



CCSBT-CC/2510/11

Progress Update on the CCSBT's eCDS Project CCSBT eCDS プロジェクトの進捗状況に関するアップデート

1. Introduction 序論

This paper provides an update on the progress of the development of the CCSBT electronic Catch Documentation Scheme (eCDS). At CCSBT 31 Members endorsed a full implementation date of 1 April 2026, subject to the CDS Resolution being finalised at CCSBT 32. The paper focuses on eCDS implementation and what remains to be done in preparation for that. Previous decisions and developments during the trial eCDS phase can be found in paper [CCSBT-CC/2410/19](#) and earlier versions of that paper¹ from CC meetings prior to CC19.

本文書では、CCSBT 電子漁獲証明制度（eCDS）の開発にかかる進捗状況のアップデートを提示する。CCSBT 31 において、メンバーは、CCSBT 32 において CDS 決議が最終化されることを条件に、eCDS の全面的な導入日を 2026 年 4 月 1 日とすることを承認した。本文書では、eCDS の導入、及びそれに向けた準備作業として何が残されているかに重点を置く。過去の決定及び eCDS 試行期間中における開発状況は文書 CCSBT-CC/2410/19 及び CC 19 以前の CC 19 会合に提出された過去の文書のとおりである。

There are four sections to this paper:

本文書は以下の 4 セクションで構成されている。

1. Current status of the eCDS software
eCDS ソフトウェアの現状
2. Outstanding functionality and issues
未解決の機能及び課題
3. Proposed workplan and budget
作業計画案及び予算案
4. Recommendations
勧告

2. Current Status of the eCDS Software eCDS ソフトウェアの現状

Development of the eCDS has been completed with work now focussing on refinement and the adding of final features. It is currently hosted on a test server and is functional for all five CDS forms:

eCDS の開発そのものは完了しており、現在の作業は機能の改善及び最終的な機能の追加に重点化している。現在はテストサーバー上でホストされており、以下の 5 種類の CDS 様式が全て機能している。

- Catch Monitoring Form (CMF)
漁獲モニタリング様式 (CMF)

¹ [CCSBT-CC/2310/16](#), [CCSBT-CC/2210/17](#), [CCSBT-CC/2110/15](#), [CCSBT-CC/2010/14](#)

- Catch Tagging Form (CTF)
漁獲標識様式 (CTF)
- Re-Export / Export After Landing of Domestic Product Form (REEF)
再輸出／国産品水揚げ後の輸出様式 (REEF)
- Farm Stocking Form (FSF)
蓄養活け込み様式 (FSF)
- Farm Transfer Form (FTF)
蓄養移送様式 (FTF)

The test server has recently been upgraded to a higher performance plan, similar to the final production eCDS, so that it will give a better user experience when being tested. Previously the application would enter sleep mode when not in use and would take a few minutes to wake up if someone tried to access it for testing and was not very responsive.

最近においてテストサーバーは eCDS の最終製品に近いハイパフォーマンスプランにアップグレードされたので、ユーザーによる eCDS テスト時の感覚が向上している。以前は不使用时にアプリがスリープモードに入る仕様となっており、誰かがアクセスを試みた場合にシステム復帰まで数分を要し、反応が良くなかったところである。

3. Outstanding Functionality and Issues 未解決の機能及び課題

Since CC 19, the eCDS Working Group convened twice to work through outstanding issues². This section of the paper lists issues that still require Members attention.

CC 19 以降、未解決の課題に対処するための eCDS 作業部会が 2 回開催された。このセッションでは、メンバーの注意を喚起したい課題を列記する。

Additional work remaining includes the following:

追加的な作業が残されている項目は以下のとおりである。

- Translations for languages other than English, Japanese, and traditional Chinese, if required.;
必要に応じた、英語、日本語及び繁体中国語以外の言語への翻訳
- Ongoing testing to confirm functionality / error checks and eliminate bugs;
機能／エラーチェックの確認及びバグ除去のための継続的なテスト
- Testing by Member eCDS Administrators (for Members to manage their own industry and government users);
メンバーの eCDS 管理者によるテスト（それぞれの業界及び政府ユーザーを管理するメンバー向け）
- Implement cross-checking of CMF Transshipment information with transshipment data received from carrier vessels and other RFMOs;
CMF 転載情報と運搬船及び他 RFMO から受領した転載データとのクロスチェック機能の実装
- Updating user manuals, training videos and other resources;
ユーザーマニュアル、トレーニングビデオ及びその他のリソースのアップデート

² Draft summaries of these meetings can be found [eCDS Meeting Summary - 20 May 2025](#) and [eCDS Meeting Summary – 29 May 2025](#)

- Industry training and support – Note that the Secretariat does not have the resources to train and provide support for industry users. The Secretariat has created a series of introductory videos in English and Japanese that are a useful resource, but Members will have to arrange their own training and support structure for their industry as is currently the case for the existing paper-based system. The Secretariat would also recommend involving a broad range of industry participants in the testing of the system to ensure that different sections of the industry are given time to test and become familiar with the eCDS.

業界テスト及びサポート。なお、事務局は業界ユーザーのトレーニング及びサポートを行うためのリソースを有していないことに留意されたい。事務局は、便利なリソースとして英語版及び日本語版の導入ビデオシリーズを作成したが、現行の紙ベース CDS の場合と同様に、メンバーはそれぞれの業界に対して独自にトレーニング及びサポート体制を構築する必要がある。また事務局は、業界の各所に十分なテスト期間が与えられ eCDS に慣れることができるよう確保するべく、システムのテストには業界から幅広い参加者を募ることを勧告する。

There are four key issues that require input from Members:

メンバーからのインプットを要する主要課題は以下の 4 点である。

1. Finalisation of CDS documents
CDS 文書の最終化
2. How to handle system failure / lack of internet
システム障害／インターネットに接続できない場合の対処方法
3. Processed Codes to Replace ‘Other’ (OT)
「その他 (OT)」に代わる製品タイプコード
4. Revision to the CDS Resolution to accommodate an eCDS
eCDS に対応するための CDS 決議の改正

3.1. Issue 1 - Finalisation of CDS Documents

課題 1 - CDS 文書の最終化

Attachment A contains the proposed approach for the procedures to finalise eCDS documents for Members’ consideration. This process incorporates the feedback received from Members during the eCDS working Group meetings during May 2025.

メンバーの検討に向けて、eCDS 文書を最終化するための手続き案を別紙 A に示した。このプロセスには、2025 年 5 月に開催した eCDS 作業部会会合においてメンバーから得られたフィードバックが取り入れられている。

3.2. Issue 2 – How to Handle System Failure / Lack of Internet

課題 2 - システム障害／インターネットに接続できない場合の対処方法

The process for cases of system failure was discussed extensively during the two eCDS Working Group meetings and the draft process was made available to Members in the amended Resolution for further review and amendment after the working group meetings. The key concerns raised by Members include:

システム障害発生時のプロセスについては 2 回の eCDS 作業部会会合の際に活発に議論され、会合後に更なるレビュー及び修正を行うため、メンバーに対して決議改正案の一部としてどうプロセス案がメンバーに回章された。メンバーから提起された主な懸念点は以下のとおりである。

- Ensuring that the process does not unnecessarily impede SBT fishing and supply chain operations.
当該プロセスが SBT 漁業及びサプライチェーンの業務を不必要に阻害しないよう確保すること

- The process needs to support continued operation when issues may occur outside of normal business hours.
当該プロセスは、通常の業務時間外に問題が発生した場合でも業務継続をサポートものである必要があること
- There needs to be a mechanism for authorities in importing Members that will not have access to the eCDS system to confirm the authenticity of offline eCDS forms.
eCDS システムにアクセスできない輸入メンバーの当局が、オフライン eCDS 様式が真正であると確認するためのメカニズムが必要であること
- Verification by authorities that are not eCDS users should be through a push to verify (search on a form number) mechanism, rather than information being publicly available.
eCDS ユーザーでない当局による確認は、情報の一般公開ではなく、プッシュ・トゥ・ベリファイ（フォーム番号で検索）のメカニズムを通じて行うべきこと
- Partially completed forms should be able to be printed and completed manually, rather than industry having to start the whole process from the beginning.
途中まで記入された様式については、業界に全プロセスを最初からやり直させるのではなく、印刷して手作業により記入できるようにすべきこと
- Primary verification for import certification should be completed by eCDS users.
輸入証明に関する一義的な確認は、eCDS ユーザーによって行われるべきこと
- The eCDS system should have an audit capability to allow for the monitoring of changes made to forms after certification or validation (whichever occurs last).
eCDS システムは、証明又は確認（いずれか後に行われた方）の後に行われた様式の修正をモニタリングできるような監査機能を有すべきこと

Following the eCDS Working Group meetings, the Secretariat has continued to work with Members to ensure that the draft process included in the updated CDS Resolution can best address these concerns. The current draft process is included as Appendix 1 to the draft updated CDS Resolution. The key updated elements of the proposed process are also described below: eCDS 作業部会会合後、事務局は、CDS 決議改正案に組み込まれるプロセス案が上記の懸念に最善な形で対応したものとなるよう確保するため、メンバーとの作業を継続した。現在の当該プロセス案は、改正 CDS 決議案の別添 1 として組み込まれている。また当該プロセス案における主要な修正点を以下に示す。

- The Secretariat will provide offline document numbers for Members. These numbers will be “activated” in the eCDS when they are issued to members.
事務局は、メンバーに対してオフライン文書番号を提供する。これらの番号は、メンバー向けに発行された時点で、eCDS 上で「アクティベート」される。
- The CCSBT Secretariat will report on the CCSBT website any global system outages (system failures and/or periods of unavailability).
CCSBT 事務局は、CCSBT ウェブサイト上で全体的なシステム停止情報（システム障害及び／又は使用不可期間）を報告する。
- Member, CNM and OSEC competent authorities will be able to search Offline CDS Document Number/s to confirm that they are legitimate. An Offline CDS Document Number will be required to initiate the search.
メンバー、CNM 及び OSEC の当局は、オフライン CDS 文書番号が合法的なものであるかどうかを確認するための検索を行うことができる。検索を行うにはオフライン CDS 文書番号が必要となる。
- When an Offline CDS Document is issued, the issuing Member will ensure that when the details of the document are entered in the eCDS, the reason for the use of the offline form is also captured in the system.
オフライン CDS 文書が発行された場合、発行したメンバーは、文書の詳細が eCDS に入力される際、オフライン様式を使用した理由がシステム上でも捕捉されるよう確保する。

Members are asked to please review the draft process included as Appendix 1 to the draft Resolution.

