

IOTC Agreement – Article X

Report of Implementation for the year 2025 (CoC23)

Deadline for submission: 12/3/2026

READING NOTES:

- This report is composed of 4 sections reporting on the implementation of IOTC Resolutions.
- Answers provided by CPCs are presented in **blue text**.
- A red dash ("-") indicates that no answer was provided.
- Sections in **light grey** are for requirements that do not apply to your CPC.

All sections applicable of the Implementation Report (IR) must be completed.

Consult the Assessment criteria at the end of the Implementation report (For C, P/C, NC1, NC2).

Reporting CPC: Japan

Date of submission: 12 March 2026 - 08:11

You can consult your previous Implementation Report for CoC 22 in e-MARIS Campaign CoC22 Assessment, by [clicking here](#).

Notes:

- All dates in the Implementation report are in the format => dd/mm/yyyy

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PART A – Actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement CMMs adopted by the Commission

A.1 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/01 On climate change as it relates to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission](#)



Does not require action

A.2 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/02 On the vessel monitoring system \(VMS\) programme](#)



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Resolution 25/02 On the vessel monitoring system \(VMS\) programme](#) adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

All requirements set out in Resolution 25/02 has been ensured under national legislation and has been fully implemented.

Requirement number: 4.1 - Information required: Adoption of VMS for all vessels ≥ 24 m and < 24 m fishing on the high seas / VMS report on implementation and technical failures - Deadline: 30/6/2025

Requirement submitted ? true the 30 June 2025 - 09:27 // Compliance assessment : C

1. A system or procedures exist to monitor and to ensure compliance with the obligation for vessels/persons to install & operate a satellite-based vessel monitoring system (VMS)

- NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC does not have vessel on the IOTC Record of authorised vessels in 2024
- NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC has only an artisanal/coastal fleet < 24m fishing exclusively in the EEZ in 2024
- NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to implement this binding reporting measure
- YES - CPC has systems AND procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements
- YES - CPC has ONLY systems to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements
- YES - CPC has ONLY procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements

a. System or procedures to monitor compliance with IOTC binding measure are :

IOTC binding measures, for vessels/persons, monitored and controlled by government fisheries administration with institutional procedures implemented

The FisheryAct, Article 52.2 stipulates this obligation. The Fisheries Agency of Japan monitors the compliance

b. System or procedures to respond to instances of non-compliance are :

Established in national law implemented by Government

If the Fisheries Agency of Japan finds a potential non-compliance, it will conduct investigations and take appropriate actions in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations.

c. Actions in relation to potential infringements are :

Other sanctions (specify below)

The Fisheries Agency of Japan will instruct the vessel owner/operator to comply with this measure.

d. Enter any comments/remarks about your submission and the implementation of system and procedures:

NONE



Upload - Any documents on system/procedures:

Part I - Adoption VMS for all vessels ≥ 24 m and < 24 m fishing high seas

2. The national satellite-based vessel monitoring system has been adopted by law

NO - Not adopted by law. Yes – Adopted by law.

Date of adoption:

15-12-1949

Part II - Report on the progress of implementation of VMS

3. VMS Reporting - Report on the progress of implementation and technical failures - VMS report completed and submitted?

YES - Report submitted and data provided below

NO - NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC does not have vessel on the IOTC Record of authorised vessels in 2024

NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC has only an artisanal/coastal fleet < 24 m fishing exclusively in the EEZ in 2024

4. Number of vessels above 24 metres in length overall equipped with a satellite-based vessel monitoring device:

162

5. Number of vessels of less than 24 metres in length overall, operating outside the EEZ, equipped with a satellite-based vessel monitoring device:

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6. A national Fisheries Monitoring Centre (FMC) exists:

YES - In our premise YES - Into a third-party Cloud Provider NO - NO VMS-FMC

Part III - Report on VMS technical failures

7. Technical failures :

NO - No technical failures in 2024

YES - Technical failures in 2024:

Indicate the total number of technical failures?

0

8. Legal Obligation



Upload the national legislation with provision of requirements/obligation under Resolution 15/03 :

a. Enter the reference of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

Fishery Act

b. Provide the text of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

Fishery Act Article 52 (2)

c. Comments/remarks about your submission and the implementation of this requirement:

<https://www.rioeselawtranslation.go.jp/>

A.3 - Actions taken to implement Resolution 25/03 On establishing catch limits for skipjack tuna in the IOTC area of competence



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

Resolution 25/03 On establishing catch limits for skipjack tuna in the IOTC area of competence

adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

No fishing access agreements have been concluded. Japan also reports that the required scientific data were duly submitted. In addition, the newly established catch limit has been incorporated into Japan's domestic management framework and has been appropriately implemented.

A.4 - Actions taken to implement Resolution 25/04 On establishing catch limits for bigeye tuna in the IOTC area of competence



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

Resolution 25/04 On establishing catch limits for bigeye tuna in the IOTC area of competence

adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

No fishing access agreements have been concluded. Japan also reports that the required scientific data were duly submitted. In addition, the newly established catch limit has been incorporated into Japan's domestic management framework and has been appropriately implemented.

1. Did you implement the obligation bigeye tuna catch limit ?

NO - Not implemented YES - Implemented

2. A system or procedures exist to monitor and to ensure compliance of persons/flagged vessels with the Catch Limits for Bigeye Tuna in the Area of IOTC Competence :

NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND NO action in relation to potential infringements.

YES - CPC has system / procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements

a. System or procedures to monitor compliance with IOTC binding measure are :

IOTC binding measures, for vessels/persons, monitored and controlled by government fisheries administration with institutional procedures implemented

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b. System or procedures to respond to instances of non-compliance are :

Established in national law implemented by Government

In Japan, under the Fisheries Act, vessels engaged in distant-water fishing are required to be equipped with a VMS. The Fisheries Agency monitors the operational positions of each vessel and also checks compliance through fishing logs and other records. Additionally, inspections are conducted at ports during offloading as necessary. If any violations are confirmed based on this information, administrative measures such as orders to anchor the vessel may be imposed under the Fisheries Act, and there is also the possibility of judicial penalties.

c. Actions in relation to potential infringements are :

Suspend/cancel/revoke a licence/ATF, Prohibition of fishing for a determined period

If a case potentially involving a violation arises, the operational status of the vessel will be checked using the VMS and fishing logs. As necessary, inspections of the vessel and interviews with the fishers will also be conducted. Based on these findings, consideration will be given to taking judicial action or imposing administrative measures under the Fisheries Act, such as an order for the vessel to remain in port.

d. Comments/remarks about your submission and the implementation of system and procedures:

NONE



Upload - Any documents on system/procedures:

3. CPC is reporting for the year 2024 :

YES - Reporting in the below table. NO

| Initial Catch Limit 2024 Select | Current catch 2024 (Quantity in Ton) | Balance 2024 (Quantity in Ton) | Adjusted catch limit 2024 (Quantity in Ton) | NEW catch limit 2025 [Catch limit 2024 + OR - Over/underage] (Quantity in Ton) |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Japan - 3,684 t 3684 | 3290.17 - - | WITHIN CATCH LIMIT (-) UNDERAGE OF : 393.83 | NO TRANSFER -> NO AD- JUSTED CATCH LIMIT - | 4077.83 |

4. CPC is reporting transfers of quota for the year 2024

NO - Not implemented YES - Implemented

5. Legal Obligation



Upload the national legislation with provisions of implementation of requirements / obligations of Resolution 23/04 :

a. Enter the reference of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

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b. Provide the text of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

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- NIL Report / Not Applicable - Flag LSTLVs did not tranship at sea in 2024
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No LSTLVs on the IOTC record of authorized vessel in 2024
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC has not participated in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea in 2024
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - LSTLVs on the IOTC Record of Authorized Vessels not active in 2024
- NO - Not submitted
- YES - Submitted

2. Participation in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea ?

- YES - We are participating in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea
- NO - NIL report - Flag LSTVs did not tranship at sea in 2024
- NO - NIL report - No LSTLVs on the IOTC record of authorized vessel in 2024
- NO - NIL report - We have not participated in the IOTC regional observer programme (ROP) to monitor transhipment at sea in 2024
- NO - NIL report - LSTVs on the IOTC Record of Authorized Vessels not active in 2024

3. Summary reporting

Reported ? 4 options available

Select at least one option

Additional information ?

if not reported specify the reasons & the actions taken.
If none, by default NONE is written.

