 25°S	13/2/2023 Since 01/11/2010	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Has no longline vessels active since 2019.
6.15	Res. 13/04 (7) (2021)	Data on interactions with Cetaceans	30/6/2022 (All gears)	C	C	C	C	Received 22.11.2022; Exempted from reporting to IOTC, have national legislation for protecting cetaceans. IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16: Nil report, all whales and dolphins are protected by law in the Maldives and their interactions with the fisheries are minimal. No legal reference provided.
6.16	Res. 13/04 (8) (2022)	Instances of Cetaceans encircled	9/3/2023 (For PS)	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	In 2022 no purse seine fishing vessels operating in the IOTC Area of Competence.
6.17	Res 13/05 (7) (2021)	Data on interactions with Whale Sharks	30/6/2022 (All gears)	C	C	C	C	Received 22.11.2022; Exempted from reporting to IOTC, have national legislation for protecting Whale sharks. IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16: Nil report, Whale sharks are protected in the Maldives. None of fisheries of the Maldives are known to harm the whale sharks. No legal reference provided.
6.18	Res 13/05 (8) (2022)	Instances Whale Sharks encircled	9/3/2023 (For PS)	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	In 2022 no purse seine fishing vessels operating in the IOTC Area of Competence.
6.19	Res 18/02 (4) (2021)	Information on actions taken domestically to monitor catches of Blue Shark	20/11/2022 (SC)	C	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 17.11.2022. Has declared in NR: Shark fishing is prohibited in Maldives waters (the entire EEZ). The ban is effective from May 2010. The new fishery regulation (2020/R-75) prohibits intentional catch, harming and removal of sharks, among others from Maldives waters and by Maldivian flagged vessels operating on the high seas. The longline fishery which had bycatch of blue sharks has been suspended since June 2019. 5.1.3. Blue shark: The pole-and-line, handline and trolling fisheries for tuna and tuna-like species do not catch blue sharks. The longline fishery that had shark bycatch was suspended in June 2019. Since none of the current gears catch blue sharks, the paragraph 4 of Resolution 18/02 that requires CPCs to monitor the blue shark catches does not apply to Maldives.

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	IOTC-2022-SC25-NR16 Received 17.11.2022. Action: logbook on-board. 6.1. Logbook data collection and verification: Logbooks were introduced to the tuna fisheries in 2010 and refined twice, with the most recent revision in 2012 and the revised logbooks being introduced in January 2013. Reef fishing logbooks have been introduced and are being enforced slowly. Although not reef associated species, the logbook has provisions to report billfish catch and effort. 6.8. Actions taken to monitor catches and manage fisheries for Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin and Indo-Pacific Sailfish: The Maldives Billfish Fishery Management Plan published in 2020 include provisions to manage billfish fishery including measures related to data collection and monitoring all billfish species.	
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	Prohibited by Tuna Fishery Regulation (R-139/2022) Article 17 - Licensing Requirements Specified in Appendix 3 Regulation in local language, and in the Conditions of fishing licence para. 11	
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)	████████	████████	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023. Has no PS vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels.	
6.23	Res 19/05 (2) (2022)	Retention of non target species on board	13/2/2023 Since 29/10/2019 (PS)	████████	████████	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023. Has no PS vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels.	
6.24	Res 19/03 (8) (2021)	Data on interactions with mobulid rays	30/6/2022 (All gears)	████████	████████	C	C	Received 29.06.2022; Nil report.	

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 & IOTC IUU Vessels List_20220526(E+F): 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	IOTC IUU Vessels List_20220526(E+F): 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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023. Not participated in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea in 2021.	
8.2	Res. 22/02 (Annex 1, p.6) (2022) [Annex 2 p7 MDV]	Transhipments in port report	9/3/2023	NA	NA	C	C	Received 09.03.2023. From the report: 16 collector vessels, 443 pole & line vessels, 36,913,270 Kgs of tuna transhipped.	
8.3	Res. 22/02 (8&9) (2022)	List of Authorised carrier vessels	13/2/2023 Since 01/07/2008	NA	NA	C	C	Last update 06.10.2022. All mandatory information provided.	
8.4	Res. 22/02 (31) (2022)	Report on results of investigations on possible infractions	15/1/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Not participating in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea. Does not have LSTLVs on the Record of authorised vessels.	
8.5	Res. 22/02 (Annex 4, p.13) (2022)	Payment ROP fee (Call for fund 03/03/2022)	1/4/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Has not participated in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea in 2022. No LSTLV on the IOTC Record of Authorized Vessel in 2022.	

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	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023. Has declared: did not import bigeye tunas during the 1st semester 2022.	
10.2	Res. 01/06 (5) (2021)	2nd Semester report (2021)	1/4/2022	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 14.02.2023: Has declared: did not import bigeye tunas during the 2nd semester 2021.	
10.3	Res. 01/06 (6) (2021)	Annual report (2021)	9/3/2023	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	Received 07.03.2023. Did not export/re-export frozen bigeye tunas & no large scale longline vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2021.	
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 16.12.2021.	

