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2026 Summary Compliance Report for: Panama

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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.

Compliance elements (SP STD LEG) assessed PC NC1 NC2 are highlighted in bold.

Acronyms and definitions can be consulted on the last page of the Compliance Report.

Req. n°	Source (para n°) (year)	Information required	Deadline	Previous status	Current status	Observations	CPC remarks	CPC Follow-up and/or Remedial actions/CoC-COM Rec(s)

1. Implementation obligations

2. Management Standards

3. Reporting on Vessels

4. Vessel Monitoring System

5. Mandatory statistical requirement – Flag State CPCs

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

7. Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Vessels

8. Transhipments

9. Observers

10. Statistical document programme

11. Port inspection

Summary of Panama 2026 compliance assessment (1st Special Session (CoC23))

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 (%)
6	0	0	0	84	0	100

Current issues on the level of implementation by Panama of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures identified for discussion in the CoC23 in 2026

Having reviewed the 2026 Draft Compliance Report for Panama, 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 (2025)	Current status (2026)

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

Current issues N/C2 by Panama of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures identified in the CoC23 in 2026

Having reviewed the 2026 Compliance Report for Panama, the Chair of the Compliance Committee has identified the following significant non-compliance issues N/C2.

IOTC Rules of Procedure, Appendix V – Annex A Compliance status categories :
Follow-up action needed*: the CPC 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 Compliance Action Plan must be submitted in the e-MARIS Campaign CoC24.

Non-compliance issues N/C2

Requirement	Information required	Observations	Current status (2026)

Note: if the table above is empty, it means there were no N/C2 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.
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”).