YES - Complete - The 3 reports are provided

NONE



If you have provided the reports in Section 3a, 3b, 3c. There is no need to upload the reports

[Res 23.05 - Reporting template on at sea transhipment E.xlsx](#)
- 5/9/2025

Upload the reports on the list of LSTLVs & the quantities transhipped in 2025, the assessment of observer reports in 2025 :

Number of LSTLVs having transhipped at sea in 2025:

14

Total quantity transhipped at sea (kg) in 2025:

1780.609

Requirement number: 8.2 - Information required: Report on transhipments in foreign ports in 2025 Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 12 March 2026 - 05:59 // Compliance assessment : Not Assessed

1. Did you submit the data/report/information of this reporting obligation ?

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - LSTV on the RAV not active in 2025
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No LSTV on the RAV in 2025
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - Flag LSTVs did not tranship in foreign ports in 2025
- NO - Not implemented
- YES - Implemented

2. Flagged LSTVs have transhipped in foreign ports ?

- YES - Flag LSTVs have transhipped in foreign ports in 2025
- NO - NIL report / Not applicable - Flag LSTVs did not tranship in foreign ports in 2025
- NO - NIL report / Not applicable - LSTVs on the IOTC Record of Authorized Vessels not active in 2025
- NO - NIL report / Not applicable - No LSTV on the IOTC Record of Authorized Vessels in 2025

3. Reporting summary:

Reported ? 4 options availables

Select at least one option

Additional information ?

if not reported specify the reasons & the actions taken.
If none, by default NONE is written.

YES - Complete - The 2 reports are provided

NONE

Number of LSTVs having transhipped in foreign port in 2025:

6

Total quantity transhipped in port (kg) in 2025:

664



If you have provided the reports in Section 3a, 3b. There is no need to upload the reports

Upload the report on the list of LSTVs & the quantities transhipped in foreign ports in 2025 :

A.6 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/06 On a regional observer scheme](#)



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Resolution 25/06 On a regional observer scheme](#)

adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

Japan establishes an observer deployment plan to ensure that the observer coverage rate is at least 5%. In 2025, a coverage rate of more than 5% was achieved.

A.7 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/07 On a management procedure for swordfish in the IOTC area of competence](#)



Does not require action



A.8 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/08 On the conservation of sharks caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC](#)

1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Resolution 25/08 On the conservation of sharks caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC](#) adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

The provisions adopted at the 2025 Commission, including the prohibition on the use of shark lines, has been already secured under the relevant domestic laws and regulations.

A.9 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/09 On the conservation of shortfin and longfin mako sharks caught in association with IOTC fisheries](#)



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Resolution 25/09 On the conservation of shortfin and longfin mako sharks caught in association with IOTC fisheries](#) adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

The provisions of this Resolution has been already implemented through domestic legislation, and the relevant data have been provided through the National Report and other scientific data submissions.

A.10 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/10 On establishing a Technical Committee on Management Procedures](#)



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Resolution 25/10 On establishing a Technical Committee on Management Procedures](#) adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

Japan has not undertaken any specific actions in relation to this resolution.

A.11 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/11 On port state measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing](#)



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Resolution 25/11 On port state measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing](#) adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

Japan verified whether any violations had been committed by our fishing vessels based on VMS data, logbooks, and other relevant information. Under the Port State Measures (PSM), prompt and adequate investigations has been conducted in response to notifications from Port States.



A.12 - Actions taken to implement [Resolution 25/12 On the promotion of the implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures](#)

1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Resolution 25/12 On the promotion of the implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures](#) adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

The provisions set out in the IOTC Resolutions have been incorporated into the relevant domestic laws and regulations of Japan.

A.13 - Actions taken to implement [Recommendation 25/13 On promoting the objectives of IOTC](#)



[through cooperation with the BBNJ agreement](#)

[\(the agreement under the United Nations Convention](#)

[on the Law of the Sea on the conservation](#)

[and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction\)](#)

1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Recommendation 25/13 On promoting the objectives of IOTC through cooperation with the BBNJ agreement \(the agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction\)](#)

adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

The BBNJ Agreement has been approved by the Japanese Diet in May 2025. Fisheries Agency of Japan participates in the Preparatory Commission.

A.14 - Actions taken to implement [Recommendation 25/14 On the limitation of fishing capacity](#)



1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measure

[Recommendation 25/14 On the limitation of fishing capacity](#)

adopted by the Commission at its 29th Session :

A domestic plan to reduce the number of fishing vessels, including the selection of vessels to be decommissioned, has been considered. The detail of vessels to be reduced is expected to be determined from 2026 onward.

Any additional information / remarks on the completion of part A of the Implementation report ?

None

Part B – Actions taken, under national legislation, to implement CMMs adopted by the Commission in previous Sessions which have not been reported previously

1. Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission in previous Sessions, and which have not been reported previously:

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2. I have taken actions, under national legislation, to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission in previous Sessions.

Yes - actions taken and described above No - No action taken

Upload any document/information on actions taken :

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Any additional information / remarks on the completion of part B of the Implementation report ?

NONE

Part C – Data and information reporting requirements for CPCs to be included in this report

Resolution 24/03 On establishment of a list of vessels presumed to have carried out illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing in the IOTC area of competence



IUU vessel proposal

DRAFT IUU VESSELS LIST- IUU form - Proposal for IUU listing for Adoption at next session (CoC23)

This requirement is applicable to CPCs that have recorded illegal activity of vessel within the IOTC Area and in relation to species covered by the IOTC Agreement or by IOTC Conservation and Management Measures and wish to propose for IUU listing to the next session Compliance Committee for adoption by the Commission.

1. A system or procedures exist to implement this binding reporting obligation: *To prepare & submit* the IUU form

- YES - CPC has illegal activity of vessel to report within the IOTC Area, in relation to species covered by the IOTC Agreement or by IOTC Conservation and Management Measures.
- NO - NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC has NO illegal activity of vessel to report within the IOTC Area, in relation to species covered by the IOTC Agreement or by IOTC Conservation and Management Measures
- NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to implement this binding reporting measure.
- YES - CPC has system / procedure to implement this binding reporting measure

2. Reporting illegal activity of vessels in 2025 :

- YES - CPC has illegal activity of vessel to report within the IOTC Area, in relation to species covered by the IOTC Agreement or by IOTC Conservation and Management Measures.
- NO - NIL report / Not applicable - CPC has NO illegal activity of vessel to report within the IOTC Area, in relation to species covered by the IOTC Agreement or by IOTC Conservation and Management Measures

3. Summary of your IUU vessels reporting

| Vessel(s) flag (Select on flag) | Vessel number (Enter the number of vessel(s)) (Ex: 3) | Vessel name(s) (List the names of ALL vessels) | Remarks (Any remarks about the vessels) |
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Comment Draft IUU list

DRAFT IUU VESSELS LIST - Comments and information from flag State on one vessel included on the Draft IUU Vessels List (CoC23)

The requirement is applicable to CPCs flag State that have a vessel included on the draft IUU vessels list.