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	Received 30.06.2022. No landing of FFV in 2021.	
11.2	Res. 16/11 (5.1 & 19.1a) (2022)	List of designated ports	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2010	C	C	C	C	Updated on 20.09.2017. Has designated 7 ports:Felivaru, Funaddoo, Hoadedhdhoo, Kooddoo, Maandhoo, Male, Maradhoo; Competente Authority: Ministry of Fisheries and Agriculture; Period Advance Notice: 72H. No update for 2022. e-PSM: 5 ports received AREP from foreign carrier vessels.	
11.3	Res. 16/11 (5.1 & 19.1c) (2022)	Designated competent Authority	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2010	C	C	C	C	Updated on 20.09.2017. Has designated 7 ports:Felivaru, Funaddoo, Hoadedhdhoo, Kooddoo, Maandhoo, Male, Maradhoo; Competente Authority: Ministry of Fisheries and Agriculture; Period Advance Notice: 72H. No update for 2022. e-PSM: 5 ports received AREP from foreign carrier vessels.	
11.4	Res. 16/11 (5.1 & 19.1b) (2022)	Prior notification periods	13/2/2023 Since 31/12/2010	C	C	C	C	Updated on 20.09.2017. Has designated 7 ports:Felivaru, Funaddoo, Hoadedhdhoo, Kooddoo, Maandhoo, Male, Maradhoo; Competente Authority: Ministry of Fisheries and Agriculture; Period Advance Notice: 72H. No update for 2022. e-PSM: 5 ports received AREP from foreign carrier vessels.	
11.5	Res. 16/11 (13.1) (2022)	Port inspection reports	13/2/2023 3 days after inspection	C	PC	C	C	Received 14-22.02.2023: Has declared for 2022: 11 CV port calls (0 for LAN/TRX), no denial of entry in port, no denial of use of port, 2 foreign CV vessels inspected, inspection reports: 2 submitted by e-PSM. LAN/TRX monitored 0. e-PSM data: 34 port calls (THA, PAN), 0 for LAN/TRX), 2 inspection report submitted by e-PSM. IOTC-2022-CoC19-CR16, Has declared: all foreign vessels reported are carrier vessels	

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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	Received 14-22.02.2023: Has declared for 2022: 11 CV port calls (0 for LAN/TRX), no denial of entry in port, no denial of use of port, 2 foreign CV vessels inspected, inspection reports: 2 submitted by e-PSM. LAN/TRX monitored 0. e-PSM data: 34 port calls (THA, PAN), 0 for LAN/TRX), 2 inspection reports submitted by e-PSM. IOTC-2022-CoC19-CR16, Has declared: all foreign vessels reported are carrier vessels and loaded fish that has been already landed into authorised fish landing. CV Calls for loading purpose. Using e-PSM.
11.7	Res. 16/11 (7.3) (2022)	Denial of entry in port	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	C	C	C	C	Received 14.02.2023: Has declared: no denial of entry, no denial of use, no withdrawal of denial of use of port in 2022. e-PSM data: 34 port calls.
11.8	Res. 16/11 (9.3) (2022)	Denial of use of port	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	████████	████████	C	C	Received 14.02.2023: Has declared: no denial of entry, no denial of use, no withdrawal of denial of use of port in 2022. e-PSM data: 34 port calls.
11.9	Res. 16/11 (9.4) (2022)	Withdrawal of denial of use of port	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	████████	████████	C	C	Received 14.02.2023: Has declared: no denial of entry, no denial of use, no withdrawal of denial of use of port in 2022. e-PSM data: 34 port calls.
11.10	Res. 16/11 (15.1) (2022)	Report vessel engaged in IUU fishing following an inspection	13/2/2023 Since 01/03/2011	████████	████████	C	C	Received 14.02.2023. Nil report - Had port calls, has inspected vessels, has declared no clear grounds for believing that vessel has engaged in IUU fishing/fishing related activities following an inspection in port in 2022.

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

Having reviewed the 2023 Compliance Report for Maldives, 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)
5.6	Has not reported catch and effort for coastal fisheries to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.	P/C	P/C
5.9	Has not reported size frequency for coastal fisheries to IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.	P/C	P/C
5.10	Has not reported size frequency for surface fisheries to IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.	P/C	P/C
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Non-repeated compliance issues:

e-Mar 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 meters, mandatory information missing (operator details, beneficial owner details, company details, total volume of fish hold, out-dated authorisation period, photographs), not at IOTC standard, missing information, as required by Resolution 19/04.	P/C	C
3.7	Has not provided all information related to the List of Authorized vessels below 24 meters, mandatory information missing (operator details, beneficial owner details, company details, total volume of fish hold, out-dated authorisation period, photographs), not at IOTC standard, missing information, as required by Resolution 19/04.	P/C	C
5.1	Has not reported nominal catch for coastal fisheries to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.	P/C	C
5.4	Has not reported Discards, as required by Resolution 15/02.	N/C	-
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Repeated compliance issues:	3
Non repeated compliance issues:	4