

Recommendation to amend Articles 23 and 27 and Annexes XV A and B, of the NEAFC Scheme of Control and Enforcement (GIES)

The Commission hereby adopts the following recommendation pursuant to Article 8 of the Convention:

A new paragraph 7 is added to Article 23 of the NEAFC Scheme:

Article 23 - Landing or transhipment and other use of ports

[...]

7. A Contracting Party may indicate in the PSC form that it has not authorised the use of its ports for reasons listed in Article 11 of the FAO PSMA. In such cases, the port State decision to not authorise (denial) landings, transhipments or use of port services shall be shared with the PSMA Global Information Exchange System (GIES), in accordance with the FAO PSMA, unless that Contracting Party has notified otherwise.

- Article 27.4 of the NEAFC Scheme is amended as follows:

Article 27 – Inspection Report

[...]

4. The Secretary shall put copies of the inspection reports on the inspectors' area of the NEAFC website without delay. [By 2027], the port State shall share as appropriate, in accordance with the FAO PSMA, the results of the port inspection with the PSMA GIES, unless the inspecting Contracting Party has notified otherwise.

ANNEX XV - Port-State Control Forms*

- Part C of the PSC1 and PSC2 forms are amended as follows

Annex XV a- Form PSC 1

Notifications and the completion of Parts A, B and C, pursuant to Articles 22, 23 and 39 shall be done through an online application established and maintained by the Secretary on the NEAFC website.

An email or a fax-based system, using the forms set out in Annex XV, shall be used as a back-up system in the event that the NEAFC website is offline.

NEAFC PORT STATE CONTROL FORM PSC 1							
PART A: To be completed by the Master of the Vessel. Please write in black ink ⁶ .							
Name of Vessel:	IMO Number: ¹		Radio Call Sign:		Flag State:		
Email Address:	Telephone Number:		Fax Number:		Inmarsat Number:		
Vessel Master's Name	Vessel Master's Nationality		Vessel Owner		Certificate of Registry ID		
Vessel Dimension:	Length (m)		Beam (m)		Draft (m)		
Port State			Port of Landing Transshipment, or other Use of Port				
Reason for Port Entry	Landing:(y/n)		Transshipment: (y/n)		Other: y/n)		
If reason for port entry is transshipment enter receiver vessel details below*:							
Name of Vessel:	IMO Number:		Radio Call Sign:		Flag State:		
Last port of call			Date:				
Estimated time of arrival		Date:		Time UTC:			
Total catch on board - all areas							Catch to be landed ²
Species ³	Product ⁴	Packaging or Container ⁴	Type of processing ⁵	Area of catch	Conversion Factor	Product Weight (kg)	Product Weight (kg)

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				NEAFC CA (ICES subareas and divisions)	NAFO RA Sub Division	Other Areas			

PART B: For official use only - to be completed by the Flag State

The Flag State of the vessel must respond to the following questions by marking in the box "Yes" or "No"	NEAFC CA		NAFO RA	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
a) The fishing vessel declared to have caught the fish had sufficient quota for the species declared				
b) The quantities on board have been duly reported and taken into account for the calculation of any catch or effort limitations that may be applicable				
c) The fishing vessel declared to have caught the fish had authorisation to fish in the area declared				
d) The presence of the fishing vessel in the area of catch declared has been verified according to VMS data				

Flag State confirmation: *I confirm that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

Name and Title:		Date:	
Signature:	Official Stamp:		

PART C: NEAFC Port-State Authorisation

Authorisation given to commence Landing, transshipment operations or other use of port services for fisheries resources caught in the NEAFC Convention Area

Name of Port State:			
Data sharing in accordance with PSMA: Denial of entry into port for reasons listed in PSMA Article 11 *			Share this denial
Authorisation:	Yes:	No:	Date:
Signature:	Official Stamp:		

(*) If Yes is selected, denials of entry into port for reasons listed in PSMA Article 11 will be transmitted through the NEAFC PSC system to the PSMA GIES unless that Contracting Party has notified otherwise.