1. Reporting comments and information from Japan flag State of vessel(s) included on the Draft IUU Vessel List:

- YES - Reporting comments and information from flag State - Japan - on vessels included on the Draft IUU Vessel List
- NO - NOT reporting comments and information from flag State - Japan - on vessels included on the Draft IUU Vessel List.

2. For vessel under your Flag - Japan - included on the Draft IUU Vessel List, complete the last column of the below table by providing comments/information on the vessel illegal activity as reported in the draft IUU vessel list :

| Name of vessel on Draft IUU list Use name from the IOTC Circular | Vessel identifier (IRCS, NRN, IMO) | Cross Listing | Comments/information To be completed by the flag State |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------|---|
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Additional comments/informations. if any?

Upload documents in response of the Draft IUU listing and associated documents/evidences of actions taken :

(e.g. actions taken, letters, results of court proceedings, fine imposed/paid, photographs)

3 . The information provided show that the listed vessel under my flag - Japan - on the Draft IUU Vessel List has :
Conducted fishing activities in a manner consistent with:

- IOTC Conservation and Management Measures, in force
- Coastal State laws/regulations when fishing waters under the jurisdiction of that State, & flag State law/regulations & Authorisation to Fish
- Species that are covered by the IOTC Agreement / IOTC Conservation & Management Measures

Conducted fishing activities in a manner inconsistent with:

- IOTC Conservation and Management Measures, in force
- Coastal State laws/regulations when fishing waters under the jurisdiction of that State, & flag State law/regulations & Authorisation to Fish
- Species that are covered by the IOTC Agreement / IOTC Conservation & Management Measures

Information on vessel on draft IUU list

DRAFT IUU VESSELS LIST – Report additional information regarding vessels on the draft IUU list

The requirement is applicable to CPCs that have additional information regarding vessels on the Draft IUU vessels list.

1. Reporting additional information on vessel included in the Draft IUU Vessel List:

- YES - Reporting additional information on vessel included in the Draft IUU Vessel List
- NO - NIL report - No additional information on vessel included in the Draft IUU Vessel List

2. If yes, Indicate on which vessel included in the draft IUU vessel list you provide information on, complete the first and the last column of the below table by providing information for each vessel illegal activity as reported in the draft IUU vessel list :

| Vessel name on Draft IUU list Completed by Secretariat | Flag Completed by Secretariat | Additional information |
|---|----------------------------------|------------------------|
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Additional informations (IR)?



Upload information in response of the Draft IUU listing :

3. The information provided show that the vessels listed on the Draft IUU Vessel List(s) have:

Conducted fishing activities in a manner consistent with:

- IOTC Conservation and Management Measures, in force
- Coastal State laws/regulations when fishing waters under the jurisdiction of that State, & flag State law/regulations & Authorisation to Fish
- Species that are covered by the IOTC Agreement / IOTC Conservation & Management Measures

Conducted fishing activities in a manner inconsistent with:

- IOTC Conservation and Management Measures. in force
- Coastal State laws/regulations when fishing waters under the jurisdiction of that State, & flag State law/regulations & Authorisation to Fish
- Species that are covered by the IOTC Agreement / IOTC Conservation & Management Measures

Removal of vessel on IUU list

IUU vessels list – Information for the removal of vessel from the IUU vessels list

This requirement is applicable to CPCs that have vessel on the IOTC IUU vessels list for the purpose of delisting the vessel.

1. Providing information on flag vessel on the IOTC IUU Vessels List for the purpose of delisting the vessel:

- YES - Japan has information on a flag vessel on the IOTC IUU Vessels List for the purpose of delisting the vessel
- NO - No information
- NO - Nil report - No Japan flag vessel on the IOTC IUU Vessels List

2. Vessel(s) included in the IOTC IUU vessels list, you provide information for delisting:

Vessel on IOTC IUU list

Select the IUU vessel(s) from the list

CPC information(s) for delisting

Enter information(s) for delisting



Upload the information for delisting vessel(s) listed in the IOTC IUU vessels list:

(e.g. Documents with evidences that: 1) vessel changed ownership,
2) previous owner has no operational/legal/financial/interests,
3) new owner not participated in IUU for 5 years,
4) prosecution/sanctions concluded, 5) vessel sunk/scrapped.)

3. Information provided as the flag State of the vessel listed on the IOTC IUU Vessels List, demonstrates that:

- Japan has adopted measures such that the vessel Owner & all other nationals employed on that vessel that engage in fishing & fishing related activities within the IOTC Area for species covered by the IOTC Agreement comply with all IOTC CMMs.
- The vessel has changed ownership & that the new Owner can establish that the previous Owner no longer has any operational, legal, financial or real interests whether direct or indirect in the vessel or exercises control over it & that the new Owner has not participated in any IUU fishing activities in the preceding 5 years.
- The vessel has been sunk or scrapped.
- Prosecution and/or sanctions regarding the vessel that conducted IUU fishing activities has been concluded by both the nominating CPC and the flag State of the vessel.
- Japan is effectively assuming & will continue to effectively assume flag State responsibilities with regard to the monitoring & control of the fishing activities of this vessel.
- Japan has taken effective action against the Owner, Operator & Master in response to the IUU fishing activities that resulted in the vessel's inclusion in the IUU Vessel List including prosecution & imposition of sanctions of adequate severity.

New or change information on vessel on IUU list

IUU VESSELS LIST – New or changed information for vessels on the IOTC IUU vessels list

The requirement is applicable to all CPCs that have new or changed information for vessel on the IUU Vessel List for the purpose of updating the IOTC IUU Vessels List.

1. Providing new or changed information for vessel on the IOTC IUU Vessel List for the purpose of updating the IOTC IUU Vessels List:

- YES - Japan provide new or changed information for the purpose of updating the IOTC IUU Vessels List
- NO - NIL report - Japan do not have information

2. For vessels in the IOTC IUU vessels list, new information on:

IUU No / Current name of vessel (previous names) / Current flag (previous flags) / Call sign (previous call signs) / Lloyds-IMO number or unique vessel identifier


Select from the IUU list (Version 26/05/2025)

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3. The new/changed information provided relates to:

| IUU Vessel | Information type | New information |
|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Select from the list | Select from the list | Complete the field(s) for new/changed information for the vessel listed above |

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 **Upload supporting documents and any other information related to the new/changed information**



Resolution 24/09 To promote compliance by nationals of contracting parties and cooperating non-contracting parties with IOTC conservation and management measures

Requirement number: 7.Xg - Information required: Reports on actions and measures taken to investigate allegations and/or reports on IUU fishing involving nationals in 2025 - Deadline: 10/2/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 29 January 2026 - 13:57 // Compliance assessment : -/-

1 - Reporting on actions and measures taken to investigate allegations and/or reports on IUU fishing involving nationals:

- YES - Japan has taken actions/measures to investigate allegations/reports on IUU fishing involving Japan nationals
- NO - NIL report for 2025 – No Japan nationals engage in IUU fishing in the IOTC Area of Competence

Investigation reports & any other information

| <u>IUU Vessel</u> | <u>Natural/legal person name</u> | <u>Investigation results</u> | <u>Action taken</u> |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
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Other actions taken & additional information to report?

Upload the investigation reports & any other information in the section below. If more than 4 persons to report on, make another submission.

