

**JOINT IATTC AND WCPFC-NC WORKING GROUP
FIFTH CATCH DOCUMENTATION SCHEME TECHNICAL MEETING
(CDS-05)**

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**Suggested Elements to be Included in a
Conservation and Management Measure for Pacific Bluefin Tuna CDS**

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Republic of Korea

Explanatory Note

At the 4th CDS Technical Meeting, the participants requested that Korea produce a paper, based on the past documents, on elements to be included in a CMM, and submit it to the Small Working Group for further discussion (paragraph 9 of the Chair's Summary of the 4th CDS Technical Meeting).

This paper has considered past discussions on the scope and functions of a draft CMM for the development of CDS, which led to the agreement that such a CMM would:

- i. not include seafood traceability and not go beyond the scope of the bluefin tuna CDSs utilized by the CCSBT and ICCAT, and
- ii. not include specific monitoring, controlling and surveillance measures.

This paper suggests thirteen (13) elements to be included in a WCPFC CDS CMM, with potential discussion points for each element:

1. General Provisions and Application
2. Registers Required
3. Documents and Information Required
4. Tagging
5. Validation
6. Data Sharing and Confidentiality
7. Verification
8. Communication
9. Interaction with Domestic Program
10. Exceptional Arrangements
11. Implementation and Review

12. Reconciliation process for any data discrepancies

13. CDS Forms (Annexes)

High-level discussions on the principle and key points will lay the foundation for drafting a CMM that meets the need for a CDS in the context of the WCPFC.

Elements for a PBF CDS and Potential Discussion Points

Elements	Potential Discussion Points
1. General Provisions and Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Purpose and objectives ♦ Area of application (WCPO / the entire Pacific) ♦ Definition of relevant terms
2. Registers Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ What should be registered for the implementation of CDS? (farms, vessels, etc)
3. Documents and Information Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ What information is required? (Vessel, catch, trade, transfer, transshipment, etc)
4. Tagging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Tagging necessary? ♦ Applicability to non-selective gears (purse seine, set nets, etc)
5. Validation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Who are responsible for completing CDs? ♦ Who are responsible for validating a completed CDs / Export & Import CDs?
6. Data Sharing and Confidentiality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Who is allowed to access the relevant information? ♦ Confidentiality policies and rules ♦ Secretariat's roles ♦ ISC's access to the relevant data
7. Verification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Who are responsible for verifying CDs? ♦ Cooperation process between Members
8. Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ point of contact ♦ Means of communication ♦ Secretariat's roles ♦ Timeframe
9. Interaction with Domestic Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ How to reconcile a WCPFC CDS with existing/ currently developing domestic program?
10. Exceptional Arrangements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Specially Validated CD in the case where the responsible authority has to sell seized / confiscated PBF? ♦ Force-majeure situation?
11. Implementation and Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Date of effectuation ♦ Grace periods ♦ Set timeframe for review?
12. Reconciliation Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Do we need this process to reconcile the catch, export, import and domestic landing of PBF by country and by region (WCPO/EPO)? ♦ If so, the role of the Secretariat?

13. CDS Forms (Annexes)

- ♦ For farming
- ♦ For wild harvest