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NOTES

1. Fishing vessels not assigned an IMO number shall provide their external registration number
2. If necessary an additional form or forms shall be used
3. [FAO Species Codes https://www.neafc.org/mdr/NEAFC_SPECIES](https://www.neafc.org/mdr/NEAFC_SPECIES)
4. Product presentations https://www.neafc.org/mdr/NEAFC_PRODUCT_PRESENTATION
and https://www.neafc.org/mdr/NEAFC_PACKAGING_OR_CONTAINER
5. Type of processing NEAFC https://www.neafc.org/mdr/NEAFC_PROCESSING_TYPE
6. Black ink is required if faxing forms

Annex XV b- Form PSC 2

Notifications and the completion of Parts A, B and C, pursuant to Articles 22, 23 and 39 shall be done through an online application established and maintained by the Secretary on the NEAFC website.

An email or a fax-based system, using the forms set out in Annex XV, shall be used as a back-up system in the event that the NEAFC website is offline.

NEAFC PORT STATE CONTROL FORM PSC2						
PART A: To be completed by the Master of the Vessel. A separate form shall be completed for each donor vessel. Please write in black ink ⁶						
Name of Vessel:	IMO Number: ¹		Radio Call Sign:		Flag State:	
Email Address:	Telephone Number:		Fax Number:		Inmarsat Number:	
Vessel Master's Name	Vessel Master's Nationality		Vessel Owner		Certificate of Registry ID	
Vessel Dimension:	Leng th (m)		Beam (m)		Draft (m)	
Port State			Port of Landing Transhipment or other Use of Port			
Last port of call			Date:			
Reason for Port Entry	Landin g: (y/n)		Tranship ment: (y/n)		Other: (y/n)	
If reason for port entry is transhipment enter receiver vessel details below*:						
Name of Vessel:	IMO Number: ¹		Radio Call Sign:		Flag State:	
Date of High-Seas Transhipment ⁷		Location of High- Seas Transhipment ⁷			Transhipment authorisation if relevant	
Estimated time of arrival	Date:		Time UTC:			
Estimated Time of	Date:		Time UTC:			

Arrival:						
Catch Information for Donor Vessels: A separate form shall be completed for each Donor Vessel						
Name of Vessel:	IMO Number: ¹	Radio Call Sign:			Flag State:	

Total catch on board - all areas								Catch to be landed ²	
Species ³	Product ⁴	Packaging or Container ⁴	Type of Processing ⁵	Area of catch			Conversion Factor	Product Weight (kg)	Product Weight (kg)
				NEAFC CA (ICES subareas and divisions)	NAFO RA (Sub Division)	Other Areas			

PART B: For official use only - to be completed by the Flag State								
The Flag State of the vessel must respond to the following questions by marking in the box "Yes" or "No"					NEAFC CA		NAFO RA	
					Yes	No	Yes	No
a) The fishing vessel declared to have caught the fish had sufficient quota for the species declared								
b) The quantities on board have been duly reported and taken into account for the calculation of any catch or effort limitations that may be applicable								
c) The fishing vessel declared to have caught the fish had authorisation to fish in the area declared								
d) The presence of the fishing vessel in the area of catch declared has been verified according to VMS data								
Flag State confirmation: I confirm that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.								
Name and Title:						Date:		
Signature:			Official Stamp:					

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PART C: NEAFC Port State Authorisation					
Authorisation given to commence Landing, transshipment operations or other use of port services for fisheries resources caught in the NEAFC Convention Area					
Name of Port State:					
Data sharing in accordance with PSMA: Denial of entry into port for reasons listed in PSMA Article 11*				Share this denial	Yes/No
Authorisation:	Yes:		No:		Date:
Signature:		Official Stamp:			
(*) If Yes is selected, denials of entry into port for reasons listed in PSMA Article 11 will be transmitted through the NEAFC PSC system to the PSMA GIES unless that Contracting Party has notified otherwise.					
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