

## **Template for the Annual Report to the Ecologically Related Species Working Group (ERSWG)**

*(From the ERSWG 7 meeting. Changes since then are footnoted below.)*

1. Introduction
  - General comments on fishing methods by which southern bluefin tuna is caught in party fisheries (by fleet, area, and time).
  - General comments on type and magnitude of ERS caught by fishery/method.
2. Review of SBT Fisheries
  - Fleet size and distribution (brief summary of trends)
  - Distribution of Catch and Effort (Summary of catch and effort by area and fleet)
3. Fisheries Monitoring for Each Fleet
  - Summary of recent observer coverage of SBT fisheries fleets and summary of data collection activities of observers.
  - Summary of data collection activities from non observed activities.
4. Seabird
  - Summary of cpue and total numbers of seabird incidentally caught by area and fleet and list of numbers of each seabird species observed caught<sup>1</sup>.
  - Summary of seabird capture from non observed sources<sup>1</sup>.
5. Other Non-target Fish
  - Summary of cpue and total numbers of shark and the predominant non-target fish species by area and fleet<sup>1</sup>.
6. Marine Mammal and Marine Reptile
  - Summary of total numbers of marine mammal and marine reptile incidentally caught<sup>1</sup>.
7. Mitigation Measures to Minimise Seabird and Other Species Bycatch

*Current Measures*

  - Mandatory Measures for Each Fleet
    - Description of each measure
    - Compliance Monitoring System (i.e. how is compliance measured)
    - Level of Compliance for each measure
  - Voluntary Measures for Each Fleet
    - Description of each measure
    - Proportion of fleet using each measure and how this proportion was determined

*Measures under Development/Testing*

  - Description of each measure being developed and tested
  - Lead agency undertaking research
  - Description of any collaboration
  - Results to date
  - Planned development/testing for next year
  - Expected completion date and report to ERSWG

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<sup>1</sup> In addition, ERSWG 8 recommended (and CCSBT 16 endorsed) that Members and Cooperating Non-Members should include the information shown in Attachment 4 of the ERSWG 8 report, in future national reports to the ERSWG and including both interaction with ERS and mortalities of ERS. This information should also be provided by species (including the scientific name) wherever possible in either the national report or other reports submitted to the ERSWG.

## 8. Public Relations and Education Activities

### *Public Relations Activities*

- media releases
- information booklets, posters, other written material
- video
- public presentations
  - trade shows
  - forums, conference
  - school/university group

### *Education*

- crew training, especially ship masters
- trainee fishers
- engineers
- managers
- observers

### *Information Exchange*

- research
- educational materials
- other regional fisheries organisations
- international organisations
- non-member states and entities
- review of new ideas obtained from crew debriefings or ship fishing reports

## 9. Information on other ERS (non-bycatch) such as prey and predator species

## 10. Others

- Information obtained concerning ERS related fishing activities of non-party fleets.

## 11. Implementation of the IPOA-Seabirds and IPOA-Sharks

- A description of activities undertaken for the implementation of NPOAs as they relate to SBT fisheries. The emphasis should be on updates and recent activities.

*Also note that CCSBT 9 specified that Members should provide a summary of papers submitted to the ERSWG meeting in their national report (see paragraph 89 of the CCSBT 9 report).*