Hello, my name is $\qquad$ and I represent the Fisheries Research Group of QuanTech, Inc. We are interviewing boat captains and owners for a study sponsored by the National Marine Fisheries Service of the U.S. Department of Commerce. I'd like to ask you a few questions about your fishing.
a. On this vessel, are you the captain, owner, or mate or passenger (proxy designated by the captain to participate in this survey)?

## $\curvearrowright$ Yes CONTINUE

$\checkmark$ No TERMINATE AND TALLY
b. Did your boat just return from an offshore rod and reel or handline fishing trip in which you targeted large fish such as tunas, billfish, sharks, swordfish, dolphinfish, wahoo, amberjack, or other large pelagic fish?

$\curvearrowright$ Yes CONTINUE

$\bigcirc$ No TERMINATE AND TALLY

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2013 Large Pelagics Intercept Survey Questionnaire OMB No. 0648-0380 (Exp. xx/xx/xxxx) 1. INTERVIEWER CODE $\square$ 2. INTERVIEW DATE (MO / DAY) $\square$ 3. INTERVIEW TIME $\square$
4. STATE CODE $\square$ 5. CONTROL NUMBER $\square$ 6. DOCUMENT NUMBER $\square$

7b. CLUSTER $\square$ 8. SITE TYPE $\square$
9. What is the name of your boat?

## $2>$ (MARK HERE IF THE BOAT DOES NOT HAVE A NAME)

10a. Is your boat primarily operated as a...
Private Boat
Charter Boat
Party/Head Boat

10b. Was the trip today a charter trip or private trip?
Charter
Private

11a. Does the boat have a NMFS HMS permit, and if so, what category is it?

| $\longrightarrow$ | General | $4 \bigcirc$ No HMS Permit < GO TO Q. 12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Angling | Don't Know < GO TO Q. 12 |
| $3<$ | Charter/Head Boat | Refused < GO TO Q. 12 |

11b. What is your boat's NMFS HMS permit number?

12. Can you tell me/verify your boat's Coast Guard document number?

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13. Can you tell me/verify your boat's state registration number?

14. What State is the principal port of your vessel [on your HMS permit application]?

< State FIPS Code (Numbers)
15. At about what time did your boat return to this site?
(USE 24 HOUR CLOCK)
16. For what large pelagic species were you primarily fishing today? (Probe for at least one species. If Bluefin Tuna, probe for size category. Choose appropriate code from Coding List.)
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| 1 |  |  |  |$\quad 1$ st LPS Target $\qquad$

$2^{\text {nd }}$ LPS Target $\qquad$

17a. Were you participating in a tournament today?
$1 \longleftrightarrow$ Yes $8 \longrightarrow$ Don't Know $<$ GO TO Q. 18
$2 \longrightarrow \mathrm{No}<$ GO TO Q. 18
$9>$ Refused $<$ GO TO Q. 18

18. What type of hooks were used?
(READ LIST; FILL IN ALL THAT APPLY)
$1>$ Circle $3 \longrightarrow$ Other (Specify Below)
$2 \longrightarrow$ Non-Circle/J-Hook Other_
19. How many fishing lines were used?

20. How many hours were spent fishing for large pelagic species? That is, how many hours were the lines in the water?

21. Which type of bait was used?
(READ LIST; FILL IN ALL THAT APPLY)
$1 \longleftrightarrow$ Live $\quad 1 \longleftrightarrow$ Artificial
22. Which method was used?
(READ LIST; FILL IN ALL THAT APPLY)
$1 \circlearrowleft$ Trolling $1 \longleftrightarrow$ Chumming
$1>$ Chunking $1>$ Other (SPECIFY BELOW)

23. How many people on the boat were actively fishing with rod and reel or handline for large pelagic species?

24. Where were you fishing for large pelagic species?

25. How many miles were you offshore-that is, how many miles was it to the nearest land?

26. How many feet deep was the water (depth to the bottom)?

27. What was the surface water temperature in degrees Fahrenheit?

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| $<$ |  | Water Temperature

28. In the event that my supervisor wishes to verify that I have been conducting interviews here today, may I have your name and telephone number? RESPONDENT'S NAME

AREA CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER


PROXY? $\rightarrow<$ YES $><$ NO $\longrightarrow$ <RESPONDENT WOULD NOT PROVIDE A NAME OR TELEPHONE NUMBER

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30. What species were caught? SEE LIST BELOW; FOR EACH SPECIES, ASK: How many of those did you keep? INTERVIEWER: OF THOSE THAT WERE KEPT, HOW MANY DID YOU OBSERVE AND IDENTIFY? How many of those were released alive? How many of those were released dead? How many of those that were kept were sold or will be sold? IF Q.17a=YES, How many of those that were kept were weighed-in or will be weighed-in at the tournament weigh station?


| $B F F$ | BFT - Young School (1-685 mm)............ 4673 | Blue Marlin............................... 2171 | Atlantic Bonito.......... 0330 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | BFT - School (686-1193 mm).................. 4677 | White Marlin.............................. 2161 | Dolphin.................... 1050 |
| SIZE <br> CATEGORY <br> BY CURVED <br> FORK <br> LENGTH (CFL) | BFT - Large School (1194-1498 mm)...... 4678 | Swordfish.................................. 4328 | Greater Amberjack..... 0030 |
|  | BFT - Small Medium (1499-1854 mm)... 4676 | Shortfin Mako Shark.................... 3551 | Wahoo..................... 4720 |
|  | BFT - Large Medium (1855-2057 mm)... 4679 | Unidentified Hammerhead Shark... 4950 | Non-Large Pelagic Species |
|  | BFT - Giant (2058+ mm)........................ 4671 | Blue Shark................................. 4931 | Atlantic Mackerel....... 2120 |
| 十 | Bigeye Tuna......................................... 4691 | Common Thresher Shark.............. 3531 | Spiny Dogfish............ 3521 |
|  | Albacore.............................................. 4701 | Dusky Shark.............................. 4841 | riped Bass.............. 4180 |
|  | Yellowfin Tuna..................................... 4711 | Sandbar Shark............................ 4821 | Bluefish.................... 0230 |
|  | Skipjack Tuna...................................... 4661 | Little Tunny............................... 4681 | Cod.......................... 0815 |

Notes:
31. May I measure the fish? (INTERVIEWER: If fish were kept, but not observed/identified or measured, you must provide reason why in the notes section above.)
$1<$ Yes $\downarrow$ RECORD SPECIES CODE, LENGTH, GENDER, AND PREPARATION OF SPECIMEN
$2<$ No •THANK RESPONDENT