Resolution 23-01 - Anchored Fish Aggregating Devices (AFADs)



Resolution 24/02 on management of drifting fish aggregating devices (FADs) in the IOTC area of competence



[Resolution 19/02 Procedures on a fish aggregating devices \(FADs\) management plan - Number of active DFADs](#)
[\[Remain binding on OMAN\]](#)

Requirement number: 2.11 - Information required: 2026 DFAD management plans - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 11 March 2026 - 04:12 // Compliance assessment : Not Assessed

1. Did you implement the obligation ?

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - For 2026 no purse seine vessels / supply or support vessels fishing on Drifting Fish Aggregating Devices.
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No DFADs fishery, fishing for tuna and tuna like species under the IOTC mandate.
- NO - Not implemented
- YES - Implemented

2. A system or procedures exist to monitor and to ensure compliance with the obligation for vessels implementation of the DFADs management plan :

- NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND NO action in relation to potential infringements.
- YES - CPC has system / procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements

a. System or procedures to monitor compliance with IOTC binding measure are :

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b. System or procedures to respond to instances of non-compliance are :

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c. Actions in relation to potential infringements are :

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d. Enter any comments/remarks about your submission and the implementation of system and procedures:

NONE



Upload - Any documents on system/procedures:

3. DFADs management plans implemented and reported for following year(s):

- Yes for 2026 Yes for 2025 Yes for 2024 Yes for 2023 Yes for 2022
- Yes for 2021 Yes for 2020 Yes for 2019 Yes for 2018
- No DFADs fishery, fishing for tuna and tuna like species under the IOTC mandate.

4. Reporting/Updating the DFADs management plan:

- YES - The 2026 DFADs management plan is uploaded below
- No DFADs management plan for 2026



Upload the DFAD management plan :

5. The 2025 DFADs management plan is prepared in accordance with the Guideline (Annex I or II):

- YES – All sections are detailed according to the Guideline (Annex I or II) NO - Some sections are missing

6. Legal obligation



Upload the national legislation with provisions of implementation of requirements / obligations of Resolution 24/02:

a. Enter the reference of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement (IR) :

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b. Provide the text of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

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Resolution 10/10 – Concerning market related measures



Requirement number: 12.1 - Information required: Report on imports, landings and transshipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products in ports in 2025 - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? false the Not Submitted // Compliance assessment : -/-

1. A system or procedures exist to monitor the imports, landings and transshipments of tuna and tuna-like fish products in your ports?

- NO - NIL Report / Not Applicable - No import of tuna and tuna-like fish products in 2025 .
- NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - No landing of tuna and tuna-like fish products in ports in 2025 .
- NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - No transshipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products in ports in 2025 .
- NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND NO action in relation to potential infringements.
- YES - CPC has systems & procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements.

a. System or procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure are :

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Upload documents on system/procedures :

2. Summary of imports, landings and transshipments of tuna and tuna-like fish products in port

NO - Report not provided

Specify the reasons and provide any remarks:

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YES – The report is uploaded / submitted to the IOTC Secretariat.

Specify the total quantities (Tons) of tuna and tuna-like fish **imported** in 2025

-

Specify the total quantities (Tons) of tuna and tuna-like fish **landed** in 2025

-

Specify the total quantities (Tons) of tuna and tuna-like fish **transhipped** in 2025

-

List all countries of export in 2025

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Check catch areas in 2025 (RFMOs)

- IATTC - Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission
- ICCAT - International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas
- WPCFC - Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission
- CCSBT - Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna
- SIOFA - Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement
- CCAMLR - Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources
- NAFO - Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization
- NASCO - North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization
- SEAFO - South East Atlantic Fisheries Organisation
- SPRFMO - South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation
- NEAFC - North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission
- APFIC - Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission
- IWC - International Whaling Commission
- SEAFDEC - Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center

NIL Report - no import, landing and transshipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products in 2025

Upload the 2025 report :

If section 2 is not completed

Resolution 01/06 Concerning the IOTC bigeye tuna statistical document programme



Requirement number: 10.3 - Information required: Annual report on the IOTC bigeye tuna statistical document programme in 2024 - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 27 February 2026 - 09:50 // Compliance assessment : C

1. Did you submit the data/report/information of this reporting obligation ?

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC did not export frozen bigeye tuna in 2024
- NO - Not implemented
- YES - Implemented

EXPORT:

2. Frozen bigeye tunas were exported :

- YES - Frozen Bigeye tuna were exported
- NO - Frozen Bigeye tuna were NOT exported

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE IOTC BIGEYE TUNA STATISTICAL DOCUMENT PROGRAMME

Reporting country: Japan — **Reporting period:** 2025

EXPORTING information

IMPORTING information

Compile in this section the information from the certificate
you have validated during a specific year as flag State CPC of the vessels

Compile in this section the information declared by the importing CPC. The information is provided by importer CPC to the Secretariat by semester (biannual import report). The Secretariat process the information and the report is produced and available in the Section above "Information from the Secretariat". It is the information contained in this report that must be compiled in this section.

| Fishing Area Select from the list | Fishing Gear Select from the list | Point of export (Country/City/Port/High Sea) | Export to Country Select from the list | Prese-va- tion Se-lect | Shap-lect | Product weight (KG) (e.g. 25.000,59) | Country/Entity Select | Prese-va- tion Se-lect | Shap-lect | Product weight (KG) (e.g. 25.000,59) |
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| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimizu | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 349 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 349 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimizu | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 935.9 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 935.9 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimono-seki | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 1683.5 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 1347.3 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimono-seki | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 973.2 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 973.2 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimono-seki | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 387.5 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 387.5 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimono-seki | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 873.8 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 873 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimizu | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 1506.7 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 1347.3 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/ Shimono-seki | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 770 | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Other | 770 |
| Indian Ocean | LL-Longline | Japan/Haneda | OTHER Country NOT LISTED | Froze | Other | 1.6 | OTHER Country NOT LISTED | Froze | Belly meat | 1.6 |
| - | - | - | - | - | - | - | KOR-Korea Rep. | Froze | Belly meat | 590 |

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| - | - | - | - | - | - | - | KOR-Korea Rep. | FrozeBelly meat | 978.6 |
| - | - | - | - | - | - | - | KOR-Korea Rep. | FrozeBelly meat | 350.2 |

3. Summary of your reporting of Frozen Bigeye tuna exported:

Export TO Country: **Total quantity exported (KG):** **Product shape(s):**

KOR-Korea Rep. 7481.2 Other

OTHER Country NOT LISTED 1.61 Other



Upload the annual report :

Optional if you have completed the 2 tables above.

4. If you have exported bigeye tuna, report the result(s) of the examination between YOUR EXPORT data and the IMPORT data declared by IMPORTING CPC(s):

| Examination result ? 5 options available Select at least one option | Difference with CPC ? Select from the list | Specify total difference of quantity (KG) ? Format 1.000.000,00 | Additional information ? if difference & not examine specify the reasons & the actions taken. If none, by default NONE is written. |
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| YES - We have examined the @reported-for-year data and NO significant difference was identified between my EXPORT data and the IMPORTING DATA from CPCs | - | 0 | NONE |
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When significant difference(s) were identified between your EXPORT data and the IMPORTING DATA from other CPCs, report the results of the examinations below:

(IR)

Results of examination

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Resolution 11/02 Prohibition of fishing on data buoys

Requirement number: 2.22 - Information required: Report on observations of damaged data buoys in 2025 - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 10 March 2026 - 04:44 // Compliance assessment : Not Assessed

1. Did you submit the data/report/information of this reporting obligation

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC does not have fishing vessels operating in the IOTC Area of Competence
 NIL Report / Not Applicable - No report received from flag vessels in 2025
 NO - Not submitted
 YES - Submitted

2. Reporting observations of damaged data buoys :

| Obs Number | Date Obs | Location | ID information |
|--|-----------|--|--|
| Number of the observation (1,2, 3....) | Pick date | Latitude and longitude (e.g. 45° 46' 52" N 108° 30' 14" W) | Any discernible identifying information contained on the data buoy |

Any additional information to report ?

