

Highly Migratory Species EFP, SRP, and Display Permit Interim Report

This form is mandatory for all HMS exempted fishing, scientific research, and display permit holders; voluntary for all letter of acknowledgment permit holders. Please complete and mail this form within 5 days of landing/collection/tagging to the National Marine Fisheries Service, HMS Management Division, Attn: Heather Stirratt, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Permit Number: _____
 Vessel Name: _____
 Authorized Sampler (print): _____
 Did you fish? (circle one): YES NO

Gear Used (circle one): PLL BLL GIL HNL HND
 PKN BLK SCU PS TWL HAR BUY CSN
 Other: _____
 Protected Resources Interactions (circle one): YES NO

Certification: I certify that the information provided by me on this form is true to the best of my knowledge, and made in good faith. FALSE STATEMENT ON THIS FORM IS PUNISHABLE BY LAW.
 Name of Permit Holder/Associate (print): _____
 Signature of Permit Holder/Associate: _____
 Date: _____

Fish #	Date (Landed, Caught, or Tagged)	Species (Common Name)	Length (inches)				Weight (pounds)		Sex	Disposition (Dead, Alive, Tagged, Alive)		Price (if sold, U.S. \$)	Tag Information (if applicable)		Area Caught (Lat/Long)	Area Released (Lat/Long)	Port Landed (city, state)	Captivity Location (if kept for public display)	Water	
			Fork	Total	Pectoral Width	Lower Jaw	ww	dw		Kept	Discarded/Released		Type	Number					Depth (meters)	Surface Temp. (° C)
(Ex)	1/1/04	Sandbar		21.3			27		M	Alive			C	11111				HMS Aquarium	9	27
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Instructions for the Interim Report Form

NOTE: All data provided are confidential and will be used to determine the cumulative effects of exempted fishing activities on marine resources as well as provide scientific information on species that would otherwise be prohibited from collection/possession. Consistent and accurate reporting is critical for achieving the benefits of conservation and management of Atlantic Highly Migratory Species fisheries. This form is mandatory for all Exempted Fishing, Scientific Research, and Display Permit holders. This form is voluntary for all Letter of Acknowledgment Permit holders. If you have any questions, please contact the HMS Management Division at (301) 713-2347. For additional copies of the Interim Report Form, respondents may either make additional copies or contact the HMS Management Division at the number listed above. If you did not fish during any one month, please submit a copy of the Interim Report Form within 5 days of the last day of the "no-fish" month, noting that you did not fish by circling the appropriate response under Fishing Activity (i.e., Did you fish: YES NO). If you did fish, you must complete and submit a copy of the Interim Report Form within 5 days of landing, collecting, or tagging fish authorized under an EFP, SRP, or Display Permit. Please use a separate form for each gear type.

STEP 1

Please use a ballpoint pen and print clearly to record the following on the form:

- Permit Number: The permit number located at the top of each permit issued.
- Vessel Name: The name of the vessel authorized and used to collect or tag fish.
- Authorized Sampler (print): The name of the person authorized to sample, collect, or tag fish.
- Fishing Activity: If you did not fish circle no. If you did fish circle yes.
- Gear Used: Circle the appropriate code for the gear type used in the authorized fishing activity. The codes are as follows: PLL = Pelagic Longline; BLL = Bottom Longline; GIL = Gilnet; HNL = Hook and Line (including rod and reel); HND = Handnet; PKN = Plankton Net; BLK = Blockline; SCU = Scuba; PS = Purse Seine; TWL = Trawl; HAR = Harpoon; BUY = Buoy; CSN = Castnet; Other = Any other gear type not listed above.
- Protected Species Interactions: Indicate Yes or No to explain whether any interactions with protected species occurred during the authorized fishing activity. If you answer yes, please enter the date, protected species common name, disposition, area caught, area released, and water information as listed in the table format.
- Name of Permit Holder/Associate: Printed name of permit holder/associate as listed on permit.
- Signature of Permit Holder/Associate: Signed name of permit holder/associate as listed on permit.
- Date: Date of signature as listed above.

STEP 2 (If the answer to "Did you fish?", in Step 1 above, was no, then proceed to STEP 3 below)

Please use a ballpoint pen and print clearly to record the following on the form:

- Date: Calendar date (month/day/year) that fish was landed, caught, or tagged.
- Species: Common name of the Highly Migratory Species (HMS) landed, caught, or tagged. Please also include the common name of any protected species incidentally caught during the authorized fishing activity.
- Length:
- Weight: Weight of the fish in either whole weight (ww) or dressed weight (dw).
- Sex: Sex (Male = M; Female = F; Unknown = U) of fish.
- Disposition: Notation of whether the fish is dead, alive, or tagged alive when either kept, discarded or released.
- Price: Sales price (in U.S. dollars) when fish is sold.
- Tag Information: Type of tag may be coded for the following: Conventional = C; PIT Tag = P ; or Archival = A. Tag number is the unique identifier for each tag.
- Area Caught: Location (i.e., Latitude and Longitude) where fish is caught.
- Area Released: Location (i.e., Latitude and Longitude) where fish is released.
- Port Landed: Port location (i.e., city and state) where fish is landed, if kept or sold.
- Captivity Location: Location (i.e., facility name) where fish is kept or offloaded for public display.
- Water: Provide measurement of the water depth (in meters) and surface temperature (in degrees Celsius), if known.

STEP 3

- Make copies of all interim report forms for your records.
- Mail the original interim report form to the National Marine Fisheries Service, HMS Management Division, Attn: Heather Stirratt, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.