

Global Tuna Alliance Detailed 2020 RFMO Asks

bold shows overlap with NGO Tuna Forum asks

Scope	High-Level Ask	Detailed Ask
Overarching	Comprehensive,	Accelerate action on comprehensive, precautionary Harvest Strategies
	Precautionary	to be implemented simultaneously with the development of
	Harvest Strategies	precautionary Reference Points and Harvest Control Rules
	100% observer	• 100% observer coverage requirement (human and/or electronic)
	coverage	in industrial tuna fisheries, including all those engaged in at sea
		transshipment, by 2024.
		• Where lacking, adopt minimum standards for Electronic
		Monitoring (EM) data, and a work plan with milestones and
		deadlines for the implementation of best practice EM and e-
		reporting, with necessary mechanisms to ensure compliance
	Observer Safety	Regulatory authorities (flag and coastal states) and their respective
		observer programs should work together to implement the
		International Observer Bill of Rights ¹ (IBOR) at the RFMO level
		Alongside the IOBR, regulatory authorities (flag states and coastal
		states) and their respective observer programs should support the
		adoption of the WCPFC mandatory observer safety reforms by all
		tuna RFMOs.
	FAD Management Best	RFMOs should adopt the measures identified in the Global NGO Tuna
	Practices	Forum's position on better FAD Management. While not
		comprehensive, these measures are critical to ensuring that at-sea FAD
		fishing is better-managed and more transparent.
	At Sea Transshipment	Adopt 100% observer coverage requirement (human and/or
	Best Practices	electronic) on all vessels engaged in at sea transshipment, by 2024.
		Adopt amendments to existing transhipment regulations ² to bring
		in line with <u>best practices</u>
IOTC	Yellowfin rebuilding	Adopt an effective rebuilding plan for yellowfin tuna that rebuilds
		the stock in two generations ³ .
	Skipjack HCR	Monitor & control catches of skipjack to ensure catches do not
		exceed the limit set by Resolution 16/02
IATTC	Tropical Tuna	Adoption of robust conservation management measure that is
	Conservation	precautionary and based on scientific advice to limit fishing pressure
	Management Measure	on yellowfin & bigeye tropical tunas
ICCAT	Mako Shark	Protect shortfin mako sharks by heeding scientists' warnings about
	Conservation	North Atlantic depletion and South Atlantic imminent risk. Specifically:
		Immediately prohibit all shortfin mako retentions
		Ensure specific scientific advice for minimizing incidental mortality
		is developed and implemented as a matter of urgency
WCPFC	Harvest Strategies	Accelerate action on comprehensive, precautionary strategies across
		all tuna stocks to avoid the risk of suspension of MSC Certified tuna
		fisheries in the western and central Pacific Ocean. Specifically, in 2020:
		Adopt Target Reference Points for bigeye and Yellowfin
		Adopt a list of candidate management procedures for skipjack &
		albacore

¹ The International Observer Bill of Rights (IOBR) guidelines for ensuring fair and safe working conditions for observers, empowering them to freely report their findings and ensure the validity of their data. ² ICCAT - Rec. 16-15; IOTC - Res. 19/06; WCPFC - CMM 2009 06

³ We will add specifications/recommendations based on the IOTC yellowfin management advice project