



**SCALE PRINTED OUTPUT**

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<p><b>Printed report of flow scale catch weight and cumulative weight</b></p>	<p>The printed output of scale weights is used by NMFS staff, observers, and NOAA Enforcement personnel to maintain accurate records of catch and to ensure compliance with quotas. The scale printout also forms the basis of an audit trail for each haul that can be used to resolve inconsistencies in catch reports submitted by the observer and the vessel or processor.</p> <p>These printouts are not submitted to NMFS. The printed report must be provided to the authorized scale inspector at each scale inspection and must also be printed at any time during the fishing year upon request of the observer, the scale inspector, NMFS staff, or an authorized officer. The printed reports must be retained by the vessel owner for three years after the test occurred. The printed report must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vessel name</li> <li>FFP or FPP number</li> <li>Haul or set number</li> <li>Total weight of catch in the haul or set</li> <li>Total cumulative weight of all fish or other material weighed on the scale</li> <li>Date and time the information is printed</li> </ul>
<p><b>Printed report of flow scale for audit trail</b></p>	<p>Current regulations require that adjustments to the scale be recorded in the form of an audit trail that can only be cleared by NMFS or other authorized personnel. Although scales may be recalibrated or tested at any time during the day, the audit trail is designed to record information that will be used to determine whether a scale had been incorrectly adjusted and then readjusted just prior to the scale test.</p> <p>An audit trail in the form of an event logger must be provided to document changes made using adjustable components. The following information must be provided in an electronic form that cannot be changed or erased by the scale operator, can be printed at any time, and can be cleared by the scale manufacturer’s representative upon direction by NMFS or by an authorized scale inspector. The printed report must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vessel name</li> <li>FFP or FPP number</li> <li>Haul or set number</li> <li>Date and time (Alaska local time, to the nearest minute) adjustment was made</li> <li>Name or type of adjustment being made</li> <li>Initial and final values of the parameter being changed</li> </ul>
<p><b>Printed report from flow scale calibration log</b></p>	<p>NMFS requires vessel operators to print and retain a calibration log that records the last 1,000 calibrations or all calibrations since the scale electronics were first put into service, whichever is less. The limit of 1,000 faults and 1,000 calibrations are expected to accommodate the total number of calibrations likely to occur between annual scale inspections. The calibration log must be printed and retained by the vessel owner before any information stored in the scale computer memory is replaced.</p> <p>These printouts are not submitted to NMFS. The printed record of the scale calibration log is collected and reviewed at the time of the annual scale inspection. The calibration log must be printed on request by NMFS staff, OLE, or other NMFS authorized personnel. The printed report must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vessel name</li> <li>FFP or FPP number</li> <li>Month, day, and year of the calibration</li> <li>Time of the calibration (Alaska local time) to the nearest minute</li> <li>Weight used to calibrate the scale</li> <li>Magnitude of the calibration in comparison to the prior calibration</li> </ul>

<p><b>Printed report from hopper scale catch weight and cumulative weight</b></p>	<p>The scale must produce a complete and accurate printed report of the weight of each species in a landing. All of the crab in a delivery must be weighed on a scale capable of producing a complete printed report. A report of each landing must be printed before the Registered Crab Receiver submits a Crab Rationalization Program (CR) landing report (see OMB 0648-0515) and must be printed at least once every 24 hours prior to submitting a CR crab landing report as described in § 680.5. Reports must also be printed before any information stored in the scale computer memory is replaced.</p> <p>Printed reports from the scale must be maintained on board the vessel until the end of the year during which the reports were made and be made available to NMFS or NMFS authorized personnel. In addition, the vessel owner must retain printed reports for 3 years after the end of the year during which the printouts were made. The printed report must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vessel name</li> <li>Federal crab vessel permit number</li> <li>Weight of each load in the weighing cycle</li> <li>Date and time the information was printed</li> <li>Total amount weighed since the last printout was made</li> <li>Total cumulative weight of all crab or other material weighed on the scale</li> </ul>
<p><b>Printed report from hopper scale crab audit trail</b></p>	<p>An audit trail in the form of an event logger must be provided to document changes made using adjustable components. The following information must be provided in an electronic form that cannot be changed or erased by the scale operator, can be printed at any time, and can be cleared by the scale manufacturer’s representative upon direction by NMFS or by an authorized scale inspector.</p> <p>The printed report must be provided to the authorized scale inspector at each scale inspection and must also be printed at any time upon request of NMFS staff or other NMFS-authorized personnel. The printed report must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vessel name</li> <li>FFP or FPP number</li> <li>Haul or set number</li> <li>Date and time (to the nearest minute) that the adjustment was made</li> <li>Name or type of adjustment being made</li> <li>Initial and final values of the parameter being changed</li> </ul>
<p><b>Printed record from the State of Alaska scale</b></p>	<p>A scale identified in a shoreside processor or stationary floating processor Catch Monitoring and Control Plan (CMCP) must produce a printed record for each delivery, or portion of a delivery, weighed on that scale. All of the groundfish in a delivery must be weighed on a scale capable of producing a complete printed record. Printouts must be retained and made available to NMFS-authorized personnel including observers.</p> <p>NMFS may exempt scales not designed for automatic bulk weighing from some or all of the printed record requirements if the CMCP identifies any scale that cannot produce a complete printed record, states how the processor will use the scale, and states how the plant intends to produce a complete record of the total weight of each delivery. The printed report must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Processor name</li> <li>Weight of each load in the weighing cycle</li> <li>Total weight of fish in each delivery, or portion of the delivery that was weighed on that scale</li> <li>Total cumulative weight of all fish or other material weighed on the scale since the last annual inspection</li> <li>Date and time the information is printed</li> <li>Name and ADF&amp;G number of the vessel making the delivery</li> <li>(This information may be written on the scale printout in pen by the scale operator at the time of delivery.)</li> </ul>

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