メンバーは、決議改正案別添 1 に示した当該プロセス案をレビューするよう要請されている。

3.3. Issue 3 – Proposal for Processed Codes in the eCDS

課題 3 - eCDS における製品タイプコードに関する提案

This issue was also discussed extensively at the eCDS Working Group Meetings. Some Members raised broader compliance concerns around the use of conversion factors and suggested that this may require discussion at the Compliance Committee. Further discussion on the use of processed codes and the related conversion factors is included in paper [CCSBT-CC/2510/10](#).

この課題については eCDS 作業部会において活発に検討された。一部のメンバーは、変換係数の使用に関して広範な遵守上の懸念があると提起し、本件については遵守委員会での検討を要すると考えられることを述べた。製品タイプコードの使用及び関連する変換係数に関するさらなる検討は文書 CCSBT-CC/2510/10 のとおりである。

To support the implementation of the eCDS, the Secretariat proposes that all currently used processed codes would be available in the eCDS, so that 'Other' would be unnecessary or used very rarely³. However, to simplify the interface, the Secretariat's proposes that it also works with Members to ensure that only those processed codes that it uses will be visible to its eCDS users. This will make it easier for eCDS users to find the required processed codes within the eCDS. eCDS の導入を支援するため、事務局は現在使用されている全ての製品タイプコードを eCDS において利用可能とすることを提案する。これにより、「その他」を使う必要がなくなるか、又はほとんど使用されないものと考えられる。しかしながら、インターフェースを簡素化するため、事務局はメンバーと協力し、あるメンバーが使用する製品タイプコードのみが同メンバーの eCDS ユーザーに表示されるようにすることを提案する。これにより、eCDS ユーザーは eCDS 上で必要な製品タイプコードを確認しやすくなる。

3.4. Issue 4 – Preparation of a Revised CDS Resolution

課題 4 - 改正 CDS 決議案の作成

The Secretariat developed a draft revision of the CDS Resolution to facilitate the eCDS and circulated this to the eCDS Working Group in March 2022. A second version of the draft resolution, incorporating Members comments, was circulated to the Working Group in May 2022. 事務局は、eCDS を促進するための CDS 決議改正案を作成し、2022 年 3 月の eCDS 作業部会にこれを回章した。メンバーからのコメントを取り入れた二次案は 2022 年 5 月の作業部会に回章された。

The draft resolution was then presented to Members at CC 17, where it was noted that it was close to being finalised and would be considered at CC 18. It was then considered at CC 18, but the meeting deferred the review of the resolution to CC 19. An updated CDS Resolution was again considered at CC 19. CC 19 requested that:

その後、改正決議案は CC 17 においてメンバーに提示され、最終案に近づいていること及び CC 18 において検討されることが留意された。CC 18 においてこれが検討されたが、会合は決議のレビューを CC 19 に先送りした。CDS 決議改定案は CC 19 において改めて検討され、CC 19 は以下を要請した。

³ Members had previously agreed to limit the use of 'Other' and to use the appropriate processed code in the eCDS instead. メンバーは以前、eCDS では「その他」の使用を制限し、その代わりに適切な製品コードを使用することに合意した。

“the revised CDS resolution include the details of a paper-based system to be used in the case that the eCDS is not operational is attached as an appendix. It was further requested that when the eCDS is not operational there be notification on the CCSBT website”⁴.

「eCDS が運用できない場合に利用される紙ベースのシステムにかかる詳細を別添として改正 CDS 決議に含めることが要望された。さらに、eCDS が稼働していない状況の際は、その旨を CCSBT ウェブサイト上で表示することが要望された。」

The Secretariat further updated the CDS Resolution, which included those amendments already considered by Members since CC 17. The updated Resolution was discussed at the second eCDS working Group meeting and Members were taken through all of the proposed changes. The draft Amended CDS Resolution was made available to Members following the eCDS Working Group Meetings for further comment and amendment as required. Alongside this, the Secretariat continued to work with Members to progress key outstanding issues (such as the processes in cases of system failure or lack of internet).

事務局は、CC 17 以降にメンバーにより既に検討された修正点を含める形で CDS 決議改正案をさらにアップデートした。決議案は第二回 eCDS 作業部会会合で検討され、メンバーは提案された全ての修正点について説明を受けた。CDS 決議改正案は、eCDS 作業部会後にさらなるコメント及び必要に応じた修正のためにメンバーに回章された。これと並行して、主要な未解決課題（システム障害又はインターネット接続がない場合の手続き等）を進捗させるべくメンバーとの作業を継続した。

The current amended version of the draft CDS Resolution is provided at **Attachment B** with all changes to the current Resolution text shows in tracked changes. The tracked changes to the “procedures to allow the issuance of paper CDS forms or printed eCDS forms” (Appendix 1) show the text from the Secretariat’s initially proposed process as the original text, with changes to this draft process proposed by Members, and changes following the Secretariat’s continued work with Members, shown in the tracked changes. Where Members have left comments, these have also been left in the document. There are links in the document to the updated CDS forms which will be included in the Appendices to the final updated CDS Resolution, consistent with Members request to retain the CDS documents in the Resolution.

最新の改正 CDS 決議案を、既存の文言からの修正部分は全て見え消し修正とした形で別紙 B に示した。「紙の CDS 様式又は印刷した eCDS 様式を発行するための手続き」（別添 1）に対する見え消し修正は、事務局が当初提案したプロセス案の文言に、メンバーから提案された修正及び事務局とメンバーとの協議を踏まえた修正を示している。メンバーがコメントを付した場合はこれらも文書に掲載されている。文書内には改訂された CDS 様式へのリンクが含まれており、これらの様式は、決議に CDS 文書を保持することとしたメンバーからの要請を踏まえ、最終的な改正 CDS 決議の別添として取り入れられる予定である。

The Secretariat has also attached a CDS Resolution Update discussion document at **Attachment C**. This document was presented to the eCDS Working Group meeting explains the changes that have been proposed to the main text in the CDS Resolution to facilitate the eCDS implementation.

また事務局は、CDS 決議の改正に関する検討文書を別紙 C に示した。この文書は、eCDS の実施を促進するために CDS 決議本文に関して提案された修正を説明するために eCDS 作業部会に提示されたものである。

⁴ CC 19 Report, Paragraph 115.

4. Proposed Workplan and Budget

作業計画案及び予算案

4.1. Indicative Workplan

暫定作業計画

The following is an indicative schedule of the work remaining:

残されている作業にかかる暫定的な作業計画は以下のとおりである。

2025 (final quarter):

2025 年（最終四半期）

- Continuation of testing by the Secretariat, Members, and industry
事務局、メンバー及び業界によるテストの継続
- Modifications to the system as required
必要に応じたシステム改修
- Update and further development of resources to support implementation
実施をサポートするためのリソースのアップデート及びさらなる策定

2026:

- Quarter One – Continued update and further development of resources to support implementation
第 1 四半期 - 実施をサポートするためのリソースのアップデート及びさらなる策定の継続
- Full implementation of the eCDS on April 1, 2026
2026 年 4 月 1 日に eCDS の全面的導入
- Development of reports for Members and the Secretariat
メンバー及び事務局の報告書の作成
- Maintenance of the system
システムのメンテナンス

4.2. Budget

予算

The development of the eCDS continues to be a relatively inexpensive project. At the end of 2025, it is expected that the total expenditure on the project (excluding Secretariat staff time) will be ~\$260,000. The approximate expected expenditure for future years is:

依然として、eCDS は比較的安価なプロジェクトとなっている。2025 年終了時点において、本プロジェクトにかかった総費用（事務局スタッフの時間は除く）は最大で 260,000 ドルと見込まれている。将来において想定される概算費用は以下のとおりである。

- 2026: \$40,000 (further modifications as required); and
2026 年：40,000 ドル（必要に応じたさらなる改修）
- 2027: \$40,000 (full implementation and maintenance)
2027 年：40,000 ドル（全面的実施及びメンテナンス）

These budgets are subject to change based on Member decisions relating to additional functionality and reporting tools.

これらの予算は、追加的な機能や報告ツールに関するメンバーの決定次第で変更される可能性がある。

5. Recommendations

勧告

The Compliance Committee is invited to review, comment, and make necessary recommendations to EC on:

遵守委員会は、以下についてレビュー及びコメントし、また EC に対して必要な勧告を行うよう招請されている。

- The updated eCDS document finalisation processes included as **Attachment A**;
別紙 A に示した eCDS 文書の最終化プロセスの改訂版
- The draft revision of the CDS Resolution to facilitate the eCDS at **Attachments B**;
別紙 B に示した、eCDS を促進するための CDS 決議改正案
- The Secretariat's proposal to include all processed codes that are currently used in the eCDS when it is implemented;
eCDS の導入時点においては現在使用されている全ての製品タイプコードを含めるとした事務局提案
- The proposed workplan; and
作業計画案
- The proposed budget.
予算案

Prepared by the Secretariat

事務局作成文書

eCDS Document Finalisation

In the paper-based CDS, a form is essentially finalised when the form is sent from a Member to the Secretariat and has been entered into the CDS database. At this point, the Member has submitted the form, the data has been entered, and the Member cannot make any further changes to the form without involving the Secretariat. However, a form of interim finalisation also occurs after the form, or data, is provided to the issuing Member. At this stage, industry cannot change the form or data without the assistance of the issuing Member authorities.

A similar finalisation process is proposed to be established within the eCDS and this will occur automatically. There will be two stages of finalisation:

1. The first stage (interim finalisation) will occur at the timeframes specified in bullet points **i – iv** below. After interim finalisation, the CDS forms can only be altered by authorised users within Member government authorities (nominated by the Member) and/or the Secretariat.
2. The second stage (finalisation) will occur quarterly, consistent with current CDS document submission deadlines and CDS documents will be finalised at the end of the following quarter (e.g. quarter 1 CDS documents will be finalised at the end of 30 June). After this time, CDS documents cannot be changed without Secretariat involvement and Secretariat involvement should only occur in exceptional circumstances.

It is proposed that the interim finalisation process will be completed progressively for different sections included in the different CDS forms.

If a form, or section of a form, is validated then only the validator that completed that validation, authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the validation to allow the data to be amended and re-certified and re-validated.

If a form, or section of a form, is certified, but not validated, then only the user that certified that form or section of the form, authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the certification to allow the data to be amended and re-certified.

Once interim finalisation occurs, only authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat will be able to remove the validation or certification to alter the applicable section of the form.

i. Farm Stocking Forms (FSFs)

The last step on this form is validation by a government authorised validator. Interim finalisation of FSFs will occur automatically 120 hours after this form is validated. After this time, only authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the validation to allow the data to be altered and re-validated.

ii. Farm Transfer Forms (FTFs)

The last step on this form is the certification by both the transferring and receiving farm. Interim finalisation will occur automatically 120 hours after the last of these certifications is completed. After this time, only authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the certification to allow the data to be altered and re-certified.

iii. Catch Monitoring Forms (CMFs) and Re-Export/Export After Landing of Domestic Product Forms (REEFs)

The interim finalisation of the harvest section of the CMF will automatically occur 120 hours after the harvest section of the form is validated. After this time, only authorised users within Member

government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the validation to allow the data to be altered and re-validated.

