

Inshore BLL PSRMP Observer Review Form



Trip Number	Vessel Name	Observer name	Trip start date	Trip end date	Sets observed
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Record Yes (Y), No (N), Unknown (U) or Not Applicable (N/A) in the box provided. If you answer N or U to any questions (except Items 3, 4, 12 & 22) then please make detailed comments on the reverse.

Item 1. Did the vessel have a copy of its Protected Species Risk Management Plan (PSRMP) on board?

Item 2. Were the crew familiar with the contents of the PSRMP?

Item 3. Were any protected species capture 'trigger-points' activated during the trip?
(If Y record details of the triggers and the action taken by the vessel)

Item 4. Did a gear failure event occur that increased the risk of protected species captures?
(If Y detail the event and the action taken by the vessel)

Item 5. Were there any changes in crew behaviour, fishing activity, mitigation devices deployed and/or gear used following 'trigger point' events or during 'high risk' periods
(e.g. full moon, multiple capture events, many seabirds around the vessel at setting or hauling, etc.)

Mitigation device

Item 6. Was a tori line used for the entirety of all sets?

Item 7. When deployed was the aerial extent of the tori line adequate to reduce bird access to the baited hook line?

Item 8. Were 'fit and proper'* streamers spaced at a maximum distance of 5 m apart along the entire aerial extent of the tori line?

Item 9. Did the vessel carry a spare tori line or sufficient parts to construct a second tori line if required?

Item 10. Was the tori line attachment point higher than 5 m above the waterline?

Item 11. Could the tori line be adjusted or repositioned so that streamers could be positioned over the backbone to suit varying conditions?

Item 12. Were any other mitigation devices used (e.g. a haul mitigation device)?
(If Y record details in the comments)

Fish Waste & Bait Management

Item 13. Was all fish waste (including bait scraps) retained on board during setting?

Item 14. Was fish waste discharged from the vessel during hauling?

Item 15. Was the discharge of fish waste during hauling managed/controlled as described in the PSRMP?

General procedures

Item 16. Were all plastics (including fishing plastics such as snoods, carton strapping etc.) retained on board?

Item 17. Was all setting conducted at night**?

Item 18. Were spot lights shining directly astern controlled/dimmed during night-setting?

Item 19. Did the line-weighting and float regime follow the set-up(s) described in the PSRMP?

Item 20. Were all protected species captures recorded on the MPI Non-fish Protected Species Catch Return logbook or electronically as required by law?

Item 21. Were protected species caught and released alive handled with due care?

Item 22. Any other comments? (describe on reverse)

* fit and proper streamers should be brightly coloured and of a sufficient length to provide a suitable deterrent to seabirds

** night is defined as between 0.5 hours after nautical dusk until 0.5 hours before nautical dawn

Please make a detailed comment for each item when required.

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