

**Highly Migratory Species Observer Notification Form**

**This form is provided for your response.** Please provide the information requested below and at least 5 days prior to your estimated departure. The mailing address and FAX number you should use are on the back of this form. If the vessel is not fishing or is involved in another fishery during the selection period, please indicate this under Vessel Fishing Status.

Captain's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Vessel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Documentation/Vessel Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Overall Length: \_\_\_\_\_ (ft)

Crew Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (include skipper) Bunk Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ Life Raft Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person/Telephone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Communication Equipment (please check)</b>	<b>Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety Examination Decal</b>
Cellular phone:	Serial Number:
VHF:	Date of issuance:
Single Side Band:	_____/_____ Month      Year
Call sign:	

**Vessel Fishing Status:**

**Port of Departure:**

Dock Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Time: \_\_\_\_\_ (AM or PM)

**Expected Landing Port:**

Dock Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Landing Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the information given on this form is true and correct, and that I have full authority to execute this form.*

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*Signature*

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*Date*

*For the Pelagic Observer Program, please return by mail to SEFSC Pelagic Observer Program, 75 Virginia Beach Dr. Miami, FL 33149 or fax to 305-361-4282. For questions, call 800-858-0624.*

*For the Shark Observer Program, please return by mail to SEFSC Shark Bottom Longline Observer Program, 3500 Delwood Beach Rd, Panama City, FL 32408-7403 or fax to (850) 235-3559. For questions, call (850) 234-6541.*

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