For transshipments, the interim finalisation of the transshipment section will automatically occur 120 hours after the transshipment section of the form is certified. After this time, only authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the certification to allow the data to be altered and re-certified.

Currently the export and import sections of CMFs and REEFs are finalised at different times (when the forms are received from the exporting/importing Member and the data is entered in the CDS database). Interim finalisation of the export and import information on these forms will continue to occur separately. This will ensure that exporting Members are not dependent on importing Members to finalise forms that include their harvest and export data. It will also mean that forms for exports outside of CCSBT Members will not remain 'open'.

For exports, the last step on CMFs and REEFs for the exporting Member is the validation of the export section by a government authorised validator. Interim finalisation of the export sections of CMFs and REEFs will automatically occur 120 hours after the export section of the form is validated. After this time, only authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the validation to allow the data to be altered and re-validated

For landings of domestic product and imports by Members, Cooperating Non-Members, and Non-Members participating in the CDS (such as the US), the final step on these forms is a certification by the domestic receiver/purchaser or importer of the product (or a government official may certify the forms on behalf of the domestic receiver/purchaser or importer). Interim finalisation of the final product destination section on CMFs, and the import section of REEFs will automatically occur 120 hours after the final certification occurs. After this time, only authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the certification to allow the import data to be altered and re-certified.

iv. Catch Tagging Forms (CTFs)

Catch tagging data is no longer captured in a separate Catch Tagging Form but is associated with the applicable CMF on a Tags tab alongside the CMF. Interim finalisation of the catch tagging data would occur automatically when interim finalisation occurs to the harvest section of the CMF. After this time, only authorised users within Member government authorities and/or the Secretariat may cancel the certification to allow the tagging data to be altered and re-certified.

v. Alerts when Validation or Certification is Cancelled

Alerts will be created in the eCDS to notify the responsible Members when a validation or certification has been cancelled. Members will be able to monitor these alerts to ensure they can respond if, or as, needed.

Resolution on the Implementation of a CCSBT Catch Documentation Scheme

(revised at the ~~Twenty-Third-Eighth-Second~~ Annual meeting: ~~13-09~~ October 202~~4~~5)

Referring to the principles adopted to guide the development of a catch documentation scheme (CDS) at CCSBT12 in 2005 and the 'Resolution on the implementation of a CDS to record all catch of Southern Bluefin Tuna regardless of whether the Southern Bluefin tuna were traded', adopted at CCSBT 13 in 2006;

Noting the need for Members and Cooperating Non-Members to provide for the tracking and validation of legitimate product flow from catch to the point of first sale on domestic or export markets;

Bearing in mind the need to achieve harmonisation of Catch Documentation Schemes across Regional Fisheries Management Organisations;

Emphasising that a CDS must be applied consistently and comprehensively across all sectors of the global SBT fishery to accurately confirm the SBT catch by each Member and Cooperating Non-member;

Recalling the Commission's commitment to move from a paper-based CDS to an electronic CDS to improve the accuracy and timeliness of reporting;

In accordance with Article 8.3(b) of the Convention on the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna, the Extended Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT) adopts the following measure to monitor compliance with the Commission's conservation measures:

1. General Provisions and Application

1.1 All Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall implement the CCSBT CDS for southern bluefin tuna (SBT) to document the movement of all SBT as outlined in this resolution. The CCSBT CDS incorporates CCSBT CDS documentation and tagging of SBT.

1.1.1 Commencing on 1 April 2026, all CDS documents shall be completed electronically within the CCSBT's electronic Catch Documentation Scheme (eCDS), except for in the circumstances specified in Appendix 1 in which the paper forms included in Appendix 2 shall be used. From this date, any reference in this Resolution to a CDS document or a CDS form shall be understood to refer to documents and forms completed within the eCDS, except where paper forms are used in the limited circumstances specified in Appendix 1.

~~1.1.1.1.2~~ 1.1.2 The instruction sheets associated with each CDS form included in Appendix 2 shall apply to forms completed in the eCDS and paper forms used in the limited circumstances specified in Appendix 1.

1.2 For transshipments, landings of domestic product¹, exports, imports and re-exports under the jurisdiction of a Member or Cooperating Non-Member or Other

¹ The term 'landing of domestic product' means a landing of SBT by a CCSBT-authorized fishing/carrier vessel into the territory of a Member or Cooperating Non-Member whose National Allocation the SBT was attributed against and which issued the CDS documents the SBT are recorded on.

- State/Fishing Entity Cooperating in the CDS (OSEC²), all SBT shall be accompanied³ by a document described in section 3 of this resolution. There is no waiver of this requirement. However, the exportation/import of fish parts other than the meat⁴ (*i.e.* head, eyes, roe, guts, tails and fins) may be allowed without the document.
- 1.3 Transfers of SBT into and between farms under the jurisdiction of a Member or Cooperating Non-Member shall be documented on the Farm Stocking Form and Farm Transfer Form as applicable.
 - 1.4 Members or Cooperating Non-Members that prohibit the sale of fish caught by recreational fishers may exempt their recreational fisheries from the requirements of the CCSBT CDS.
 - 1.5 The Commission shall request the cooperation of appropriate authorities of States other than Members and Cooperating Non-Members of the Extended Commission that are involved in catching, landing, transferring and/or farming of SBT in the implementation of this resolution.
 - 1.6 Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall not permit the landing as domestic product, transshipment, import, export and/or re-export of SBT caught by vessels not authorised to catch SBT and (if SBT farming is conducted under their jurisdiction) the transfer of SBT to or between, and harvest of SBT from, farms not authorised to farm SBT.
 - 1.7 Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall not permit whole SBT to be landed as domestic product, transhipped, exported, imported or re-exported without a tag, except that:
 - 1.7.1 in the case of farming operations, the SBT may be landed without a tag provided a tag is attached within 30 hours of kill;
 - 1.7.2 in exceptional circumstances, where a vessel on the CCSBT Record of Authorised Vessels does not have sufficient tags on board the vessel, the tag may be attached at landing;
 - 1.7.3 in exceptional circumstances, where a vessel catches SBT as unexpected bycatch and has no or insufficient tags on board, the tag may be attached at landing.
 - 1.8 In exceptional circumstances, where a tag becomes accidentally detached and cannot be reattached, a replacement tag shall be attached as soon as possible and no later than the time of landing, transshipment or export.
 - 1.9 Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall report any exceptional circumstances referred to in 1.7.2, 1.7.3 or 1.8 annually in their National reports to the Compliance Committee (CC)/ Extended Commission (EC). The Member's National report shall provide details of the exceptional circumstances, the number of SBT tagged and for 1.8, the old (where known) and new tag number(s).

² The term 'Other State/Fishing Entity Cooperating in the CDS' will be abbreviated to 'OSEC' within this resolution and means a State/Fishing Entity that has expressed its commitment, in writing, to cooperate with this resolution.

³ For the purposes of this Resolution, a CCSBT CDS document that is entered in the eCDS and validated and/or certified as required by this Resolution, shall be deemed to accompany the SBT recorded in that document.

⁴ Any meat separated from fish parts is considered to be meat in this context.

- 1.10 Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall require that tags be retained on whole SBT to at least the first point of sale for landings of domestic product, and shall encourage the retention of tags on whole fish thereafter.

2. Registers Required

- 2.1 A record of farms is to be established and maintained by the Executive Secretary to identify authorised farms.
- 2.2 A record of vessels, maintained by the Executive Secretary, identifies all authorised vessels.
- 2.3 CCSBT CDS Documents that record information for vessels and/or farms not included on the above-mentioned authorised registers shall not be considered valid Documents for the purposes of this scheme.

3. Documents and Information Required

- 3.1 The CCSBT CDS Documents are :
- 3.1.1 Farm Stocking Form – records information on the catch, towing and farming of SBT
- 3.1.2 Farm Transfer Form – records information on the transfers of SBT between farms
- 3.1.3 Catch Monitoring Form – records information on the catch, landing, transshipment, export, and import of all SBT regardless of whether farmed or not, including unexpected catch
- 3.1.4 Catch Tagging Form⁵ – records information on individual fish tagged as part of the CDS
- 3.1.5 Re-export or Export after Landing of Domestic Product Form – records information on SBT already tracked on the Catch Monitoring Form to the initial point of landing of domestic product or import that is, either in full or part, exported or re-exported.
- 3.2 The information to be contained in the CCSBT CDS documentation referred to in 3.1, along with associated instruction sheets, is in Appendix 1 A – D.
- 3.3 ~~Once approved forms are adopted, only minimal modifications, such as the addition of translations, may be made⁶.~~ No information field may be omitted from the standard form, except where the field is not applicable.
- 3.4 ~~Any documentation modified, as described in 3.3⁷, shall be provided to the Executive Secretary for distribution to other Members, Cooperating Non-Members, as well as Non-Members known to be involved in the landing, transshipment, import, export, or re-export of SBT.~~

⁵ The information that is required to be included in the Catch Tagging Form may be recorded in electronic format, including directly in the eCDS or by other means, by a Member or Cooperating Non-Member provided that all the required information from the Catch Tagging Form is included in the electronic record used. Additional information may be included in Catch Tagging Form or electronic records maintained by a Member or Cooperating Non-Member and at the discretion of the Member or Cooperating Non-Member.

⁶ However the Catch Tagging Form may be amended to include additional information at the discretion of the Member or Cooperating Non-Member.

⁷ With the exception of additions to the Catch Tagging Form.

~~3.53.4~~ ~~Significant~~ amendments to the forms and form content may be made only with the agreement of the Commission at its annual meeting based on recommendations from the CCSBT Compliance Committee.

~~3.63.5~~ CCSBT CDS documents must be uniquely numbered.

4. Tagging

- 4.1 Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall require that an SBT tag be attached to each whole SBT at the time of kill except:
 - 4.1.1 in the case of farming operations, the tag may be attached within 30 hours of kill;
 - 4.1.2 in exceptional circumstances, where a vessel on the CCSBT Record of Authorised Vessels does not have sufficient tags on board, the tag may be attached at landing;
 - 4.1.3 in exceptional circumstances, where a vessel catches SBT as unexpected bycatch and has no, or insufficient, tags on board, the tag may be attached at landing.
- 4.2 As outlined at 3.1.4, a Catch Tagging Form records relevant tagging information for individual SBT. The Catch Tagging Form shall be filled in as soon as practicable after the time of kill. Length and weight measurements shall be conducted before the SBT is frozen. Where measurements cannot be accurately done on board the vessel, they may be made at the time of landing or transshipment, provided the measurements and the associated Catch Tagging Form are filled in before any further transfer of the SBT.
- 4.3 ~~Completed Catch Tagging Forms shall be provided to the~~ flag Members and Cooperating Non-Members ~~which~~ shall provide the information included in the Catch Tagging Form to the Executive Secretary in an electronic format ~~on a quarterly basis~~.
- 4.4 A tagging programme shall meet the minimum procedural and information standards set out in Appendix ~~23~~.
- 4.5 Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall prohibit the unauthorised use of SBT tags.

