# HIGH SEAS TRANSSHIPMENT DECLARATION FORM

Complete this form to report transshipments that took place on the high seas, in situations where completion of the Pacific Transshipment Declaration Form is not required. Mail or fax the completed form to the Regional Administrator who issued the vessel's high seas fishing permit. Address and fax number is provided on your high seas fishing permit. Forms must be submitted within 15 days of the vessel entering port.

LOCATION OF TRANSSHIPMENT: DATES OF TRANSSHIPMENT:										
Section 1: OFFLOADING VESSEL			Section 2: RECEIVING VESSEL							
VESSEL NAME:			VESSEL NAME:							
OFFICIAL NUMBER:			OFFICIAL NUMBER:							
NAME OF VESSEL OPERATOR:			NAME OF VESSEL OPERATOR:							
			QUANTITY OF FISH PRODCUT ALREADY ON BOARD THE RECEIVING VESSEL PRIOR TO THIS TRANSSHIPMENT							
			Amount:	Unit o	f Measurement:					
Section 4: TRANSSHIPED FISH WEIGHT. WW: whole weight, GG: gilled & gutted, CGEAR. PS: purse seines, DL drifting longlines, PL: (non-squid), OT: other type of gear			perated vertica	l lines (non-squid), <b>D</b>			MVL: mechanized	l vertical lines		
SPECIES			QUANTITY	TRANSSHIPED	FISHING GEAR	GEOGRAPHIC LOCA		ATCHES		
	FR-Fresh FZ-Frozen DR-Dried	FORM OF PRODUCT (enter weight codes shown above)	NUMBER OF FISH	ESTIMATED WEIGHT AND UNIT OF MEASUREMENT	USED TO TAKE THE FISH (enter gear code as shown above)	Ocean Area	Circle One: EEZ (Country of Capture) or HS (High Seas)	If EEZ, enter the country of capture		
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Section 5: CREW OR SUPPLIES FROM	RECEIVING VESSEL									
Were any of the following provided by the	receiving vessel to the o	ffloading vessel?								
Crew (enter number of persons):	Fuel (en	Fuel (enter amount): Supplies (enter type):								
Section 6: SIGNATURE										
I certify that the above information is comp	plete and accurate to the	best of my know	ledge.							
OWNER or OPERATOR NAME (Print):				SIGNATUF	SIGNATURE:					
Indicate if owner or operator of: G Offloadi	ng Vessel & Receiving	Vessel								

Section 4: TRANSSHIPED FISH

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 60 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other suggestions for reducing this burden to Trade and Marine Stewardship Division, NMFS Office of International Affairs and Seafood Inspection, 1315 East-West Hwy (F/IS), Silver Spring, MD 20910. Information submitted to NMFS will be managed as confidential data consistent with the requirements of NOAA Administrative Order 216-100 and regulations under 50 CFR Part 300. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subjected 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.

# HIGH SEAS TRANSSHIPMENT DECLARATION FORM INSTRUCTIONS

Complete this form for any transshipments taking place on the high seas where the use of the Pacific Transshipment Declaration Form is not required. Mail or fax the completed form to the Regional Administrator who issued the vessel's high seas fishing permit. The address and fax number can be found on your high seas fishing permit. Forms must be submitted within 15 days of the vessel entering port.

**LOCATION OF TRANSSHIPMENT:** Enter the latitude and longitude in decimal form, to the nearest 0.1 degrees, at the start of the transshipment.

**DATE(S) OF TRANSSHIPMENT:** Enter the beginning and ending dates for the transshipment as MM/DD/YYYY to MM/DD/YYYY.

#### Section 1: OFFLOADING VESSEL

Enter the name of the offloading vessel. Enter the offloading vessel's official number, which is the documentation number assigned by the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) or the certificate number issued by a state for an undocumented vessel, or any equivalent number if the vessel is registered in a foreign nation.

Enter the full name of the offloading vessel operator. "Operator" means the master or other individual aboard and in charge of the vessel.

# **Section 2: RECEIVING VESSEL**

Enter the name of the receiving vessel. Enter the receiving vessel's official number, which is the documentation number assigned by the USCG or the certificate number issued by a state for an undocumented vessel, or any equivalent number if the vessel is registered in a foreign nation. Enter the full name of the receiving vessel operator. "Operator" means the master or other individual aboard and in charge of the vessel.

Enter the estimated quantity of fish product on board the receiving vessel prior to this transshipment, broken down by the area of capture of the product. Enter the unit of measurement for the amount (pounds (lb) or metric tons (mt)).

#### Section 3: TRANSSHIPED FISH

If a given species was in more than one condition (e.g., both fresh and frozen) or in more than one product form (e.g., some whole and some gutted and gilled), a separate entry must be made in each instance. If a given species was caught by different gear types, a separate entry must be made for each gear type.

For each entry, identify the processed state of the fish (FR for fresh, FZ for frozen, or DR for dried), the processed state of the product using the weight codes identified on the form, and the estimated weight of the product transshipped and the unit of measurement (pounds (lb), metric tons (mt), or

kilograms (kg)). Operators completing Section 7 of the form must use kg as the unit of measurement. For longline-caught fish, also enter the number of fish transshipped.

For each species transshipped, enter the fishing gear used to take the fish using the gear codes identified on the form. If the fishing gear is not included in the list, enter the code for "Other type(s) of gear" (OT) and specify the fishing gear.

For each entry, enter ocean area (North or South Atlantic, North or South Pacific, etc.) in which the product was caught. Circle EEZ if the product was caught in waters under national jurisdiction (of any nation). Circle HS if the product was caught on the high seas (in international waters). If EEZ is circled, specify the name of the country in whose waters the fish were captured.

Additional forms should be used to accommodate additional species and multiple entries of the same species.

### Section 4: CREW OR SUPPLIES FROM RECEIVING VESSEL

Enter information on any crew, fuel, or supplies provided to the offloading vessel.

### **Section 5: SIGNATURE**

The owner or operator of the vessel must print his or her name, sign it, and give the date of signature. Check one box to indicate whether you are the owner or operator of the OFFLOADING vessel or the owner or operator of the RECEIVING vessel.

#### **Public Burden Statement**

A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with an information collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 unless the information collection has a currently valid OMB Control Number. The approved OMB Control Number for this information collection is 0648-0304. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey/information collection. Public reporting for this information collection is estimated to be approximately one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information collection. All responses to this information collection are voluntary/mandatory/required to obtain benefits. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the National Marine Fisheries Service Name, Attn: Foreign Affairs Specialist Kent Laborde at kent.laborde@noaa.gov.