

ISSF Longline Skippers’ Training Workshop

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Location: 1F, No. 35, Chaolong Rd., Donggang Township, Pingtung County, Taiwan R.O.C. (Taiwan Tuna Longline Association Office)

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Agenda:

Activity / Topic
Welcome and overview
Impacts of Industrial fishing to sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds
RFMO regulations around prohibits targeted fishing / retention, best practice release and bycatch mitigation measures – sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds
Species IDs - sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds
Bycatch mitigation measures - sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds
Effective bycatch handling and release - sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds
Shark finning policy

Summary:

Welcome and overview:

The KT trainer provided a welcome and introduction about the purpose of the training. A meeting attendance sheet recorded those who attended the session.

RFMO regulations regarding prohibition on targeted fishing / retention, best practice release and bycatch mitigation measures – sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds:

The trainer then talked about different RFMOs' regulations in place around species which are prohibited from being targeted and retained. The best practice release measures for bycatch, and the bycatch mitigation measures. Restriction on steel leaders, shark finning prohibition etc.

Species IDs - sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds:

The trainer introduced and showcased the images of commonly encountered sensitive bycatch species commonly designated as endangered, threatened, and protected (ETP) species in Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) full assessments. An interactive Q&A method was used to enable the participants to have memory of commonly encounter bycatch species.

Bycatch mitigation measures - sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds:

The trainer then spoke through the measures that ISSF suggest using in order to mitigate a vessel's chance to bycatch the ETP species, including circle hooks/fish bait choice/set depth/nylon leaders using etc. The trainer then took time to speak with participants to understand whether all of them have adopted the measures.

Effective bycatch handling and release - sharks & rays / sea turtles / seabirds:

Talked about the effective best practices to handle and release the bycatch to maximise the chances of survival of bycaught species. Used different scenario to present the best practices for different commonly encounter bycatch species, such as how to handle and release different size of sharks, how to handle sea turtles if decided to bring it onboard, how and where to dehook and cut the line from distance. Talked about the useful tools that vessel should equip onboard for bycatch handling and releasing.

Shark finning policy:

Explained what shark finning is and why it's strictly prohibited.