

**SHORT-TAILED ALBATROSS RECOVERY DATA FORM**

<b>I. CAPTURE INFORMATION</b>			
<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>GPS Location:</b> Lat.: _____ Long.: _____	
<b>Vessel Name:</b>	<b>Left Leg Band:</b> Color: _____	<b>Right Leg Band:</b> Color: _____	<b>Photograph</b> (check one):  <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If a photo is taken, attach to form when submitted.
<b>Official Number:</b>	Number: _____	Number: _____	
<b>Bird alive at capture?</b> (check one) <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No (If "No", do not fill out Sections II through V. Instead, please refer to the dead short-tailed albatross instructions on the "Short-tailed Albatross Handling Guidelines" placard.)			
<b>Bird captured during</b> (check one): Haul <input type="radio"/> Soak <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input type="radio"/>		<b>Hook Type</b> (check one): Circle <input type="radio"/> J-hook <input type="radio"/> Tuna <input type="radio"/> <b>Hook Size</b> (if known): _____	
<b>II. ASSESS BIRD'S CONDITION</b>			
Answer the following questions by marking an "x" in the Yes or No column. If all questions are answered "Yes," the bird may be released following the release guidelines on the "Short-tailed Albatross Handling Guidelines" placard. <i>Please indicate location of injury on bird diagram</i> (Page 3).			
<b>Observation Checklist</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Comments</b>
1. Can the bird stand and hold head upright?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
2. Is the bird alert, responsive, aware of surroundings?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
3. Are the eyes open?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
4. Does the bird breathe with its bill closed?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
5. Does the bird breathe quietly, without noises?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
6. Is the bird holding its wings in a normal position up and against the body, without drooping?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
7. Can the bird flap its wings?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
8. Is the bird free from visible damage? (If "No," note the wounds on bird diagram.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
9. Is the bird free from hooks or entangled fishing line? If the hook has been swallowed, please note in comments. (If "No," note location of fishing gear on bird diagram)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	

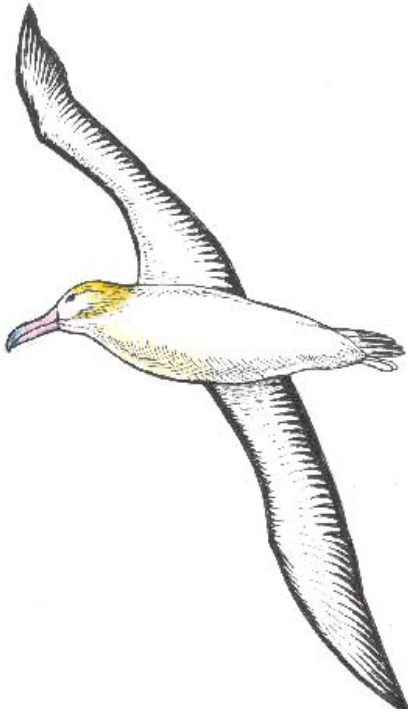
<b>III. TREATMENT</b>		
Name of veterinarian contacted:		Date:
Time:		
<b><i>Date/Time:</i></b>	<b><i>Treatment Administered:</i></b>	
<b>IV. RECOVERY</b>		
<b><i>Observation Period</i></b> (Check bird at 30 minutes, 1 hour, and every few hours. Use more sheets if necessary)		
<b><i>Date/Time:</i></b>	<b><i>Bird Behavior/Condition:</i></b>	
<b>V. RELEASE</b> (Note: Follow release criteria and guidelines in the “Handling and Release Guidelines for Short-tailed Albatross” placard.)		
Release Date:		Release Time:
Release Location (Lat. / Long.):		
Bird Behavior After Release:		

Submit form and photo (if taken) to U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service by email to [pifwo\\_admin@fws.gov](mailto:pifwo_admin@fws.gov)

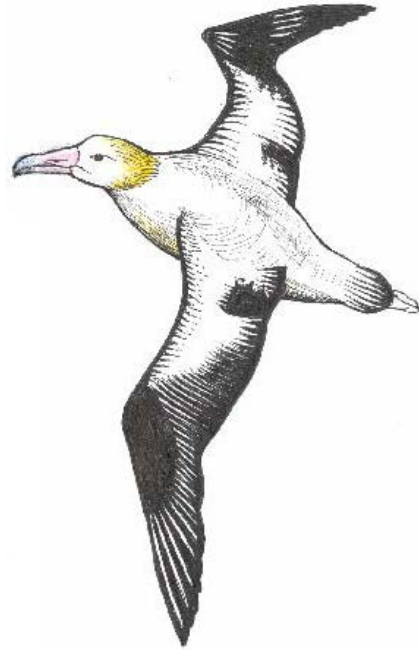
## Short-tailed Albatross Figures for Noting Wounds, Hooks, and Lines

(Circle or draw where injury or fishing gear is located on bird. If the hook has been swallowed, please note this in Section II, Item 9)

*Drawings by Ronald L. Walker*

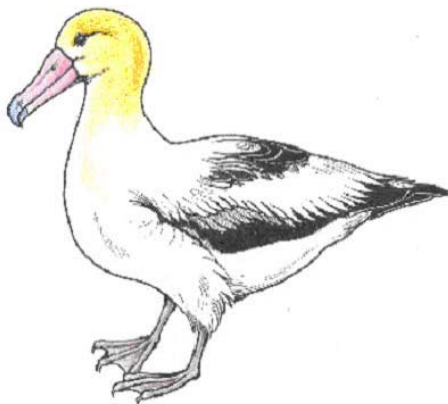


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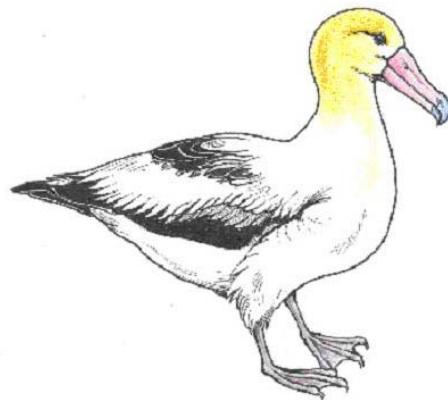


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Purpose: Hawaii longline fishermen must safely handle and release short-tailed albatrosses (STAL - *Phoebastria albatrus*) caught incidentally during fishing operations, as required by a US Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Biological Opinion implemented in regulations at 50 CFR 665.815(b). If a bird is brought on board, fishermen are required to collect information, complete a STAL recovery data form, and follow instructions in the regulations for the handling of the bird. They must submit the form to FWS at the end of the trip.

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This information is being collected to provide the information needed to maximize the probability of long-term survival of an injured short-tailed albatross that is incidentally hooked or entangled by longline gear during fishing operations conducted by a Hawaii-based longline fishing vessel.

Responses to the collection are required by the January 6, 2012, biological opinion issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under the authority of the Endangered Species Act and regulations implementing the Fishery Ecosystem Plan for Pacific Pelagic Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region (ref. 50 CFR 665.815). Data provided concerning the vessel operators are handled as confidential under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (sec.402(b)). Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.