



IOTC-2025-CoC22-sCR01(Summary)-Australia [E]

2025 **Summary** Compliance Report for: Australia

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Notes:

Requirements that do not apply to the CPC (by exclusion) are not included in the PDF version of this report.

Acronyms and definitions can be consulted [on the last page](#) of the Compliance Report.

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Pre-vious status	Cur-rent status	Observations	CPC remarks	CPC Follow-up and/or Remedial actions/CoC-COM Rec(s)
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1. Implementation obligations

2. Management Standards

3. Reporting on Vessels

4. Vessel Monitoring System

5. Mandatory statistical requirement – Flag State CPCs

5.4	Res 15/02 (1/2/3)	Catch discarded – IOTC species, sharks, turtles,	30/6/2024	C	P/C	Received: 28.06.2024. STD: No. Not provided by IOTC standards, missing information on discard data from	In reference to purse seine fisheries, Australia's purse seine fishery is for southern bluefin	-
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	13/04 17/05 (6) 18/02 (3) 18/05 (8) 12/04 (1) 23/07 (1/2) 13/02 (7) (2023)	seabirds, cetaceans, whale sharks, mob- ulids - All fisheries				coastal and purse seine fisheries. Data for the purse seine fisheries are only reported to CCSBT. The Secretariat will liaise with Australia to see how this information could also be reported to the IOTC Secretariat.	tuna. catch, effort and discard data is reported to the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna and not the IOTC. Please remove from the reference to purse seine fisheries in the observations. We accept the P/C in reference to coastal fisheries and continue to work with the relevant fisheries jurisdiction in Australia to consider Australia's potential provision of this information in the future.	-
5.6	Res 15/02 (1, 5) (2023)	Size Frequen- cies Geo-referenced – Coastal/sur- face/longline fish- eries	30/6/2024	-/-	P/C	STD: NO - Size-frequency (SF) data not provided for coastal fisheries due to very low catches; SF for industrial fisheries only provided for species with more than 1 metric tonne of catch.	In reference to SF for industrial fisheries, our interpretation of the measure is that SF samples for a particular species are not required to be provided when catch is less than 1 metric tonne. Please remove from the reference to SF for industrial fisheries from the observation. We accept the P/C in reference to coastal fisheries and continue to work with the relevant fisheries jurisdiction in Australia to consider Australia's potential provision of this information in the future.	-

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

7. Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Vessels

8. Transshipments

9. Observers

10. Statistical document programme

11. Port inspection

11.3	Res. 16/11	Inspection report & Report vessels en- gaged IUU fishing	23/1/2025 (Since 2010)	C	P/C	LEG: N/A. STD: NO - Has provided the PIR via e-mail and not by e-PSM. Information not provided in the	Australia undertook one IOTC port inspection of a foreign flagged fishing vessel in 2024 and the in- spection report was transmitted via email to the IOTC	-
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	(13.1,15.1) (2024)	following port inspection			agreed format/IOTC standard. Call in port: 2 ; Foreign vessel inspected: 1 ; LAN/TRX monitored: 0. One PIRs provided. SP : N/A.	Secretariat and Flag State. No IOTC port inspections of foreign flagged fishing vessels occurred in 2022 or 2023. We understand eMaris includes use of the ePSM system as part of the assessment criteria and that the Commission endorsed a recommendation from the Compliance Committee to mandate the use of the ePSM system. However, resolution 16/11 has not yet been updated to reflect the obligation to use the ePSM system and until the measure is updated Australia does not believe a CPC's compliance status should be effected if they haven't used the ePSM system.	
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Pursuant to Annex A of Appendix V, of the Rules of Procedure (2023), for all requirements assessed as N/C2, the concerned CPCs “*shall submit, within 3 months from the end of the Commission annual session, a detailed plan and timeline on how it intends to address the non-compliance of category 2 identified*”. The deadline for submission was the 17 August 2024.

The non-compliance of category 2 identified (N/C2) at the previous session of the Compliance Committee (CoC21), were for Australia :

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The Compliance Action Plan was :

Not required/applicable - Action proposed by Australia during the CoC

If the submission of the Compliance Action Plan was required/applicable, the date of reception was :

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Summary of Australia 2025 compliance assessment (CoC22)

Compliant (C)	Partially Compliant (PC)	Non-compliant category 1 (NC1)	Non-compliant category 2 (NC2)	Not Applicable (NA)	Capacity building in progress (CB)	Compliance Rate (%)
48	3	0	0	35	0	94.1

Current issues on the level of implementation by Australia of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures identified for discussion in the CoC22 in 2025

Having reviewed the 2025 Draft Compliance Report for Australia, the Chair of the Compliance Committee has identified the following significant repeated non-compliance issues for discussion.

Repeated non-compliance issues

Requirement	Information required	Observations	Previous status (2024)	Current status (2025)

Note: if the table above is empty, it means there were no repeated compliance issues identified this year.

Reading instructions

(1) Information is to be provided in the Report of Implementation

(2) 24 meters overall length and over, and under 24 meters if they fished outside their EEZ

(Year) = year reporting on/year assessed.

LEG: Legislation - Transposition of Commission decisions, Legislation or administrative orders.

STD : Standard - Reporting format, IOTC standard

SP: System or procedures - Provision of information on system or procedures a) to monitor and ensure compliance of vessels and persons OR b) to prepare and submit information, data, report to the Commission.

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Assessment

Compliance

- C: Compliant
- C/B: Capacity building
- N/A: Not applicable
- N/C1: Not compliant 1
- N/C2: Not compliant 2
- P/C: Partially compliant

CoC/Commission recommendations

- **Additional info or address the issue:** Provide additional information or address the compliance issue within a given period of time, and at the latest before the following annual meeting.
- **Actions proposed by the CPC:** Actions proposed by the CPC and endorsed by the Commission.
- **Investigation by the CPC:** Completion of an investigation by the CPC regarding a compliance issue and reporting back to the Compliance Committee, where required.
- **Enhanced monitoring of fleet:** Enhanced monitoring of the fleet.
- **Amendments to national rules:** Amendments to domestic procedures, legislation or policy including penalties, where required.
- **Detailed plan and timeline:** Submit, within 3 months from the end of the Commission annual session, a detailed plan and timeline on how it intends to address the non-compliance of category 2 identified.
- **Capacity building or assistance:** Provision of capacity building or technical assistance for a specified amount of time.
- **Other remedies:** Other remedies.

“Missing” values:

- “-/-”: no possible value (e.g.: no previous assessment possible because this is the first campaign in which the requirement is assessed);
- “None”: no value provided by the Secretariat (e.g. requirement assessed as Compliant, no text provided in “Observations”);
- “Not assessed”: for timeliness and compliance when no assessment has been made yet or the requirement is not assessable;
- “-”: no information provided by the CPC for this question (e.g. nothing entered in a text entry field, no boxes checked...);
- “Not Submitted”: the value will only be available after submission of the report (e.g. the “Report date”).