NONE

- The report on observations of damaged data buoys is provided above and/or uploaded below.
 NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC does not have fishing vessels operating in the IOTC Area of Competence
 NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - No report received from flag vessels in 2025

Resolution 12/04 On the conservation of marine turtles



Requirement number: 6.9 - Reporting obligation: Report on progress of implementation of Resolution 12/04 in 2025 - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 11 March 2026 - 04:06 // Compliance assessment : Not Assessed

1. Did you submit the data/report/information of this reporting obligation?

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC has no fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2025 AND CPC is not a coastal State of the IOTC Area of Competence.
 NO - Not submitted
 YES - Submitted

2. Reporting the progress of implementation of Resolution 12/04:

YES - Reporting progress in section 3 below

NO - NOT reporting progress

NO - NIL report - No vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels AND no artisanal/coastal fisheries in 2025

3. Report on the requirements of the Resolution 12/04:

a. Collect (through logbooks and observer programs) and provide to the Scientific Committee all data on their vessels interactions with marine turtles,

Furnish information to the Scientific Committee on successful mitigation measures and other impacts on marine turtles (such as the deterioration of nesting sites & swallowing of marine debris):

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

NO - 3.a) is not applicable - No vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels (RAV)

Progress of implementation:

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b. Require fishermen to bring aboard, if practicable, any captured hard shelled turtle that is comatose or inactive as soon as possible and foster its recovery, including aiding in its resuscitation, before safely returning it to the water. Ensure that fishermen are aware of and use proper mitigation and handling techniques and keep on board all necessary equipment for the release of turtles:

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

NO - 3.b) is not applicable - No vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels (RAV)

Progress of implementation:

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c. For gillnet vessels: Require vessel to record all incidents involving marine turtles in the logbooks and report incidents to authorities of the CPC:

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

NO - 3.c) is not applicable - No gillnet vessel on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels (RAV)

Progress of implementation:

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d. For longline vessels

(a) Ensure that longline vessels carry line cutters & de-hookers to facilitate the handling and release of marine turtles caught or entangled

(b) Encourage use of whole finfish bait;

(c) Require vessel to record all incidents involving marine turtles in the logbooks and report incidents to authorities of the CPC.

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

NO - 3.d) is not applicable - No longline vessel on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels (RAV)

Progress of implementation:

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e. For purse seine vessels:

(a) Ensure that vessels:

(i) Avoid encirclement of marine turtles, if a marine turtle is encircled/ entangled, take measures to safely release the turtle.

(ii) Release all marine turtles observed entangled in fish aggregating devices (FADs) or fishing gear.

(iii) If a marine turtle is entangled in the net, stop net roll as soon as the turtle comes out of the water; disentangle the turtle without injuring it before resuming the net roll; and assist the recovery of the turtle before returning it to the water.

(iv) Carry and employ dip nets to handle turtles.

(b) Encourage vessel to adopt FAD designs which reduce the incidence of entanglement of turtles;

(c) Require vessel to record incidents involving marine turtles in the logbooks and report incidents to authorities of the CPC.

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

NO - 3.e) is not applicable - No purse seine vessel on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels (RAV)

Progress of implementation:

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f. CPCs to undertake research trials of circle hooks, use of whole finfish for bait, alternative FAD designs, alternative handling techniques, gillnet design and fishing practices and other mitigation methods which may improve the mitigation of adverse effects on turtles.

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

Progress of implementation:

g. CPCs continue to undertake research and development to improve the mitigation of adverse affects on marine turtles & provide research outcomes to the Scientific Committee.

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

Progress of implementation:

h. Collaborate with the IOSEA and take into account the IOSEA MoU

YES - 2025 progress are reported below NO - No progress in 2025

Progress of implementation:

Resolution 14/05 Concerning a record of licensed foreign vessels fishing for IOTC species in the IOTC area of competence and access agreement information



Requirement number: 3.9 - Information required: Access agreements information in 2025 - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 10 March 2026 - 04:45 // Compliance assessment : Not Assessed

1. Did you submit the data/report/information of this reporting obligation?

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC does not have CPC-CPC agreement in 2025
- NO - Not submitted
- YES - Submitted

2. A system exist to sign Government to Government access agreement for foreign vessels to operate in your waters, within the IOTC Area:

- YES – A system exists exist to sign Government to Government access agreement
- NO – A system does NOT exist to sign Government to Government access agreement

3. Foreign vessels were licensed under a Government to Government access agreement:

- YES - Foreign vessels were licensed in 2025 under a Government (CPC) to Government (CPC) access agreement
- NO – NIL report - No foreign flag vessels licensed under a Government (CPC) to Government (CPC) access agreement

4. CPC-to-CPC agreements exist and information concerning these agreements submitted to the IOTC Secretariat:

NO Specify the reasons and the actions taken to report:

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YES - Partial Specify the reasons and the actions taken to report:

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YES - Complet Any additional information ?

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5. For each CPC/CPC agreement:

a. The information: the CPC involved, the start and end dates of the agreement, the number of vessels and the authorised gears :

| <u>CPC/CPC agreement with:</u> | <u>Agreement start date:</u> | <u>Agreement end date:</u> | <u>Number of ves-sels:</u> | <u>Gear authorized:</u> |
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| 2 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4 | - | - | - | - | - |

5. For each CPC/CPC agreement:

b. Provide the information: the quota or catch limit, MCS measures, data reporting obligation concerning these agreements and complete the below table:

| No | <u>Stock/species covered</u> | <u>CPC’s quota or catch limit:</u> | <u>Data reporting obligations of the agreement:</u> | <u>MCS measures required by the flag CPC & coastal CPC:</u> |
|----|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | - | - | - | - |
| 2 | - | - | - | - |
| 3 | - | - | - | - |
| 4 | - | - | - | - |

5. For each CPC/CPC agreement:

Upload:



Upload the CPC/CPC agreement(s) :

6. All the mandatory information provided to the IOTC Secretariat for all CPC/CPC access agreement

No Yes – Partially Yes – Complete

Specify what mandatory information are not fully provided or missing :

Select one or more options

Specify the reasons for each not fully provided or missing requirement:

Resolution 16/08 On the prohibition of the use of aircrafts and unmanned aerial vehicles as fishing aids



Requirement number: 2.16x - Information required: Any occurrence of fishing operation undertaken with the aid of aircraft or unmanned aerial vehicle in 2025 - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 10 March 2026 - 04:48 // Compliance assessment : -/-

1. Reporting occurrence of a fishing operation undertaken with the aid of aircraft or unmanned aerial vehicle in the IOTC area of competence:

- Occurrence of a vessel fishing operation with the aid of aircraft or unmanned aerial vehicle in 2025
- Nil report for 2025 – no occurrence of vessel fishing operation with the aid of aircraft or unmanned aerial vehicle

| VESSEL NAME <i>Full name of the vessel</i> | DATE <i>dd/mm/yyyy</i> | VESSELS IDENTIFIERS <i>IMO, IRCS, registration number, etc...</i> | ACTIONS TAKEN <i>Any State actions: MCS, IUU listing, legal actions</i> |
|--|----------------------------------|---|---|
| - | - | - | - |

Resolution 17/07 On the prohibition to use large-scale driftnets in the IOTC area



Requirement number: 2.8 - Prohibition from: Using large-scale driftnets in the entire IOTC area of competence in 2025 - Deadline: 12/3/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 11 March 2026 - 04:05 // Compliance assessment : C

1 . Did you implement the obligation ?

