



RESOLUTION 11/02

ON THE PROHIBITION OF FISHING ON DATA BUOYS



# REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

In this resolution the reporting requirements are encapsulated in the word 'encourage' and thus are not mandatory, however, CPCs are so encouraged to report any damaged buoys they encounter with identifying information (paragraph 6).

There is one event based reporting requirement for the flag State, and that is the requirement to report to the IOTC Secretariat of any reports received on any damaged or inoperable data buoys.



# REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: FORMAT AND CONTENT

There is no formal reporting template for this Resolution.

REPORTING REQUIREMENT 1:

REPORT ON ANY DAMAGED OR INOPERABLE DATA BUOYS WITH LOCATION AND IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

#### IMPLEMENTATION

- <u>How to report</u>: The flag State CPC should address an official letter to the Commission (through the Secretariat), where it details the matter and the action taken. Supporting evidence should be annexed to the letter, in order to substantiate the facts related therein.
- <u>Reporting format:</u> Official letter with annexes.
- Where to send the information: The letter should be mailed to iotc-secretariat@fao.org

#### <u>REPORTING REQUIREMENT 2:</u> REPORT THE LOCATION OF DATA BUOY THAT THEY HAVE DEPLOYED THROUGHOUT THE IOTC AREA OF COMPETENCE

#### IMPLEMENTATION

- <u>How to report</u>: The flag State CPC should address an official letter to the Commission (through the Secretariat), where it provide the location of data buoy deployed.
- <u>Reporting format:</u> Official letter.
- Where to send the information: The letter should be mailed to iotc-secretariat@fao.org

### COOPERATION REQUIREMENTS

There are none in this resolution.

# OBLIGATIONS OF THE INDUSTRY

- Fishing vessels operating in the IOTC area of competence must avoid fishing gear entanglement or directly interacting in any way with those data buoys.
- Fishing vessels that become entangled with a data buoy must remove the entangled fishing gear with as little damage to the data buoy as possible.
- Fishing vessels must report to flag State regarding any data buoys observed to be damaged or otherwise inoperable along with the date of observation, buoy location, and any discernable identifying information contained on the data buoy.

## OBLIGATIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT

There are none in this resolution.

### **OBLIGATIONS OF THE COMMISSION & BODIES**

There are none in this resolution.



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