



IOTC-2024-CoC21-FL05[E]-EUR

Annex: Compliance issues from CoC20.

CPC: European Union	Responses/clarifications
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has reported the zero catches matrix not to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 18/07. • Has not reported catch and effort for coastal fisheries to IOTC standard, data not provided for all the fleet strata, as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported nominal catch for longline fisheries to IOTC standard some fleet missing, as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported discard data, data provided inconsistent with data submitted in RC and DR forms; Data not provided for EU-ITA and EU-PRT fleets, as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported for Surface fisheries to IOTC standard, data not provided for all the species/fleet strata (EU-ESP PS fisheries), as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported catch & effort for longline fisheries to IOTC standard some fleet missing, Data not provided for all the species/fleet strata (EU-ESP and EU-PRT), as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported size frequency for longline fisheries to IOTC standard some fleet missing, Less than 1 fish per metric T for most reported species; SF data not provided by EU-PRT, as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported size frequency for surface fisheries to IOTC standard some fleet missing, Less than 1 fish per metric T for most reported species; as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported size frequency for coastal fisheries to IOTC standard some fleet missing, Less than 1 fish per metric T for most reported species; as required by Resolution 15/02. • Has not reported shark NC to IOTC standard, some fleet strata missing, as required by Resolution 17/05. • Has not reported shark CE to IOTC standard, some fleet strata missing, as required by Resolution 17/05. • Has not reported shark SF to IOTC standard, some fleet strata missing, as required by Resolution 17/05. • Has not reported Number of active FAD to IOTC standard some fleet missing, received with a cumulative delay of 53 days over the months of Jan-Oct 2022; Data provided by IOTC standards; 43 instances of excess of the daily limit of 300 buoys for EU-FRA.; as required by Resolution 19/02. 	<p>The EU appreciates that the IOTC secretariat carries out such a detailed analysis of the reported data.</p> <p>We are working on retrieving all missing data. The EU will contact the IOTC Secretariat to identify missing, incorrect or incomplete datasets, and then work with national administrations to submit revisions.</p> <p>As this is a recurring issue, the European Commission organises regular meetings with Member States and EU scientists to identify data transmission failure, their origin and potential solutions.</p> <p>Follow-up actions identified in the 2023 Compliance Report have been implemented. <i>(In order to ensure that technical difficulties will not lead to an excess of the daily limit of buoys, two follow-up actions were taken by the flag state: 1) In complement to the 280 buoy security threshold already put in place, the activation of buoys in excess of the 280 threshold will be closely monitored 2) 3-BU forms will be prepared and analysed sooner than the 30-90 days delay)</i></p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has provided the mandatory report, implementation report, some sections not completed, as required by the Commission. 	<p>We have identified the issue during the last year's compliance process. This resulted in a recommendation of the commission (IOTC-2023-CoC20-RE, para 108). As a result, the EU is compliant with the obligation this year.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has not implemented the catch limit, Nominal catch of YFT, as required by Resolution 21/01. 	<p>The elements indicated in our 2023 CR remain valid. The EU catch limit for YFT was reduced for the years 2022 and 2023. In 2022, the EU has correctly implemented the catch limits communicated by the IOTC Secretariat. With the deduction to the EU catch limit for 2023, the overfishing should be corrected and the catch limit implemented in accordance with CMM 21/01.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has not reported data on interactions with marine turtles at IOTC standard, Data not provided for all the fleet strata, as required by Resolution 12/04. 	<p>The EU appreciates that the IOTC secretariat carries out such a detailed analysis of the reported data.</p> <p>We are working on retrieving all missing data. The EU will contact the IOTC Secretariat to identify missing, incorrect or incomplete datasets, and then work with national administrations to submit revisions.</p> <p>As this is a recurring issue, the European Commission organises regular meetings with Member States and EU scientists to identify data transmission failure, their origin and potential solutions.</p> <p>In addition, one fleet could not resume its observer programme in 2022 and therefore the data collected by the observer are not available for that year. The programme has restarted in 2023.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has not reported data on interactions with mobulid rays at IOTC standard, missing/conflicting information, as required by Resolution 19/03. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has not reported data on interactions with seabirds at IOTC standard, Data not provided for all the fleet strata, as required by Resolution 12/06. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has not reported data on interactions with cetaceans at IOTC standard, data not provided for all the fleet strata and some discrepancies found between mandatory statistical data and NR reported by EU-FRA, as required by Resolution 13/04. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has not reported data on interactions with whale sharks at IOTC standard, data not provided for all the fleet strata and some discrepancies found between mandatory statistical data and NR reported by EU-FRA, as required by Resolution 13/05. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Has not reported data on transshipment in port at IOTC standard, no information provided for EU-PRT. e-PSM shows port entries for TRX purpose for 2 Portuguese vessels., as required by Resolution 22/02. 	<p>The two mentioned transshipments were misreported landings from the port authority of the country in which the operations took place.</p> <p>The reports have been transmitted to the IOTC Secretariat on 14.04.23.</p>