- NO - Not implemented
- YES - Implemented

2. A system or procedures to monitor and to ensure compliance with the obligation for fishing vessels to not use large scale driftnets in the IOTC area of Competence (High sea and ZEE):

- NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND NO action in relation to potential infringements.
- YES - CPC has system / procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements

a. System or procedures to monitor compliance with IOTC binding measure are :

System / procedures to monitor compliance with IOTC binding measure are not listed above, we specify and describe them in the below section

Ban on large-scale driftnets in the IOTC area is stipulated by the Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, etc. of Designated Fisheries, Article 83. Japan has not had vessels using driftnets even before the adoption of Res. 17/07.

b. System or procedures to respond to instances of non-compliance are :

Implementation of corrective/preventative actions to prevent recurrence of non-compliance & infringements

c. Actions in relation to potential infringements are :

Other sanctions (specify below)

If the Fisheries Agency of Japan finds a potential non-compliance, it will conduct investigations and take appropriate actions in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations.

d. Enter any comments/remarks about your submission and the implementation of system and procedures:

NONE



Upload - Any documents on system/procedures:

3. Use of large scale driftnets is banned in the IOTC area of competence (high seas and EEZ):

Implemented ?

Select at least one option

If Implemented - since ?

Select a date from the calendar

Additional information ?

if not ban/implemented specify the reasons & the actions taken to transpose the obligation.
If none, by default NONE is written.

Implemented (ban) ONLY by national law

01-04-1994

NONE

B.1 - Ban of large scale driftnets in the IOTC area of competence (high sea and EEZ)

3. Use of large scale driftnets is banned in the IOTC area of competence (high seas and EEZ):

Implemented ?

Select at least one option

If Implemented - since ?

Select a date from the calendar

Additional information ?

if not ban/implemented specify the reasons & the actions taken to transpose the obligation.
If none, by default NONE is written.

Implemented (ban) ONLY by national law

01-04-1994

NONE

B.2 - Monitoring, control, and surveillance (MCS) actions

4. Monitoring, control, and surveillance actions are applicable to :

Flagged vessels Foreign vessels

5. Monitoring, control, and surveillance actions are:

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No fishing vessels active in the IOTC Area of Competence
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - Only engaged in transshipment activities involving carrier vessels registered on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels
- NO - Not submitted
- YES - Submitted

For artisanal/coastal fisheries:

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No coastal fisheries active in the IOTC Area of Competence
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - Not a coastal State of the IOTC Area of Competence – CPC located outside the IOTC Area of Competence
- NO - Not submitted
- YES - Submitted

2. A recording system to collect fisheries data exists

- NO - A recording system does NOT exist to collect fisheries data
- YES - A recording system to collect fisheries data exists

3. Mandatory data/statistics reported

- NO - Mandatory data/statistics NOT reported YES - Mandatory data/statistics reported

For Industrial fisheries:

- NIL report - No fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels
- NIL report - No fishing vessels active in the IOTC Area of Competence
- NIL report - Only engaged in transshipment activities involving carrier vessels registered on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels

For artisanal/coastal fisheries:

Tick one or more boxes

- NIL report - No coastal fisheries active in the IOTC Area of Competence
- NIL report - Not a coastal State of the IOTC Area of Competence – CPC located outside the IOTC Area of Competence

4. Action(s) to improve data collection that facilitate improvements in compliance in terms of IOTC mandatory reporting obligations

a. Development or improvements in the implementation of logbooks:

- | | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: - | Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: Submission of logbook is mandatory by national legislation. |
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b. Port-based sampling or related fisheries surveys:

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: - | Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: - |
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c. National observer scheme:

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: - | Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: Japan implements its national observer program in accordance with Resolution 22/04 and its predecessors. |
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d. National Vessel registry:

- | | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: - | Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress: |
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All Japan's vessels operating in the area of IOTC competence are issued licenses by the Ministry.

e. Electronic data capture, VMS, or on-board electronic monitoring:

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial IOTC fisheries - Measures taken & implementation progress:

All vessels operating in the IOTC area of competence have equipped with VMS. Japan has been conducting EMS trial for offshore longline vessels since 2021.

5. Action(s) to improve data processing and reporting systems that facilitate submission of data to the IOTC Secretariat:

Tick the boxes and describe.

a. Development of fisheries databases

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:

Japan has such system.

b. Development of data dissemination systems

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:

Japan has such system.

c. Frame surveys

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:

Japan conducts such surveys.

d. Coherence of data with alternative fisheries datasets

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:

Logbook data is cross-checked with observer data, as appropriate.

e. Development of automated routines to process and extract IOTC data submission

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:

Japan has a dedicated team for data processing and management.

f. Steps to minimise data entry errors

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:

Japan implements a various steps to minimise data entry errors such as double-checks on data and cross-checks against other information.

6. Action(s) to improve the quality and accuracy of data submitted to the IOTC Secretariat:

Tick the boxes and describe.

a. Steps to improve data validation

Yes
 No

Artisanal (coastal) fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:
-

Industrial fisheries - Measures taken, implementation progress:

Japan has collected total catch data, catch and effort data and size data for direct and incidental catch through fish-

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC has no vessels on the Record of authorised vessels operating in the IOTC Area of Competence in 2025
- NO - Not implemented
- YES - Implemented

2. A system or procedures exist i) to review flag State internal actions, measures, punitive actions and sanctions, and ii) to monitor and to ensure compliance by vessels & persons with those obligations of Paragraphs 11 (Resolution 19/04)

- NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to i) review flag State internal actions and ii) to monitor & to ensure compliance by vessels & persons with those obligations of Paragraphs 11, AND NO action in relation to potential infringements.
- YES - CPC has system / procedure to i) review flag State internal actions and ii) to monitor & to ensure compliance by vessels & persons with those obligations of Paragraphs 11, AND action in relation to potential infringements

a. System or procedures to monitor compliance with IOTC binding measure are :

IOTC binding measures, for vessels/persons, monitored and controlled by government fisheries administration with institutional procedures implemented

Japan has taken measures to ensure that their AFVs comply with the requirements and responsibilities under the IOTC Agreement and its Conservation and Management Measures through national legislations.

b. System or procedures to respond to instances of non-compliance are :

Established by national regulation implemented by Government

c. Actions in relation to potential infringements are :

Other sanctions (specify below)

If the Fisheries Agency of Japan finds a potential non-compliance, it will conduct investigations and take appropriate actions in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations.

d. Enter any comments/remarks about your submission and the implementation of system and procedures:

Japan reviews domestic laws and regulations periodically. The recent major review and update on the Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, etc. of Designated Fisheries have been done in 2020.



Upload - Any documents on system/procedures:

3. Paragraph 11.a):

Fulfil in respect of the vessels the requirements and responsibilities under the IOTC Agreement and its Conservation and Management Measures

Please specify below:

- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraph 11.a) in 2025 and include in the below table the internal actions, punitives actions and sanctions
- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraphs 11.a) in 2024 and there is no update to provide for 2025.

If such a review has been conducted, list of measures with, for each the following details
Measures _

Punitives _
actions

Sanctions _

Any other measures/punitive actions/sanctions? Specify :

Japan has taken measures to ensure that their AFVs comply with the requirements and responsibilities under the IOTC Agreement and its Conservation and Management Measures through national legislations.

4. Paragraph 11.b):**Ensure that AFVs comply with all the relevant IOTC Conservation and Management Measures**

- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraph 11.b) in 2025 and include in the below table the internal actions, punitive actions and sanctions
- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraphs 11.b) in 2024 and there is no update to provide for 2025.