5. Validation

- 5.1 The CCSBT CDS documentation must be validated (or ~~signed~~ include the name of the observer in the case of transshipments at sea⁸) as applicable by:
 - 5.1.1 for landings of domestic product, an official of the flag Member or Cooperating Non-Member of the catching vessel or, when the fishing vessel is operating under a charter arrangement, by a competent authority or institution of the chartering Member or Cooperating Non-Member; and
 - 5.1.2 for all SBT transshipments subject to CCSBT *Resolution on Establishing a Program for Transshipment by Large-Scale Fishing Vessels*, the CCSBT CDS documentation shall list the full name of the observer required by that resolution; and

⁸ CDS documents completed for SBT caught prior to the implementation of the eCDS must also be signed by the observer.

- 5.1.3 for all export of SBT, an official of the exporting Member or Cooperating Non-Member; and
- 5.1.4 for all re-export of SBT, an official of the re-exporting Member, Cooperating Non-Member, or OSEC.
- 5.2 The authority to validate CDS documents may be delegated to an authorised person by an official of the relevant State/fishing entity. Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs who utilise delegated person/s shall submit a certified copy of such delegation/s to the Executive Secretary. The individual who certifies a CCSBT CDS Document shall not be the same person who validates the Document.
- 5.3 Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall provide to the Executive Secretary information on validation (including type of validation, name of the organization which validates the documents, title and name and signature of officials who validate the documents, sample impression of stamp or seal, and a list of all persons holding delegated authority to validate CCSBT CDS documentation prior to those officials and persons exercising the authority). Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall inform the Executive Secretary of any changes in a timely fashion.
- 5.4 The Executive Secretary will maintain and update the information specified in 5.3 and provide it to all Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs and promptly circulate any changes.
- 5.5 Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall not validate any CCSBT CDS documentation referred to in 3.1 that is not complete, has obviously incorrect information, or has not been validated as required by this resolution.
- 5.6 No Member or Cooperating Non-Member or OSEC shall accept any SBT for transshipment, landing of domestic product, export, import, or re-export where any or all required documents do not accompany the relevant consignment of SBT, where fields of information required on the form are not completed, or where the form has not been validated as required by this resolution.
- 5.7 Full or partial consignments of untagged whole SBT must not be validated or accepted for transshipment, landing of domestic product, export (including export after landing of domestic product), import or re-export (except where the tag is no longer required to be attached to the SBT because further processing has occurred, as outlined at Appendix 23).
- 5.8 Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall undertake an appropriate level of audit, including inspections of vessels, landings, and where possible markets, to the extent necessary to validate the information contained in the CDS documentation.
- 5.9 Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall include in their annual review of SBT fisheries, details on the level of coverage and type of audit undertaken, in accordance with 5.8, and the level of compliance.

6. Exchange of Information and Confidentiality of Data

- 6.1 Any CCSBT CDS document that is entered into the eCDS and validated and/or certified, as required by this Resolution, shall be deemed to have been retained by the Member, Cooperating Non-Member or OSEC, and to have been forwarded to the Executive Secretary.

- ~~6.16.2~~ Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall retain all original CCSBT CDS Documents (or scanned electronic copies of the original documents) received by them for a minimum of 3 years after the most recent signed date on the form. Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall also retain a copy of any CCSBT CDS Documents issued by them for a minimum of 3 years after the most recent issuing state/entity signed date on the form. Copies of these CDS Documents (except the Catch Tagging Form⁹) shall be forwarded¹⁰ to the Executive Secretary ~~on a quarterly basis.~~
- ~~6.26.3~~ The Executive Secretary shall compile the raw data from CDS documentation into an electronic database. The Executive Secretary shall ensure the confidentiality of the raw data in its database and release to any State/fishing entity only the raw data directly relating to the CCSBT CDS Documents it validated, or in the case of imports, that it is required to certify. If a State/fishing entity requests CCSBT CDS Documents relating to another State/fishing entity, the Executive Secretary may release those data only with the latter's agreement.
- ~~6.36.4~~ The Executive Secretary shall report to the Extended Commission on and circulate to all Members and Cooperating Non-Members the data collected by the CCSBT CDS each year by 1 June for the period of 1 January - 31 December of the preceding year and by 1 December for the period of 1 January - 30 June of the current year. The information to be contained in the reports is specified in **Appendix 34**. The Executive Secretary shall provide an electronic copy of the report only to a designated authority of each Member and Cooperating Non-Member.
- ~~6.46.5~~ The Executive Secretary will post on the public area of the CCSBT web site a subset of the report comprising:
- Flag State/fishing entity;
 - Harvest year;
 - Product destination (including landings of domestic product);
 - Gear code;
 - Net weight;
 - Estimated whole weight (calculated by applying a conversion factor to the net weight);
- ~~○ Copies of all modified CDS forms provided in accordance with paragraph 3.4.~~
- ~~6.56.6~~ On request by the Scientific Committee, Compliance Committee, or other subsidiary body of the Commission, the Executive Secretary shall, with the approval of the Commission, provide to that body data collected by the CCSBT CDS more frequently or at a greater level of detail than specified in 6.4.
- ~~6.66.7~~ The Executive Secretary shall analyse the data provided in 6.1 and notify the relevant Member(s) or Cooperating Non-Member(s) of any identified discrepancies.

7. Verification of CDS Documentation

- 7.1 Each Member and Cooperating Non-Member shall ensure that its competent authorities, or other authorised individual or institution, take steps to identify each consignment of SBT landed as domestic product in, imported into or exported or re-exported from its territory and examine the validated CCSBT CDS Documents for

⁹ Requirements to provide information in the Catch Tagging Form are set out in 4.3.

¹⁰ Either as a copy of the original form or in electronic format containing all the information in the forms.

each consignment of SBT. These competent authorities, or authorised individuals or institutions, may also examine the content of the consignment to verify the information contained in the CCSBT CDS Document and in related documents and, where necessary, shall carry out verifications with the operators concerned.

- 7.2 Each Member and Cooperating Non-Member shall review information, and investigate and resolve any irregularities identified in relation to their information in the CDS reports, including any discrepancies identified during the comparison of data from the Executive Secretary. Among other matters, Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall cross-check the report provided by the Executive Secretary under 6.4 using information available to it.
- 7.3 Each Member, Cooperating Non-Member and OSEC shall, as soon as practicable, identify to the Executive Secretary and relevant Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs, any consignments of SBT where there are:
 - 7.3.1 doubts about the information contained in any associated CDS documentation; or
 - 7.3.2 incomplete, missing or unvalidated CCSBT CDS documentation.
- 7.4 Each Member and Cooperating Non-Member shall co-operate and take all necessary steps with relevant authorities, and within domestic law, to review, investigate and resolve any concerns identified in 7.1 and 7.2, and notify the Executive Secretary of the outcome of any such action for inclusion in its report to the Commission.
- 7.5 The Compliance Committee will consider the summary information compiled by the Executive Secretary in 6.4 and 6.5, including any irregularities and anomalies identified and the outcome of any investigations notified under 7.3.
- 7.6 The Commission, may, on the recommendation of the Compliance Committee, consider any action as may be required in relation to the findings and outcomes of any verification investigation. Such action may be, but is not limited to, a review of this or other relevant compliance measures.
- 7.7 Members, Cooperating Non-members and OSECs shall cooperate to ensure that CDS documents are not forged and/or do not contain misinformation.

8. Access to and Security of Information

- 8.1 Subject to each Member's, Cooperating Non-Member's and OSEC's national law, the information produced from the CCSBT CDS shall be confidential and may only be used in support of CCSBT purposes or for any other purpose agreed by the Commission.
- 8.2 Where necessary, in support of catch verification procedures, Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs agree to exchange the necessary supporting information and, where relevant, evidence as may be necessary to verify the integrity of the flow of CDS information and to reconcile any discrepancies.

9. Implementation and Review

- 9.1 This resolution ~~will entered~~ into force on 1 January 2010.¹¹ From that date, it ~~replaceds~~ the CCSBT Southern Bluefin Tuna Statistical Document Programme

¹¹~~Japan may use its current tagging system until the end of its 2009-10 fishing season (31 March 2010).~~

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adopted by CCSBT on 1 June 2000. ~~For SBT caught before 1 January 2010, the tagging requirements of the CDS may be exempted until 30 June 2010 and the CCSBT CDS Documents shall be completed in the most practicable manner.~~

- 9.2 The Compliance Committee will review this resolution ~~no later than at its 2011 meeting regularly~~ to identify any implementation issues, strengths, and weaknesses, and to recommend options to improve this resolution and its supporting procedures at the Extended Commission meeting. ~~This r~~Reviews will include any concerns associated with the breakage or loss of tags and the extent of the use of exemptions in 1.8 and 1.9 as reported by Members and Cooperating Non-Members to the Executive Secretary. ~~The date for a subsequent review will also be agreed at this time.~~
- 9.3 The Executive Secretary will monitor available technology associated with electronic documentation and fish tags to assist the Compliance Committee in its reviews.

Appendix 1

Procedures to allow the issuance of paper CDS forms or printed eCDS forms.

