

Observer Evaluation

The SEFSC Miami Laboratory recently placed an observer aboard your vessel for observer coverage. In an attempt to monitor the quality of observers we send on commercial vessels, we would appreciate it if you would take the time to fill out this questionnaire. We wish to insure that the observers conduct themselves professionally, are safe, and get along with the crew during a voyage. Please fill in the information below and return to: **Shark Fishery Observer Program, 3500 Delwood Beach Rd, Panama City, FL 32408-7403**. Your information is important to us in order to run a better observer program. If you are the owner and were not present during the trip, please consult with your captain.

Observer name: _____ **Vessel assigned:** _____

Dates of trip: _____

Please provide yes or no responses. You can provide more detailed comments about the observer on the back if you wish.

1. Did the observer delay your departure time? _____
2. Was the observer's conduct while aboard your vessel professional? _____
3. Was the observer easy to work with? _____
4. Did you notice any problems between the observer and the crew? _____
5. Did the observer get his work done in a timely manner as to not impact your normal operations significantly?

6. Did you and the observer discuss vessel safety procedures? _____
7. Was the observer seen doing anything that seemed unsafe? _____
8. Did the observer seem to experience seasickness? _____
9. Did the observer help keep clean the galley area _____; bunk area _____;
Help with dishes _____?

Evaluation filled out by: Owner / Captain (circle one)

Additional comments on the questions please place on the back of form.

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