If such a review has been conducted, list of measures with, for each the following details

Measures _

Punitive actions _

Sanctions _

Any other measures/punitive actions/sanctions? Specify :

Japan has taken measures to ensure that their AFVs comply with all the relevant IOTC Conservation and Management Measures through national legislations.

5. Paragraph 11.c):**Ensure AFVs on the IOTC Record keep on board valid certificates of vessel registration and valid authorisation to fish and/or tranship**

- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraph 11.c) in 2025 and include in the below table the internal actions, punitive actions and sanctions
- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraphs 11.c) in 2024 and there is no update to provide for 2025.

If such a review has been conducted, list of measures with, for each the following details

Measures _

Punitive actions _

Sanctions _

Any other measures/punitive actions/sanctions? Specify :

Japan has taken measures to ensure that their AFVs on the IOTC Record keep on board valid certificates of vessel registration and valid authorisation to fish and/or tranship through national legislations.

6. Paragraph 11.d):

Ensure AFVs on the IOTC Record have no history of IUU fishing activities or that AFVs are not engaged in or associated with IUU fishing

- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraph 11.d) in 2025 and include in the below table the internal actions, punitives actions and sanctions
- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraphs 11.d) in 2024 and there is no update to provide for 2025.

If such a review has been conducted, list of measures with, for each the following details

Measures _

**Punitives
actions** _

Sanctions _

Any other measures/punitive actions/sanctions? Specify :

At granting fishing licenses, Japan has confirmed violation records of fisheries and labour legislation and examines the eligibility for fishing authorization.

7. Paragraph 11.e):

Ensure under domestic law the owners/operators of AFVs on the IOTC Record are not engaged in/associated with tuna fishing activities conducted by vessels not entered into the IOTC Record in the IOTC area of competence

- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraph 11.e) in 2025 and include in the below table the internal actions, punitives actions and sanctions
- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraphs 11.e) in 2024 and there is no update to provide for 2025.

If such a review has been conducted, list of measures with, for each the following details

Measures _

**Punitives
actions** _

Sanctions _

Any other measures/punitive actions/sanctions? Specify :

At granting fishing licenses, Japan has confirmed violation records of fisheries and labour legislation and examines the eligibility for fishing authorization.

8. Paragraph 11.f):

Ensure under domestic law the owners of the AFVs on the IOTC Record are citizens or legal entities within the flag CPCs so that any control or punitive actions can be effectively taken against them

- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraph 11.f) in 2025 and include in the below table the internal actions, punitives actions and sanctions
- CPC has conducted a review of the internal actions & measures, punitive actions and sanctions for paragraphs 11.f) in 2024 and there is no update to provide for 2025.

If such a review has been conducted, list of measures with, for each the following details
Measures

Punitive actions

Sanctions

Any other measures/punitive actions/sanctions? Specify :

Japan has issued a fishing license to fishing vessels owned by Japanese legal entities or individuals.

9. Legal Obligation



Upload the national legislation and ATF T&C with provisions of the obligations under Paragraphs 11 a) to f) - flag State actions, measures, punitive actions and sanctions - Resolution 19/04 (11):

a. Enter the reference of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

The Fishery Act, especially Articles 40 and 41

b. Provide the text of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

Article 40: The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries shall not grant a license or approve the establishment of a business in any of the following cases: 1. If the applicant does not have the eligibility prescribed in the following Article 1.

Article 41: A person who is eligible for a license or approval to start a business is one who does not fall under any of the following cases: 1. If the applicant does not comply with laws and regulations related to fisheries or labor and is not expected to continue to comply with them.

~~Article 40~~
~~Article 41~~

Information required: Report on vessels engaged in fishing or transshipment and not on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels in 2025 - Deadline: 5/2/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 06 February 2026 - 11:44 // Compliance assessment : -/-

1. Reporting factual information showing that there are reasonable grounds for suspecting vessels not on the IOTC Record to be engaged in fishing and/or transshipment of tuna and tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence

YES - Japan suspect the vessel(s) not on the IOTC Record to be engaged in fishing and/or transshipment of tuna and tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence in 2025

NO - Nil report for 2025 – Japan has no factual information

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Vessel name</u> | <u>Vessel Flag</u> | <u>Vessel identifiers</u> | <u>Actions taken</u> |
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Other actions taken & additional information to report?



Upload the factual information reports and any other information on the facts as well as the results of action taken :

Resolution 19/07 On Vessel Chartering in the IOTC Area of Competence



Requirement number: 3.2 -Information required: Particulars of the charter agreements in 2025 Deadline : 28/2/2026

Requirement submitted ? true the 19 February 2026 - 04:32 // Compliance assessment : Not Assessed

1 . Did you implement the obligation ?

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No chartered vessel and no chartering agreement in 2025
- NO - Not implemented
- YES - Implemented

2. You have chartering agreements signed :

- YES as chartering CP YES as Flag CPC NO
- NO - Nil report - No chartered vessels and no chartering agreement in 2025

3. The particulars of charter agreements signed, catches, effort, observer coverage (as Chartering CP), is reported in the below table. Upload the information about these charter agreements in the UPLOAD section:

- YES - Particulars of charter agreement reported in the below table
- NO - Particulars of charter agreement are NOT reported

| Charter No (e.g. 1, 2, 3, ...) | Start date Select | End date Select | Flag CP Select one CPC | Observer cover- age on chartered vessels Number of days | Fishing effort by chartered ves- sels Number of days | Catches by the chartered ves- sels Tons | Number of char- tered vessels Number (eg 5) |
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Resolution 21/01 On an interim plan for rebuilding the Indian Ocean yellowfin tuna stock in the IOTC area of competence



Requirement number: 2.17 - Information required: Catch limits – Nominal catch of YFT in 2024

Information required: CPCs subject to catch reductions, over-catch, report on corrective actions taken to adhere to prescribed catch levels

Requirement submitted ? true the 10 March 2026 - 04:48 // Compliance assessment : N/A

1 . Did you implement the obligation ?

- NIL Report / Not Applicable - CPC is not subject to yellowfin tuna catch reductions in 2024 due to no over-catch in 2023
- NIL Report / Not Applicable - No YFT catch limit applies to CPC
- YES - Implemented
- NO - Not implemented

2. A system or procedures exist to monitor and to ensure compliance, by persons/flagged vessels, with the limit of catch of Yellowfin tuna (YFT) and the corrective actions taken by the CPC to adhere to the prescribed catch levels when subject to catch reductions due to over-catch :

- NO - CPC has NO system / procedure to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND NO action in relation to potential infringements.
- YES - CPC has system AND procedures to monitor compliance with this binding measure, AND to take action in relation to potential infringements

a. System or procedures to monitor compliance with IOTC binding measure are :

IOTC binding measures, for vessels/persons, monitored and controlled by government fisheries administration with institutional procedures implemented

Under the Fishery Act, the Fisheries Agency of Japan has established the national catch limit for YFT. A person who has caught YFT must report the catch amount to the government. The Fisheries Agency of Japan monitors the cumulative catch and suspends the fishing when the catch limit is likely to be reached.

b. System or procedures to respond to instances of non-compliance are :

Established by national regulation implemented by Government

Under the Fishery Act, the Fisheries Agency of Japan suspends the fishing when the catch limit is likely to be reached.

c. Actions in relation to potential infringements are :

Other sanctions (specify below)

Under the Fishery Act, the Fisheries Agency of Japan suspends the fishing when the catch limit is likely to be reached.

d. Comments/remarks about your submission and the implementation of system and procedures:

NONE



Upload - Any documents on system/procedures:

B.1 Catch limits – Nominal catch of YFT

3. CPC is subject to yellowfin tuna catch reductions:

- YES - Subject to yellowfin tuna catch reductions NO - NOT subject to yellowfin tuna catch reductions

4. The catch of yellowfin tuna reported to the IOTC Secretariat and the reductions are:

- YES - Reporting in the below table. NO - No catch limits apply in 2024

Japan Base annual limit 4003

| YFT Catch Limit 2025 Data from Circular 2025-13 | YFT Catch 2025 (Quantity in Ton) | YFT Over Catch 2025 (Yes/No) | YFT Over Catch 2025 (Quantity in Ton) |
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Any comments on the above table? Provide any additional information, if any (IR) ?