1. The Secretariat will prepare a set of CMF and REEF document numbers and access codes that are issued electronically to each Member prior to the commencement of the ~~calendar year~~ SBT fishing year. These document numbers are referred to as “Offline eCDS Document Numbers”.
2. Members and Cooperating Non-Members (CNM) can issue the Offline eCDS Document Numbers to its fishers or fishing industry either proactively, before they are needed, or on an as needed basis.
3. The Offline eCDS Document Numbers can be added to paper CDS forms in cases of eCDS system failure or a lack of internet access. CDS documents issued this way are referred to as “Offline eCDS Documents”.
4. ~~Industry can print the Offline eCDS Document and add the assigned Offline eCDS Document Number and access code and fill in the remainder of the form (as needed) manually.~~
- 5.4. Each Offline eCDS Document Number must only be issued and used once.
- 6.5. Members shall maintain a single register to record the issue and use of Offline eCDS Document Numbers and develop processes to ensure that they are not issued or used more than once.
- 7.6. Members should ensure that they have processes in place to ensure that the appropriate Government Authority is notified ~~prior to when~~ an Offline eCDS Document being is used to facilitate a transshipment, landing of domestic product, export, import or re-export.
7. ~~When a CDS document is created using an Offline eCDS Document Number, the applicable Member must promptly provide to the Secretariat~~
 - a. ~~a summary of the issue preventing access to the eCDS, the impacted vessel or farm name (as appropriate) if the document is a CMF;~~
 - b. ~~the Offline eCDS Document Numbers used and~~
 - c. ~~the date the issue commenced/commenced and, or~~
 - a-d. ~~dates the issue occurred (if it has been resolved).~~
8. ~~Upon receipt of this information, the Secretariat will activate the CDS document (using the Offline eCDS Document Numbers) in the eCDS and notify the issuing Member.~~
8. ~~After the activation of the Member that issues the Offline eCDS Document Number/s in the eCDS by the Secretariat, the issuing Member will ensure that, as soon as practicable after issuance, the details of the Offline eCDS Document/s are entered in the eCDS using the issued Offline eCDS Document Number/s. The Secretariat will assist with entering this data where the Member requests this or is unable to do so.~~
9. ~~When an Offline CDS Document is issued, the issuing Member will ensure that when the details of the document are entered in the eCDS, the reason for the use of the offline form is also captured in the system.~~
- 9.10. ~~The Offline CDS Document shall be used to accompany the SBT until the completion of the document certification at its final destination (included in the document and relating to the landing of domestic product or import) except where the eCDS user who commenced the Offline CDS Document is able to enter the details of this document in the eCDS prior to this time.~~
- 10.11. Where a CDS document has been partially completed in the eCDS before an issue causing system failure or a lack of internet access occurs, the partially completed eCDS form may be printed and completed as an Offline eCDS Document. In these

Commented [SEC1]: Members may also wish to consider if this should occur at the commencement of each fishing season.

Commented [GU1R2]: Japan's preference is at the commencement of each fishing season, which is similar to the current arrangement in paper CDS.

Commented [SEC2]: Small suggested amendment to clarify the intent of the term used here.

Commented [SEC3]: Recommended deletion of this paragraph as it is covered by other paragraphs and noting there Members may choose to implement this in different ways.

Commented [SEC4]: Slight amendment noting the AU comment regarding issues occurring outside of working hours.

Commented [SEC5]: The previous paragraph 7 has been replaced with new paragraph 9. This suggests a reason/issue that caused the use of the offline form is captured against all offline forms when they are entered in the eCDS.

Commented [SEC6]: AU requested that the Offline eCDS document Numbers are activated in the eCDS at the time that they are issued to Members. The developer has confirmed that this is possible so this paragraph covering Secretariat activation of the forms following notification by the Member is suggested for deletion, along with slight alterations to the following paragraph.

Commented [SEC7]: AU requested that the data entry of offline forms be completed by the Secretariat. We welcome further thoughts and comments from Members on this.

Commented [SEC8]: New Paragraph added based on AU's comments. It will be important that the Secretariat also receives import copies of Offline CDS Documents completed to verify that all copies have been received from, and reported by, the exporting Member.

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cases, the Offline eCDS Document will use and display the Document Number and Access Code issued by the eCDS. The remaining sections of this printed Offline eCDS Document can then be manually completed (as needed) to facilitate any transshipment, landing of domestic product, export, import and re-export that occurs during eCDS system failure or lack of internet access.

- 11.12. When a CDS document that has been partially completed in the eCDS is printed as an Offline eCDS Document to facilitate any transshipment, landing of domestic product, export, import and re-export that occurs during a period of eCDS system failure or lack of internet access, the issuing Member will promptly provide the Secretariat with a summary of the issue preventing access to the eCDS and a list of the applicable CDS Document Numbers.
- 12.13. Where an Offline eCDS Document accompanies an export from, or import to, a Member, CNM or OSEC, scanned copies of the completed document/s will be provided to the Secretariat as soon as practicable after completion of the export validation and/or import certification.
14. ~~To help facilitate importation processes using Offline eCDS Documents, the Secretariat will also make the details of the issue preventing use of the eCDS, the date/s the issue occurred, and the related document numbers and activation dates available to the Member, CNM and OSEC competent authorities. No other information from the scanned CDS document will be released apart from the document number. When the system failure happened, and which members are being/ will be affected will be made public on the public section of the CCSBT website.~~
15. ~~Member, CNM and OSEC competent authorities will be able to search Offline CDS Document Number/s to confirm that the Offline CDS Document Number/s on imports of SBT received are legitimate numbers that have been issued by the Member concerned. An Offline CDS Document Number will be required to initiate the search.~~
- 13.16. ~~The CCSBT Secretariat will report on the CCSBT website any global eCDS system outages and the timeframes during which the system was unavailable.~~
- 14.17. An exporting Member or CNM may request, or authorise, the Secretariat to share any CDS document with another Member, CNM or OSEC to facilitate importation procedures.
15. ~~Industry and Members can access the CDS document in the eCDS to enter information and use as normal when eCDS access is restored. The Secretariat can assist with the entry of the document details into the eCDS.~~
- 16.18. The issuing Member, with the assistance of the Secretariat, should attempt to resolve issues that are preventing access to the eCDS as soon as practicable, and update the Secretariat when the issue preventing eCDS access is resolved.

eCDS Transitional Measures

1. An exporting Member or CNM shall use the Offline eCDS Re-export Form (REEF) where that REEF is preceded by a CMF that has not been entered or loaded into the CCSBT eCDS.
2. This transitional use of the Offline eCDS REEF will only apply when the preceding CMF/s ~~are related to catch happened before 1st April 2026.~~ ~~were validated between 1 October 2025 and 31 March 2026.~~
- 2.3. The Offline eCDS REEF may also be used in limited circumstances where the preceding document is an Offline CDS Document that has not been loaded into the eCDS, and where the Member or CNM that issued the CMF has attempted, but been unable, to get the preceding document entered or loaded in the eCDS.

Commented [SEC9]: Currently Members are required to provide CDS documents quarterly. The current suggested text requires these paper forms (when used) to be provided to the Secretariat "as soon as practical". Members could also consider if this is sufficient or if it would be preferable to maintain a specific time period for submission of paper forms after use.

Commented [NZ9R2]: NZ preference is to keep it 'as soon as practical'

Commented [SEC11]: This text has been updated to remove the reference to the information being made publicly available. We welcome Members thoughts on further refining this text and the associated process.

Commented [GU12]: (JP) Japan would prefer a public area rather than closed area of CCSBT HP to post information related to system failure, as there are many custom branches and staffs in Japan so that managing secure site accounts would be quite an burdensome to Japan.
Japan can make compromise and will not require eCDS document number on the public site, if there is concern.
As an alternate, custom staffs need to check
-when the system failure happened
-which member is/ will be affected

Commented [SEC13]: Suggested for removal as this detail is covered elsewhere in the Appendix.

Commented [GU14]: (JP) For deep-sea fleets, switching by catch date would be straight forward rather than validation date.

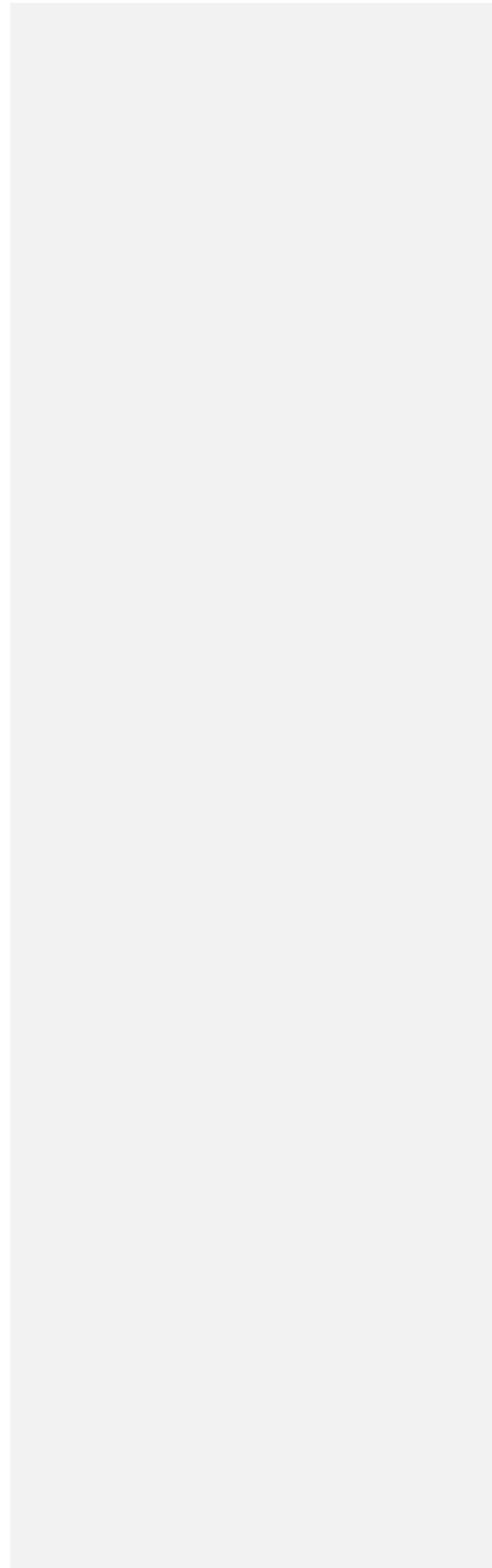
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4. Where a Member or CNM uses an Offline eCDS REEF during this transition period, the Member or CNM shall ensure that a copy of the preceding paper CMF/s are attached to the Offline eCDS REEF.
- 3.5. Where a CDS document has been partially completed prior to the implementation of eCDS, such document may be completed using previous paper-based format.

