

# Catch Category Sampling Description Form



Observer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight Method: \_\_\_\_\_

Gear Type: \_\_\_\_\_

## Weight Method Description

Under what circumstances was this weight method used, how often and why?

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Explain how this weight method was used to determine *Catch Weight*. Detail your sampling frame and describe any randomization techniques or tools, if any were used.

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**Describe** any factors that may apply:

- Retained/Discarded
- Total Catch Weight
- Species Diversity
- Handling of Priority Species
- Time Restrictions
- Unusual Sorting

**Trawl:**

- Collection of sample baskets
- Selection of visual section(s)
- Selection of fish for average weight

**Fixed Gear:**

- % of gear sampled
- Selection of tally periods

Record any formulas used to calculate *Catch Weight*.

## Sample Method Description

State which sample method(s) were used and why.

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- SM 1: Whole Haul
- SM 2: Single Basket
- SM 3: Multi-Basket
- SM 4: FG Sample

Describe how you sampled for *Species Composition*. Provide details on any subsampling or randomization techniques, if any were used.

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If no SC was required record NA.

**Trawl:**

- How baskets were selected to subsample
- How individuals were selected for avg. fish # calculations

**Fixed Gear:**

- How individuals were collected for avg wts.
- Any sample weight calculations

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## Biosampling Description

Describe how biologist was randomly selected (*trawl only*).

How were fish randomly selected to biosample if less than 100% were sampled?

*If no biosamples were required record N/A*

- Detail sampling in Spatial, Temporal or Systematic terms
- If unable to collect samples, explain why
- Describe handling of priority species

### Additional Notes:

#### Trawl Weight Methods

- 1 Actual Weight
- 3 Basket Weight Determination
- 5 OTC – Retained
- 6 Other
- 7 Vessel Estimate
- 8 Extrapolation
- 9 PHLB L/W Conversion
- 14 Visual Experience
- 15 Visual Spatial
- 19 PHLB L/W Extrapolation

#### Trawl Sample Methods

- 1 Whole Haul
- 2 Single Basket
- 3 Multiple Basket

#### Fixed Gear Weight Methods

- 6 Other
- 9 PHLB L/W Conversion
- 13 Tally Sample
- 14 Visual Experience
- 19 PHLB L/W Extrapolation

#### Fixed Gear Sample Methods

- 4 Fixed Gear Sample