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U.S. PURSE SEINE DISCARD FORM

Section 1: Vessel Information

Vessel Name: International Radio Call Sign:

License Number (WCPFC Area Endorsement Number):

Section 2: Personnel Information

Name of Vessel Operator: Nationality of Vessel Operator:

Name of Observer on Board:

Section 3: Discard Information

Date and Time of Discard in MM/DD/YYYY/HOUR Format:

Location of Discard (Latitude and Longitude Coordinates to the Nearest Minute of Arc):

Date and Time of Set in MM/DD/YYYY/HOUR Format:

Location of the Set (Latitude and Longitude Coordinates to the Nearest Minute of Arc):

Type of Set (Check One): Unassociated ☐ Feeding on Baitfish ☐ Drifting Log, Debris or Dead Animal ☐

Drifting Raft, FAD or Payao ☐ Anchored Raft, FAD or Payao ☐ Other ☐ _____

Reason for Discard (Check All that Apply):

Fish Unfit for Human Consumption ☐ Insufficient Well Space ☐ Serious Equipment Malfunction ☐

Amount of Discarded Fish, by Species (in metric tons):

Skipjack tuna_____ Yellowfin tuna_____ Bigeye tuna_____

Amount of Retained Fish from the Set, by Species (in metric tons):

Skipjack tuna_____ Yellowfin tuna_____ Bigeye tuna_____

Section 4: Optional Additional Information

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Instructions for U.S. Purse Seine Discard Form: Owners and operators of fishing vessels of the United States equipped with purse seine gear that discard bigeye tuna, yellowfin tuna, or skipjack tuna caught in the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Area must ensure completion of this form. One form must be completed for each set from which any fish are discarded. The form must be completed and submitted to the Executive Director of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) within 48 hours of each discard at the following address: E-Mail (Donald.David@wcpfc.int) or Fax (+691 320-1108).

A copy of the form must be submitted to the NMFS American Samoa Field Station within 48 hours of each such discard at the following address: E-Mail (Gordon.Yamasaki@noaa.gov and Elia.Henry@noaa.gov) or Fax (684-633-1400). A hard copy of the form must be provided to the observer on board the vessel.

Section 1: Vessel Information

Enter the current name of the vessel.
Enter the vessel's International Radio Call Sign, which is the unique radio station identifier assigned to the vessel by the Federal Communications Commission.
Enter the WCPFC Area Endorsement number of the vessel (issued by NMFS under 50 CFR 300.212). Enter "none" if none.

Section 2: Personnel Information

Enter the name of the vessel operator (the master or other individual aboard and in charge of the vessel).
Enter the nationality of the vessel operator.
Enter the name of the observer on board. Enter "none" if none.

Section 3: Discard Information

Enter the date and time of the discard in MM/DD/YYYY/HOUR format. The time should be entered using a 24 hour clock (e.g., 2:16 pm would be 14:16) in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
Enter the location of the discard (latitude and longitude coordinates to the nearest minute of arc).
Enter the date and start time for the set from which the fish is discarded in MM/DD/YYYY/HOUR format. The time should be entered using a 24 hour clock (e.g., 2:16 pm would be 14:16) in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
Enter the location of the set (latitude and longitude coordinates to the nearest minute of arc).
Check the appropriate box for the type of the set. If you check "Other," provide a brief description of the set type on the adjacent line.
Check the appropriate box or boxes for the reason(s) for the discard.
Enter the amounts, in metric tons, of all bigeye tuna, yellowfin tuna, and skipjack tuna discarded from the set, broken down by species.
Enter the amounts, in metric tons, of all bigeye tuna, yellowfin tuna, and skipjack tuna retained from the set, broken down by species.

Section 4: Optional Additional Information

If there is any other information you wish to include, please do so in this section.

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