Attachment B

Appendix 2

Catch Documentation Scheme Forms



Resolution on the Implementation of a CCSBT Catch Documentation Scheme

(revised at the ~~Twenty-Third-Eighth-Second~~ Annual meeting: ~~13-09~~ October 202~~4~~5)

Referring to the principles adopted to guide the development of a catch documentation scheme (CDS) at CCSBT12 in 2005 and the ‘Resolution on the implementation of a CDS to record all catch of Southern Bluefin Tuna regardless of whether the Southern Bluefin tuna were traded’, adopted at CCSBT 13 in 2006;

Noting the need for Members and Cooperating Non-Members to provide for the tracking and validation of legitimate product flow from catch to the point of first sale on domestic or export markets;

Bearing in mind the need to achieve harmonisation of Catch Documentation Schemes across Regional Fisheries Management Organisations;

Emphasising that a CDS must be applied consistently and comprehensively across all sectors of the global SBT fishery to accurately confirm the SBT catch by each Member and Cooperating Non-member;

Recalling the Commission’s commitment to move from a paper-based CDS to an electronic CDS to improve the accuracy and timeliness of reporting;

In accordance with Article 8.3(b) of the Convention on the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna, the Extended Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT) adopts the following measure to monitor compliance with the Commission’s conservation measures:

1. General Provisions and Application		
1.1 All Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall implement the CCSBT CDS for southern bluefin tuna (SBT) to document the movement of all SBT as outlined in this resolution. The CCSBT CDS incorporates CCSBT CDS	<u>1.1</u> All Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall implement the CCSBT CDS for southern bluefin tuna (SBT) to document the movement of all SBT as outlined in this resolution. The CCSBT CDS incorporates CCSBT CDS	It is suggested that Paragraph 1.1. is retained as it currently is at the start of the Resolution, as this sets the requirement for all Members to implement the CDS, which is foundational for the paragraphs that follow. The additional text in the second sub-paragraph

Commented [SEC1]: Column 1 contains the current CDS Resolution text.
Column 2 contains any proposed revisions to the current CDS Resolution. Only paragraphs that are proposed for amendment are included in this column and all proposed changes are tracked.
Column 3 contains the Secretariat explanation of the suggested amendments.

documentation and tagging of SBT.	documentation and tagging of SBT. <u>1.1.1 Commencing on 1 April 2026, all CDS documents shall be completed electronically within the CCSBT's electronic Catch Documentation Scheme (eCDS), except for in the circumstances specified in Appendix 1 in which the paper forms included in Appendix 2 shall be used. From this date, any reference in this Resolution to a CDS document or a CDS form shall be understood to refer to documents and forms completed within the eCDS, except where paper forms are used in the limited circumstances specified in Appendix 1.</u> <u>1.1.2 The instruction sheets associated with each CDS form included in Appendix 2 shall apply to forms completed in the eCDS and paper forms used in the limited circumstances specified in Appendix 1.</u>	captures the text previously provided by Members, however it proposes moving the circumstances in which paper forms can be used to a separate Appendix paragraph rather than in a footnote as was previously proposed. This would mean that the circumstances in which paper forms are used can be defined alongside the processes for their use. Members have previously suggested the circumstances where paper forms can be used include: • where the SBT has been caught prior to the full implementation of the eCDS; • trade between Members and non-Members without authorisation to enter eCDS information; and • where technical problems prevent access to the eCDS. In the previous draft CDS Resolution there was a paragraph that stated “The structure and content of documents in the eCDS differ slightly from those in Appendix 1 of this Resolution. When using the eCDS, the data required in each field contained within the documents of the system, is deemed to be the information that must be provided.” It is now proposed that the forms in the Appendices will be printed copies of the eCDS forms and this,
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Commented [SEC2]: The proposed requirements and process that will be included as Appendix 1 will be discussed in the upcoming technical meeting.

Commented [SEC3]: It is suggested that the CDS forms be moved to Appendix 2, to accommodate the new proposed Appendix 1 that outlines the “Procedures to allow the issuance of paper or printed eCDS forms”.

Commented [SEC4]: It is recommended that this second bullet point is not included in Appendix 4, because in these circumstances the form should still be created in the eCDS (unless the system is unavailable), and may then be printed (as required) from the eCDS to accompany the trade. No import information will be collected, but this is what currently occurs with trade with non-Members (except for the US).

		along with the proposed text, would make this previous paragraph no longer required.
1.2 For transshipments, landings of domestic product ¹ , exports, imports and re-exports under the jurisdiction of a Member or Cooperating Non-Member or Other State/Fishing Entity Cooperating in the CDS (OSEC ²), all SBT shall be accompanied by a document described in section 3 of this resolution. There is no waiver of this requirement. However, the exportation/import of fish parts other than the meat ³ (<i>i.e.</i> head, eyes, roe, guts, tails and fins) may be allowed without the document.	1.2 For transshipments, landings of domestic product ¹ , exports, imports and re-exports under the jurisdiction of a Member or Cooperating Non-Member or Other State/Fishing Entity Cooperating in the CDS (OSEC), all SBT shall be accompanied ³ by a document described in section 3 of this resolution. There is no waiver of this requirement. However, the exportation/import of fish parts other than the meat ⁴ (<i>i.e.</i> head, eyes, roe, guts, tails and fins) may be allowed without the document. <u>New Proposed Footnote 3: For the purposes of this Resolution, a CCSBT CDS document that is entered in the eCDS and validated and/or certified as required by this</u>	It is proposed that this Paragraph be retained as it is, with the addition of a footnote that includes the text listed below the current Paragraph text. The proposed footnote text would not impact Members import requirements should these specify that a completed full CDS document must accompany any SBT shipment. However if Members would prefer, an addition to the end of this footnote could further clarify this point. This text may state something like: <i>“Nothing in this Resolution shall prejudice the rights of any Member, Cooperating Non-Member or OSEC to require that additional documentation, beyond that required by this Resolution, accompany any SBT imports or exports.”</i>

¹ The term ‘landing of domestic product’ means a landing of SBT by a CCSBT-authorized fishing/carrier vessel into the territory of a Member or Cooperating Non-Member whose National Allocation the SBT was attributed against and which issued the CDS documents the SBT are recorded on.

² The term ‘Other State/Fishing Entity Cooperating in the CDS’ will be abbreviated to ‘OSEC’ within this resolution and means a State/Fishing Entity that has expressed its commitment, in writing, to cooperate with this resolution.

^{3,4} Any meat separated from fish parts is considered to be meat in this context.

		<u>Resolution, shall be deemed to accompany the SBT recorded in that document.</u>	
1.3	Transfers of SBT into and between farms under the jurisdiction of a Member or Cooperating Non-Member shall be documented on the Farm Stocking Form and Farm Transfer Form as applicable.		No change required because of the proposed text in Paragraph 1.1.1 that “any reference in this Resolution to a CDS document or a CDS form shall be understood to refer to documents and forms completed within the eCDS”,
1.4	Members or Cooperating Non-Members that prohibit the sale of fish caught by recreational fishers may exempt their recreational fisheries from the requirements of the CCSBT CDS.		No change required.
1.5	The Commission shall request the cooperation of appropriate authorities of States other than Members and Cooperating Non-Members of the Extended Commission that are involved in catching, landing, transferring and/or farming of SBT in the implementation of this resolution.		No change required.
1.6	Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall not		No change required.

permit the landing as domestic product, transshipment, import, export and/or re-export of SBT caught by vessels not authorised to catch SBT and (if SBT farming is conducted under their jurisdiction) the transfer of SBT to or between, and harvest of SBT from, farms not authorised to farm SBT.		
1.7 Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall not permit whole SBT to be landed as domestic product, transhipped, exported, imported or re-exported without a tag, except that: 1.7.1 in the case of farming operations, the SBT may be landed without a tag provided a tag is attached within 30 hours of kill; 1.7.2 in exceptional circumstances, where a vessel on the CCSBT Record of Authorised Vessels does not have sufficient tags on board the vessel, the tag may be attached at landing; 1.7.3 in exceptional circumstances,		No change required.

	where a vessel catches SBT as unexpected bycatch and has no or insufficient tags on board, the tag may be attached at landing.		
1.8	In exceptional circumstances, where a tag becomes accidentally detached and cannot be reattached, a replacement tag shall be attached as soon as possible and no later than the time of landing, transshipment or export.		No change required.
1.9	Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall report any exceptional circumstances referred to in 1.7.2, 1.7.3 or 1.8 annually in their National reports to the Compliance Committee (CC)/ Extended Commission (EC). The Member's National report shall provide details of the exceptional circumstances, the number of SBT tagged and for 1.8, the old (where known) and new tag number(s).		No change required.
1.10	Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall require that tags be retained on whole SBT to at least		No change required.

the first point of sale for landings of domestic product, and shall encourage the retention of tags on whole fish thereafter.		
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2. Registers Required		
2.1	A record of farms is to be established and maintained by the Executive Secretary to identify authorised farms.	No change required.
2.2	A record of vessels, maintained by the Executive Secretary, identifies all authorised vessels.	No change required.
2.3	CCSBT CDS Documents that record information for vessels and/or farms not included on the above-mentioned authorised registers shall not be considered valid Documents for the purposes of this scheme.	No change required.

3. Documents and Information Required
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3.1 The CCSBT CDS Documents are: 3.1.1 Farm Stocking Form – records information on the catch, towing and farming of SBT 3.1.2 Farm Transfer Form – records information on the transfers of SBT between farms 3.1.3 Catch Monitoring Form – records information on the catch, landing, transshipment, export, and import of all SBT regardless of whether farmed or not, including unexpected catch 3.1.4 Catch Tagging Form – records information on individual fish tagged as part of the CDS 3.1.5 Re-export or Export after Landing of Domestic Product Form – records information on SBT already tracked on the Catch Monitoring Form to the initial point of landing of domestic product or import that is, either in full or part, exported or re-exported.	3.1.4 Catch Tagging Form⁵ – records information on individual fish tagged as part of the CDS. <u>New Proposed Footnote 5: The information that is required to be included in the Catch Tagging Form may be recorded in electronic format, including directly in the eCDS or by other means, by a Member or Cooperating Non-Member provided that all the required information from the Catch Tagging Form is included in the electronic record used. Additional information may be included in Catch Tagging Form or electronic records maintained by a Member or Cooperating Non-Member and at the discretion of the Member or Cooperating Non-Member.</u>	No change needed, except for a proposed additional footnote related to the catch tagging form. This is intended to reflect current practice by some members where the required CTF data is captured electronically. This is also intended to accommodate the capturing of this information directly in the eCDS, because in the eCDS there are, technically, no longer any CTFs, but the tags are associated directly with a CMF. It is also proposed that the previous footnote 4 (associated with Paragraph 3.3) that related to Members discretion to include additional information in the CTF, be included in this footnote also, as the related text has been proposed for deletion from Paragraph 3.3. Some Members have expressed an interest in using an abbreviated Export Form and others have stated that imports to the Member would still require an accompanying full printed CDS document. The Export Form has not been added to the CCSBT CDS documents because, due to proposed changes to the Resolution text above (specifically the proposed footnote 3), in cases where a Member chooses to use an Export Form, the accompanying CDS document would be considered to be the complete form within the eCDS. This would be the case whether the eCDS
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		form is printed or not, and regardless of whether an Export Form was used (if Members agreed to the Export Form).
3.2 The information to be contained in the CCSBT CDS documentation referred to in 3.1, along with associated instruction sheets, is in Appendix 1 A – D.	3.2 The information to be contained in the CCSBT CDS documentation referred to in 3.1, along with associated instruction sheets, is in Appendix 1 <u>2</u> A – D.	No change required to the text, apart from an update to the Appendix number. But it is proposed that these forms be offline versions of forms from the eCDS to ensure consistency.
3.3 Once approved forms are adopted, only minimal modifications, such as the addition of translations, may be made ⁴ . No information field may be omitted from the standard form, except where the field is not applicable.	3.3 Once approved forms are adopted, only minimal modifications, such as the addition of translations, may be made. No information field may be omitted from the standard form, except where the field is not applicable.	It is recommended to delete the first sentence of this Paragraph. The ability to make minor modifications was applicable when paper forms were used. However, any modification of forms used within the eCDS will require technical support and there will be costs associated. The Secretariat suggests that any Member that requires minor modification to the eCDS forms are considered and incorporated as soon as possible and before eCDS implementation.
3.4 Any documentation modified, as described in 3.3 ⁵ , shall be provided to the Executive Secretary for distribution to other Members, Cooperating Non-Members, as	Any documentation modified, as described in 3.3, shall be provided to the Executive Secretary for distribution to other Members, Cooperating Non-Members, as well	It is recommended that this paragraph be deleted as it is not applicable to the eCDS. As explained above, any changes to eCDS forms will require development support and there will be costs