NONE

B.2 CPCs subject to catch reductions, over-catch, report on corrective actions taken to adhere to prescribed catch levels

5. CPC is subject to yellowfin tuna catch reductions in 2024 , due to over-catch ?

- YES - Subject to yellowfin tuna catch reductions in 2024, due to over-catch in 2023.
 NO - NOT subject to yellowfin tuna catch reductions in 2024, no over-catch in 2023.

If Yes, please specify the YFT catch declared in 2023 :

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If Yes, please specify the YFT overcatch in 2023 :

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6. If CPC is subject to catch reduction due to over-catch, report on corrective actions/methods taken to adhere to prescribed catch levels :

- Reduction of fishing capacity
 Reduction of fishing effort
 Reduction of the number of fishing vessels on the IOTC Record of Authorised vessels
 Reduction of the number of active fishing vessels
 Reduction of the number of Authorisation to Fish issued to fishing vessels
 Seasonal closures imposed on the fleets
 Individudal catch limit defined by vessel
 Individudal catch limit defined by fleet segment
 Individudal catch limit defined by fishing gear

Add any method/Corrective measures / actions implemented and not listed above:

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8. Legal Obligation



Upload the national legislation :

a. Enter the reference of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

It is ensured by Articles 15, 30, 33 of Ministerial Ordinance on the Permission, Regulation, Etc. of Fisheries (Ordinance of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry No. 5 of January 22, 1963)

3. CPC has PS/SP vessels on the Record of authorized vessels ?

- NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - No purse seiner (PS) and no supply vessel (SP) on the IOTC Record of authorised vessels
 YES - CPC has purse seiner (PS) and supply vessel (SP) on the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels

4. The plan for reducing the use of supply vessel was provided for ?

- 2020
 2024
 2023
 2022
 2021
 2025
 NO – NIL Report / Not Applicable - No plan submitted, No purse seiner (PS) and no supply vessel (SP) on the IOTC Record of authorised vessels



Upload the plan(s) :

5. Legal Obligation



Upload the national legislation with provision to reduce use of supply vessels in purse seine operations targeting tropical tuna - Resolution 21/01 (18) :

a. Enter the reference of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

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b. Provide the text of laws, regulations and administrative instructions in force related to this requirement:

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Any additional information / remarks on the completion of part C of the Implementation report ?

None

Part D - Data and information reporting requirements for CPCs that have objected to some Resolutions

CPCs having objected to IOTC Resolutions: India, Iran, Madagascar, Oman, Pakistan, Somalia

Resolution 12/12 To prohibit the use of large-scale driftnets on the high seas in the IOTC area



Resolution 18/01 On an interim plan for rebuilding the Indian Ocean yellowfin tuna stock in the IOTC area of competence



Resolution 19/01 On an interim plan for rebuilding the Indian Ocean yellowfin tuna stock in the IOTC area of competence

Any additional information / remarks on the completion of part D of the Implementation report ?

None

Assessment Criteria

[New Appendix V - The Compliance Committee – Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure]

Rules of Procedure

The [IOTC Rules of Procedure](#) (12 May 2023) include provisions addressing various operations of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies.

[REVISED COMPLIANCE ASSESSMENT CRITERIA – APPENDIX V, IOTC RULES OF PROCEDURE \(2023\)](#)

The compliance status determination of a reporting requirement is, where applicable, grounded in the following main elements, as provided by the IOTC Rules of Procedure (2023), Annex V:

- Transposition of Commission decisions - Legislation or administrative orders
- Provision of information on system or procedures to monitor and ensure compliance of vessels and persons
- Reporting deadline, and
- Reporting format – IOTC standard

Year reported on/Year assessed: 2025

- Assessment of legislation (LEG): Not assessed
- Assessment of system and procedures (SPV): Not assessed
- Assessment of IOTC standard (STD): Assessed

Notes:

- Result of assessment: Causes mentioned below are not exhaustive and are only examples; other causes can apply depending of the context and information available.
- Observations mentioned below are not exhaustive and are only examples; other observations can apply depending of the context and information available.

IOTC Standard:

The RoP Annex V requires that submissions contain all mandatory information or data required, in the agreed format.

The standard in term of data/information/fields to be provided/completed is defined: **All sections applicable responded and all sub-sections/questions applicable responded.**

| Assessment Result | CR Observation |
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Assessment Score: Compliant - C

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| <p><u>LEG</u>: N/A</p> <p><u>STD</u>: The CPC has provided the Implementation Report, in the agreed format/at IOTC Standard, all mandatory sections applicable and all sub-sections/questions applicable completed/responded.</p> <p><u>SP</u>: N/A</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>STD</u>: YES - Implementation Report provided, in agreed format/at IOTC Standard, all mandatory sections applicable and all sub-sections/questions applicable completed/responded. <p>Corresponding to the below criteria in APPENDIX V – ANNEX A COMPLIANCE STATUS CATEGORIES :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reporting or submission by the deadlines; • Submission of all mandatory information or data required, in the agreed format. |
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Assessment Score: Partially Compliant - P/C

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| <p><u>LEG</u>: N/A AND/OR <u>STD</u>: The CPC has provided the Implementation Report, NOT in the agreed format/at IOTC Standard, Some mandatory sections and/or sub-sections/questions applicable NOT completed/responded. Missing sections on [RXX/YY] and/or sub-sections/questions on [RXX/YY]. AND/OR <u>SP</u>: N/A</p> | <p>Corresponding to the below criteria in APPENDIX V – ANNEX A COMPLIANCE STATUS CATEGORIES :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information or data for the obligation has been submitted or reported, but in a way that is incomplete or incorrect; CPC has failed to meet reporting or submission deadlines by less than 15 days. |
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Assessment Score: Non-Compliant category 1 - N/C1

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| <p><u>LEG</u>: N/A AND/OR <u>STD</u>: The CPC has NOT provided the Implementation Report. All mandatory sections/sub-sections/questions applicable NOT completed/responded AND/OR <u>SP</u>: N/A</p> | <p>Received [DATE] - XX days after the deadline. <u>STD</u>: NO - Implementation Report NOT provided.</p> <p>Corresponding to the below criteria in APPENDIX V – ANNEX A COMPLIANCE STATUS CATEGORIES :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CPC has not submitted or reported information or data for the obligation; The CPC has failed to meet a reporting or submission deadline by more than 15 days; Failure to implement, monitor or ensure compliance with an obligation. |
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Assessment Score: Non-Compliant Category 2 - N/C2

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| <p><u>LEG</u>: N/A AND/OR <u>STD</u>: The CPC has NOT provided the Implementation Report. All mandatory sections/sub-sections/questions applicable NOT completed/responded, in two or more consecutive years. AND/OR <u>SP</u>: N/A</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>STD</u>: NO - Implementation Report NOT provided, in two or more consecutive years. <p>Corresponding to the below criteria in APPENDIX V – ANNEX A COMPLIANCE STATUS CATEGORIES :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Failure to implement, monitor or ensure compliance with the same obligation for two or more consecutive years; |
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Assessment Score: Not Applicable - N/A

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| <p>IR mandatory for all CPCs.</p> | <p>IR mandatory for all CPCs.</p> |
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