

IOTC-2025-S29-fCR12 (Final)-Korea [E]

2025 **Final** Compliance Report for: Korea

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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	Current 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

3.6	Res. 19/04 (3) (2024)	List of Authorized vessels	23/1/2025	P/C	LEG: N/A. STD: NO - Information not provided at IOTC standard R19/04 (3); mandatory information missing [Fish Hold Volume, Photographs star-board side; Photographs portside ; Photographs bow]. SP : N/A.	-	Other remedies Missing Information to be provided
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4. Vessel Monitoring System

5. Mandatory statistical requirement – Flag State CPCs

5.1	Res 18/07 (4) (2023)	Nominal catches / Zero Catch Ma- trix – All Fisheries (Species presence in the catch)	30/6/2024	P/C	Received: 30.06.2024. STD: NO - Not aligned with 1DI information, nil for ALV & SMA in 1DR.	-	Other remedies Korea has already submitted data on 'Nominal catch' by the Form 1RC and 'Zero catch matrix'. If necessary, we will supplement the data reporting form of the previously submitted data and resubmit it.
5.6	Res 15/02 (1, 5) (2023)	Size Frequen- cies Geo-refer- enced – Coastal/sur- face/longline fish- eries	30/6/2024	N/C2	STD: NO - Data NOT provided by IOTC standards, in two or more consecutive years. Less than 1 fish per metric tonne for some species.	-	Other remedies We consistently educate and remind the crews to ad- here to the standard.
5.7	Res 19/02 (22) 24/02 (45) (2023)	Drifting floating ob- jects (DFOB) related activities (FADs set by type)	30/6/2024	P/C	STD: NO - Data on DFAD activities NOT provided by IOTC standards; missing catch and species.	-	Other remedies Korea has already submitted data on 'DFOB' by the Form 3FA. If necessary, we will supplement the data reporting form of the previously submitted data and resubmit it.

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

7. Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Vessels

8. Transshipments

8.4	Res 24/05 (8, 9) (2024)	List Authorised carrier vessels	23/1/2025	P/C	LEG: N/A. STD: NO - some mandatory information miss- ing (carrying capacity and photographs) for five Korean carrier vessels (SEIN KASAMA, SEIN PHOENIX, SEIN QUEEN, SEIN SKY and SEIN VENUS) SP : N/A.	-	Additional info or address the issue Missing info provided on emaris
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9. Observers

9.2	Res. 22/04	5% Observer cover- age mandatory at sea (all vessels)	17/11/2024	P/C	LEG: YES - Distant Water Fisheries Act, Article 13	-	Other remedies
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	(3) (2023)				STD: NO - Mandatory coverage not achieved for all fleet segments; purse seine fishery. SP: YES - Provided & described for i) ii) iii).		One observer depoloyed in 2022 and 2023 and he provided one report for the one trip that took place from 2022 to 2023 , which was already submitted to the Sec. . Korea is now seperating the report into two for 2022 and 2023 respectiely.as requested by the Sec.
9.4	Res. 22/04 (18) (2023)	At sea observer reports	17/11/2024	P/C	STD: NO - Mandatory observer reports NOT provided in the agreed format.	-	Other remedies One observer depoloyed in 2022 and 2023 and he provided one report for the one trip that took place from 2022 to 2023, which was already submitted to the Sec. . Korea is now seperating the report into two for 2022 and 2023 respectiely.as requested by the Sec.

10. Statistical document programme

11. Port inspection

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 Korea :

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The Compliance Action Plan was :

Received by the deadline

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

14-08-2024

Summary of Korea 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 (%)
54	6	0	1	25	0	88.5

Current issues on the level of implementation by Korea of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures identified at CoC22 in 2025

Having reviewed the 2025 Provisional Compliance Report for Korea, the Commission has identified the following significant repeated non-compliance issues and capacity building activities.

Repeated non-compliance issues

Requirement	Information required	Observations	Previous status (2024)	Current status (2025)
3.6	List of Authorized vessels	LEG: N/A. STD: NO - Information not provided at IOTC standard R19/04 (3); mandatory information missing [Fish Hold Volume, Photographs starboard side; Photographs portside ; Photographs bow]. SP : N/A.	P/C	P/C
9.2	5% Observer coverage mandatory at sea (all vessels)	LEG: YES - Distant Water Fisheries Act, Article 13 STD: NO - Mandatory coverage not achieved for all fleet segments; purse seine fishery. SP: YES - Provided & described for i) ii) iii).	P/C	P/C
9.4	At sea observer reports	STD: NO - Mandatory observer reports NOT provided in the agreed format.	P/C	P/C

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

Comments by the Compliance Committee or Commission

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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.

i) ii) iii) = a) b) c)

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”).