⁴ ~~However the Catch Tagging Form may be amended to include additional information at the discretion of the Member or Cooperating Non-Member.~~

⁵ ~~With the exception of additions to the Catch Tagging Form.~~

	well as Non-Members known to be involved in the landing, transshipment, import, export, or re-export of SBT.	as Non-Members known to be involved in the landing, transshipment, import, export, or re-export of SBT.	associated with this. Minor additions, such as translations, can be incorporated in the eCDS system.
3.5	Significant amendments to the forms and form content may be made only with the agreement of the Commission at its annual meeting based on recommendations from the CCSBT Compliance Committee.	3.4 Significant a Amendments to the forms and form content may be made only with the agreement of the Commission at its annual meeting based on recommendations from the CCSBT Compliance Committee.	A minor adjustment to this paragraph is recommended to accommodate the changes discussed above and adjust the paragraph numbering, if Members agree to the deletion of the current Paragraph 3.4. It is suggested that due to the costs associated with amendments to the eCDS forms, that all changes to the CDS forms will require the agreement of the Commission.
3.6	CCSBT CDS documents must be uniquely numbered.		No change required, except for paragraph numbering if Members agree to the deletion of the current Paragraph 3.4.

4. Tagging

4.1	Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall require that an SBT tag be attached to each whole SBT at the time of kill except: 4.1.1 in the case of farming operations, the tag may be		No change required.
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attached within 30 hours of kill; 4.1.2 in exceptional circumstances, where a vessel on the CCSBT Record of Authorised Vessels does not have sufficient tags on board, the tag may be attached at landing; 4.1.3 in exceptional circumstances, where a vessel catches SBT as unexpected bycatch and has no, or insufficient, tags on board, the tag may be attached at landing.		
4.2 As outlined at 3.1.4, a Catch Tagging Form records relevant tagging information for individual SBT. The Catch Tagging Form shall be filled in as soon as practicable after the time of kill. Length and weight measurements shall be conducted before the SBT is frozen. Where measurements cannot be accurately done on board the vessel, they may be made at the time of landing or transshipment, provided the measurements and the associated Catch Tagging Form are		No change required, based on the additional proposed footnote to Paragraph 3.1.4 which will allow for the electronic capture of CTF data.

	filled in before any further transfer of the SBT.		
4.3	Completed Catch Tagging Forms shall be provided to the flag Members and Cooperating Non-Members which shall provide the information in the Catch Tagging Form to the Executive Secretary in an electronic format on a quarterly basis.	4.3 Completed Catch Tagging Forms shall be provided to the flag Members and Cooperating Non-Members which shall provide the information included in the Catch Tagging Form to the Executive Secretary in an electronic format on a quarterly basis.	Catch tagging form data may be entered directly into the eCDS, so it is proposed to remove the reference of this having to be provided to Members and only retaining the Member obligation to provide this information in an electronic format to the Executive Secretary.
4.4	A tagging programme shall meet the minimum procedural and information standards set out in Appendix 2.	4.4 A tagging programme shall meet the minimum procedural and information standards set out in Appendix 2 3.	No change required, apart from an update to the Appendix number.
4.5	Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall prohibit the unauthorised use of SBT tags.		No change required.

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CTF data will be provided to the Executive Secretary as it is entered and certified in the eCDS.

Members to also discuss this further in the eCDS Resolution discussions if and as required.

5. Validation			
5.1	The CCSBT CDS documentation must be validated (or signed in the case of transshipments at sea) as applicable by:	<u>5.1</u> The CCSBT CDS documentation must be validated (or signed <u>include the name of the observer</u> ⁸ in the case of transshipments at sea) as applicable by:	A small change is proposed to remove the requirement for the transshipment to be signed by the observer, as this is no longer required in the eCDS. However, it is recommended that a footnote be added to the Resolution to require
5.1.1	for landings of domestic		

product, an official of the flag Member or Cooperating Non-Member of the catching vessel or, when the fishing vessel is operating under a charter arrangement, by a competent authority or institution of the chartering Member or Cooperating Non-Member; and 5.1.2 for all SBT transshipments subject to <i>CCSBT Resolution on Establishing a Program for Transshipment by Large-Scale Fishing Vessels</i>, the observer required by that resolution; and 5.1.3 for all export of SBT, an official of the exporting Member or Cooperating Non-Member; and 5.1.4 for all re-export of SBT, an official of the re-exporting Member, Cooperating Non-Member, or OSEC.	<u>New Proposed Footnote 8: CDS documents completed for SBT caught prior to the implementation of the eCDS must also be signed by the observer.</u> 5.1.2 for all SBT transshipments subject to <i>CCSBT Resolution on Establishing a Program for Transshipment by Large-Scale Fishing Vessels</i>, the <u>CCSBT CDS documentation shall list the full name of the</u> observer required by that resolution; and	CDS documents for SBT caught prior to the implementation of the eCDS to still be signed by the observer to reflect current practice. In the eCDS the observer details will need to be captured in the CMF, and it is proposed that the transshipment details recorded in the CMF will be reconciled with transshipment reporting provided by the member/ROP provider under the Transshipment Resolution. There is a requirement for the transshipment declaration (required under the Transshipment Resolution) to be signed by the observer so the observer signature will still be captured in the transshipment declaration. It is therefore recommended that Paragraph 5.1.2 be retained but specify that the full name of the observer be captured in the CDS document for all SBT transshipments subject to <i>CCSBT Resolution on Establishing a Program for Transshipment by Large-Scale Fishing Vessels</i>,.
5.2 The authority to validate CDS documents may be delegated to an authorised person by an official of the relevant State/fishing entity.		No change required.

	Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs who utilise delegated person/s shall submit a certified copy of such delegation/s to the Executive Secretary. The individual who certifies a CCSBT CDS Document shall not be the same person who validates the Document.		
5.3	Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall provide to the Executive Secretary information on validation (including type of validation, name of the organization which validates the documents, title and name and signature of officials who validate the documents, sample impression of stamp or seal, and a list of all persons holding delegated authority to validate CCSBT CDS documentation prior to those officials and persons exercising the authority). Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall inform the Executive Secretary of any changes in a timely fashion.		No change required.

5.4	The Executive Secretary will maintain and update the information specified in 5.3 and provide it to all Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs and promptly circulate any changes.		No change required.
5.5	Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall not validate any CCSBT CDS documentation referred to in 3.1 that is not complete, has obviously incorrect information, or has not been validated as required by this resolution.		No change required.
5.6	No Member or Cooperating Non-Member or OSEC shall accept any SBT for transshipment, landing of domestic product, export, import, or re-export where any or all required documents do not accompany the relevant consignment of SBT, where fields of information required on the form are not completed, or where the form has not been validated as required by this resolution.		No change required.

5.7	Full or partial consignments of untagged whole SBT must not be validated or accepted for transshipment, landing of domestic product, export (including export after landing of domestic product), import or re-export (except where the tag is no longer required to be attached to the SBT because further processing has occurred, as outlined at Appendix 2).	5.7 Full or partial consignments of untagged whole SBT must not be validated or accepted for transshipment, landing of domestic product, export (including export after landing of domestic product), import or re-export (except where the tag is no longer required to be attached to the SBT because further processing has occurred, as outlined at Appendix <u>23</u>).	No change required, apart from an update to the Appendix number.
5.8	Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall undertake an appropriate level of audit, including inspections of vessels, landings, and where possible markets, to the extent necessary to validate the information contained in the CDS documentation.		No change required.
5.9	Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall include in their annual review of SBT fisheries, details on the level of coverage and type of audit undertaken, in accordance with 5.8, and the level of compliance.		No change required.

6. Exchange of Information and Confidentiality of Data		
6.1	Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall retain all original CCSBT CDS Documents (or scanned electronic copies of the original documents) received by them for a minimum of 3 years after the most recent signed date on the form. Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall also retain a copy of any CCSBT CDS Documents issued by them for a minimum of 3 years after the most recent issuing state/entity signed date on the form. Copies of these CDS Documents (except the Catch Tagging Form ⁶) shall be forwarded ⁷ to the Executive Secretary on a quarterly basis.	5.16.1 Any CCSBT CDS document that is entered into the eCDS and validated and/or certified, as required by this Resolution, shall be deemed to have been retained by the Member, Cooperating Non-Member or OSEC, and to have been forwarded to the Executive Secretary. 6.2 Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall retain all original CCSBT CDS Documents (or scanned electronic copies of the original documents) received by them for a minimum of 3 years after the most recent signed date on the form. Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs shall also retain a copy of any CCSBT CDS Documents issued by them for a minimum of 3 years after the most recent issuing state/entity signed date on the form. Copies of these Minor changes required to ensure that any document entered into the eCDS is recognised as having been retained by the Member. It is proposed that copies of paper forms, that may be used in specific circumstances, will still need to be retained by the Member for three years. But it is recommended that the requirement for the document to be forwarded to the Executive Secretary will be outlined in the Appendix, alongside the circumstances when these paper forms may be used and the process to be followed.

Commented [SEC6]: Members may also wish to consider and discuss if this requirement for Members to retain CDS documents for three years is still essential after the transition to the eCDS..

⁶ Requirements to provide information in the Catch Tagging Form are set out in 4.3.

⁷ Either as a copy of the original form or in electronic format containing all the information in the forms.

	CDS Documents (except the Catch Tagging Form ⁶) shall be forwarded ⁷ to the Executive Secretary on a <u>quarterly basis</u> .	
6.2 The Executive Secretary shall compile the raw data from CDS documentation into an electronic database. The Executive Secretary shall ensure the confidentiality of the raw data in its database and release to any State/fishing entity only the raw data relating to the CCSBT CDS Documents it validated. If a State/fishing entity requests CCSBT CDS Documents relating to another State/fishing entity, the Executive Secretary may release those data only with the latter's agreement.	6.3 The Executive Secretary shall compile the raw data from CDS documentation into an electronic database. The Executive Secretary shall ensure the confidentiality of the raw data in its database and release to any State/fishing entity only the raw data <u>directly</u> relating to the CCSBT CDS Documents it validated <u>or, in the case of imports, that it is required to certify</u> . If a State/fishing entity requests CCSBT CDS Documents relating to another State/fishing entity, the Executive Secretary may release those data only with the latter's agreement.	Apart from a change to the paragraph number to allow for the new paragraph 6.1, only one small change is proposed to allow for the release of CDS data related to imports of SBT that are coming into, or that have come into, that State/fishing entity. Because the eCDS will display data from the 'database', the existing Resolution text included in this paragraph does not allow importing Members to view in the eCDS information relevant to imports of SBT that are coming into, or that have come into, that State/fishing entity (as is current practice with importing Members being able to view this on the paper CDS documents received). This is because the current text is limited to CDS Documents the Member validated, but importing Members do not validate CDS forms, but will still need to see this data to certify the import section. It is proposed that the text "directly" also be added to the existing text "relating to the CCSBT CDS Documents" to strengthen the provisions around what data may be able to be provided.
6.3 The Executive Secretary shall	6.4 The Executive Secretary shall report	No change required, except to update the

Commented [SEC7]: This may require update regarding the timeliness of CDS document completion/provision, based on Member discussions in the technical meeting.

CDS documents will be forwarded to the Executive Secretary as they are completed in the eCDS. But there will be some forms that will be completed outside of the CDS initially. So there may be benefit in defining a timeframe for submission of these forms?

Members will also discuss this issue further in the eCDS Resolution discussions if and as required.

report to the Extended Commission on and circulate to all Members and Cooperating Non-Members the data collected by the CCSBT CDS each year by 1 June for the period of 1 January - 31 December of the preceding year and by 1 December for the period of 1 January - 30 June of the current year. The information to be contained in the reports is specified in Appendix 3 . The Executive Secretary shall provide an electronic copy of the report only to a designated authority of each Member and Cooperating Non-Member.	to the Extended Commission on and circulate to all Members and Cooperating Non-Members the data collected by the CCSBT CDS each year by 1 June for the period of 1 January - 31 December of the preceding year and by 1 December for the period of 1 January - 30 June of the current year. The information to be contained in the reports is specified in Appendix 34 . The Executive Secretary shall provide an electronic copy of the report only to a designated authority of each Member and Cooperating Non-Member.	paragraph number to 6.4 to allow for the inclusion of the new paragraph 6.1. The Appendix number is also proposed to be updated to allow for the new proposed Appendix 1.
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6.4 The Executive Secretary will post on the public area of the CCSBT web-site a subset of the report comprising: ○ Flag State/fishing entity; ○ Harvest year; ○ Product destination (including landings of domestic product); ○ Gear code; ○ Net weight; ○ Estimated whole weight (calculated by applying a conversion factor to the net weight); ○ Copies of all modified CDS forms provided in accordance with paragraph 3.4.	6.5 The Executive Secretary will post on the public area of the CCSBT web-site a subset of the report comprising: ○ Flag State/fishing entity; ○ Harvest year; ○ Product destination (including landings of domestic product); ○ Gear code; ○ Net weight; ○ Estimated whole weight (calculated by applying a conversion factor to the net weight);⁵ ○ Copies of all modified CDS forms provided in accordance with paragraph 3.4.	No change required, except for an update to the paragraph number and the proposed removal of the last sub-bullet point related to paragraph 3.4 which is recommended for deletion.
6.5 On request by the Scientific Committee, Compliance Committee, or other subsidiary body of the Commission, the Executive Secretary shall, with the approval of the Commission, provide to that body data collected by the CCSBT CDS more		No change required except to update the paragraph number to 6.6.

	frequently or at a greater level of detail than specified in 6.3.		
6.6	The Executive Secretary shall analyse the data provided in 6.1 and notify the relevant Member(s) or Cooperating Non-Member(s) of any identified discrepancies.		No change required except to update the paragraph number to 6.7.

7. Verification of CDS Documentation			
7.1	Each Member and Cooperating Non-Member shall ensure that its competent authorities, or other authorised individual or institution, take steps to identify each consignment of SBT landed as domestic product in, imported into or exported or re-exported from its territory and examine the validated CCSBT CDS Documents for each consignment of SBT. These competent authorities, or authorised individuals or institutions, may also examine the content of the consignment to verify the information contained in the CCSBT CDS Document and in		No change required.

	related documents and, where necessary, shall carry out verifications with the operators concerned.		
7.2	Each Member and Cooperating Non-Member shall review information, and investigate and resolve any irregularities identified in relation to their information in the CDS reports, including any discrepancies identified during the comparison of data from the Executive Secretary. Among other matters, Members and Cooperating Non-Members shall cross-check the report provided by the Executive Secretary under 6.3 using information available to it.		No change required.
7.3	Each Member, Cooperating Non-Member and OSEC shall, as soon as practicable, identify to the Executive Secretary and relevant Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs, any consignments of SBT where there are:		No change required.
7.3.1	doubts about the information		

7.3.2	contained in any associated CDS documentation; or incomplete, missing or unvalidated CCSBT CDS documentation.		
7.4	Each Member and Cooperating Non-Member shall co-operate and take all necessary steps with relevant authorities, and within domestic law, to review, investigate and resolve any concerns identified in 7.1 and 7.2, and notify the Executive Secretary of the outcome of any such action for inclusion in its report to the Commission.		No change required.
7.5	The Compliance Committee will consider the summary information compiled by the Executive Secretary in 6.3 and 6.4, including any irregularities and anomalies identified and the outcome of any investigations notified under 7.3.	7.5. The Compliance Committee will consider the summary information compiled by the Executive Secretary in 6.36-34 and 6.46-45 , including any irregularities and anomalies identified and the outcome of any investigations notified under 7.3	No change required, other than to update the references for the Secretariat reporting to allow for the new proposed Paragraph 6.1.
7.6	The Commission, may, on the recommendation of the Compliance Committee, consider		No change required.

	any action as may be required in relation to the findings and outcomes of any verification investigation. Such action may be, but is not limited to, a review of this or other relevant compliance measures.		
7.7	Members, Cooperating Non-members and OSECs shall cooperate to ensure that CDS documents are not forged and/or do not contain misinformation.		No change required.

8. Access to and Security of Information			
8.1	Subject to each Member's, Cooperating Non-Member's and OSEC's national law, the information produced from the CCSBT CDS shall be confidential and may only be used in support of CCSBT purposes or for any other purpose agreed by the Commission.		No change required.
8.2	Where necessary, in support of catch verification procedures,		No change required.

Members, Cooperating Non-Members and OSECs agree to exchange the necessary supporting information and, where relevant, evidence as may be necessary to verify the integrity of the flow of CDS information and to reconcile any discrepancies.		
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9. Implementation and Review

9.1 This resolution will enter into force on 1 January 2010. ⁸ From that date, it replaces the CCSBT Southern Bluefin Tuna Statistical Document Programme adopted by CCSBT on 1 June 2000. For SBT caught before 1 January 2010, the tagging requirements of the CDS may be exempted until 30 June 2010 and the CCSBT CDS Documents shall be completed in the most practicable manner.	9.1 This resolution will entered ^{ed} into force on 1 January 2010. ⁹ From that date, it replaces ds the CCSBT Southern Bluefin Tuna Statistical Document Programme adopted by CCSBT on 1 June 2000. For SBT caught before 1 January 2010, the tagging requirements of the CDS may be exempted until 30 June 2010 and the CCSBT CDS Documents shall be completed in the most practicable manner.	These changes are consistent with the updates included in the previous version of the Resolution circulated to, and amended by, Members.
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⁸ Japan may use its current tagging system until the end of its 2009-10 fishing season (31 March 2010).

9.2 The Compliance Committee will review this resolution no later than at its 2011 meeting to identify any implementation issues, strengths, and weaknesses, and to recommend options to improve this resolution and its supporting procedures at the Extended Commission meeting. This review will include any concerns associated with the breakage or loss of tags and the extent of the use of exemptions in 1.8 and 1.9 as reported by Members and Cooperating Non-Members to the Executive Secretary. The date for a subsequent review will also be agreed at this time.	9.2 The Compliance Committee will review this resolution no later than at its 2011 meeting regularly to identify any implementation issues, strengths, and weaknesses, and to recommend options to improve this resolution and its supporting procedures at the Extended Commission meeting. This <u>Review</u>s will include any concerns associated with the breakage or loss of tags and the extent of the use of exemptions in 1.8 and 1.9 as reported by Members and Cooperating Non-Members to the Executive Secretary. The date for a subsequent review will also be agreed at this time.	These changes are consistent with the updates included in the previous version of the Resolution circulated to, and amended by, Members.
9.3 The Executive Secretary will monitor available technology associated with electronic documentation and fish tags to assist the Compliance Committee in its reviews.		No change required.

Appendices		
<u>Proposed Addition:</u> <u>Appendix 1 - Procedures to allow the issuance of paper CDS forms or printed eCDS forms.</u>		Included in the Draft Resolution.
Appendix 1 - Catch Documentation Scheme Forms	Appendix 4 2 - Catch Documentation Scheme Forms	Moved to Appendix 2 and updated to reflect eCDS Working Group discussions and eCDS implementation requirements.
Appendix 2 - Minimum Procedural and Information Standards for CCSBT Member and Cooperating Non-Member Tagging Programmes	Appendix 2 3 - Minimum Procedural and Information Standards for CCSBT Member and Cooperating Non-Member Tagging Programmes	No changes proposed apart from the Appendix number.
Appendix 3 - Content of the Executive Secretary's Six Monthly/Annual Reports to the Extended Commission.	Appendix 34 - Content of the Executive Secretary's Six Monthly/Annual Reports to the Extended Commission. All text to remain except for the following recommended changes. Deletion of the third paragraph that currently reads: <i>During the first year of the CDS, there will not be sufficient information from the CDS for all reports to be produced. It is also</i>	Minor amendments suggested to update the Appendix number and remove text that is no longer applicable. The reconciliation process is suggested to continue, however the eCDS will provide the Secretariat with the capability to provide this reporting to Members more regularly. The text in this paragraph has suggested updates to ensure that current reconciliation information provision is maintained, whilst also allowing the Secretariat to develop different ways of delivering this

	<i>accepted that there will be delays in producing reports during the first year of the CDS while the Secretariat is in the process of developing the CDS database and associated reporting mechanisms.</i> Update of the last paragraph in this appendix as below: CDS documentation will be sent to the Secretariat on a quarterly basis from multiple sources. The same document may be sent to the Secretariat at different times. For example, when SBT are exported or transhipped, and again when the same SBT are imported or landed as domestic product. The Secretariat will run regular reconciliation reports on the CDS data received. The reconciliation reports should be designed to provide aggregate information concerning the number and types of documents that are expected, but that have yet to be received from each State/Fishing Entity. These reports should also identify if any discrepancies occur between the figures in the forms from the different sources. The Secretariat should design and produce these reports after the CDS has been in operation for 12 months.	information to members, such as through live dashboards.
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