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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF EU IUU CATCH DOCUMENTS

Background

Completing and distributing the United States attestation in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No.1005/2008 for fishery products caught by US-Flagged vessels (EU IUU Catch Document).

To establish and implement a procedure which will assure national uniformity in the completion and issuance of the EU-IUU Catch Document from computer based requests (online request system) and work orders (PDF requests).

General

- In order to meet the European Commission Regulation 1005/2008 ("the IUU Regulation") to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unregulated and unreported (IUU) fishing, the NOAA Fisheries Service Seafood Inspection Program (SIP), also known as the USDC Seafood Inspection Program, will begin to issue catch documents for wild fishery products caught by U.S. flagged vessels on or after January 1, 2010 and intended for export to the European Union (EU).
- The catch document will be available individually or in a package with the already required EU export health certificate. There is a fee for a single certificate or the package of both documents. Both documents may be requested electronically but only the catch document can be delivered electronically to the requestor at this time. The health certificate may only be delivered via Fed Ex or picked up in person at the nearest inspection office.
- To request export certificates for products going to the EU, a requestor must now enter a request for export certification through the SIP's new online web-based request system. To access the system, the requestor must sign up for a user account by submitting an access request to the SIP online at [Online Request System](#). This is not a lengthy process and will facilitate all future requests for certificates.

Procedures for certifying products using the EU IUU Catch Document

- A. Requests for Inspection: Whether a request is received through the online request system, telephone, fax, or in writing, the information listed on NOAA Form 89-814, (Request For Inspection Services), must be obtained from the applicant. If a written request does not contain the information necessary to issue the certificate, contact the requestor for pertinent information. (On-line applicants will be notified automatically by the online request system during the application process if information is missing or incomplete.) The EU IUU Catch Document is prepared by transferring to it the information and data below, taken from the inspection request and records relative to the shipment. The form

- B. will be distributed electronically from the SIP issuing Office on computer only.
- C. Completion: The numbered paragraphs below correspond to the numbers on the example catch document, attached below. The SIP will complete Page 1 ONLY. The SIP cannot complete the fields contained under Section 6, EU Importer Declaration; Section 7, Import Control Authority; or, Section 8, European Community Re-Export Certificate contained on page 2 of the catch document. The information contained in these sections is intended to be completed upon import into the EU and upon re-export from the EU after the document is issued by SIP. Page two will be issued as a separate document.
1. This certificate number will be generated by the online request system or the Inspection Office staff for PDF forms using SIP policy for numbering certificates.
 2. Enter the Regional Office Information
 3. Enter the USDC Local Office.
 4. Enter the USDC Local Office telephone number.
 5. Enter the USDC Local Office fax number.
 6. Enter the USDC Local Office address.
 7. Enter the requesting company name.
 8. Enter the requesting company address.
 9. The representative of the requesting company that has supplied the certificate information should provide an electronic signature and email address to be inserted into this block.
 10. The date of the representative electronic signature application should be entered in this block.
 11. The requesting company may provide an Official Seal or Company Logo electronically to be inserted into this block. This is an optional block to fill.
 12. Enter the commodity description. For each lot of product, enter a description of the product, with its brand if so labeled. Enter the type e.g., fresh, frozen, canned etc., and the style, e.g., skin-on, cooked, raw, whole, eviscerated, etc.
 13. Enter the scientific name of each product.
 14. Enter the total net weight of each item covered in this block. Separate product will require breakdown of weights.
 15. Enter the 4 digit product HS code for each product.
 16. Enter the FAO Catch Area for each product.
 17. Enter the catch date or a range of catch dates during which the product was caught for the product listed.
 18. The Inspectors digital signature is placed here.
 19. The date of Inspector signature is placed here.
 20. The NOAA Logo is placed in this location.
- C. Distribution: Completed EU IUU Catch Certificate
1. Forward an electronic copy of the IUU certificate to the requestor for completion.



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NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

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Validating Authority

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**UNITED STATES Attestation in Accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No. 1005/2008
for Products Caught by U.S.-Flagged Vessels**

1. VALIDATING AUTHORITY

Name 3		Address 6
Tel: 4	Fax: 5	

Exporter

Name 7		Seal 11
Address 8		
Signature 9	Date 10	

Commodity Description

3. COMMODITY DESCRIPTION

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Species (Scientific Name)	Net weight	U.S. Commodity Code	FAO Catch Area	Catch Date or Range
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Flag State Authority Validation

4. ATTESTATION

This attestation is admissible in all courts of the United States as *prima facie evidence* of the truth of the statements therein contained. This attestation does not excuse failure to comply with any Federal or state laws. **WARNING:** Any person who knowingly falsely makes, issues, alters, forges or counterfeits any official Seafood Inspection Program certificate or knowingly causes or procures, or aids, assists in, or is party to such false making, issuing, altering, forging or counterfeiting, is subject to a fine of not more than **\$1000** or imprisonment for not more than **1** year, or both (7 U.S.C. §1622).

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the items in the shipment listed herein were caught in compliance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 /et seq./) and other applicable state and Federal conservation and management laws and regulations as specified in the U.S.-EU Agreement dated November 6, 2009.

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Name and Signature of Official Inspector
NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service

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Date

OFFICIAL STAMP

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Document Number:
Date:

Transport Details

5. TRANSPORT DETAILS AS SPECIFIED IN (EC) 1005/2008 Annex I Appendix

5.1 Country of Exportation	5.2 Port/Airport/other place of departure (embarkation):	
5.3 Vessel Name and Flag: Flight number/airway bill number: Other transport document(s):	Container number(s): List attached if necessary)	Name
		Address
		Signature

EU Importer Declaration

6. EU IMPORTER Name		Seal
Address		
Signature	Date	Product CN Code
Documents under Articles 14 (1), (2) of Regulation 1005/2008	References	

Import Control Authority

7. MEMBER STATE IMPORT CONTROL AUTHORITY	Place	Verification requested – date	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Importation authorized <input type="checkbox"/> Importation suspended		
Customs declaration (if issued)	Number	Date	Place

European Community Re-Export Certificate

8. CERTIFICATE NUMBER	Date	Member State	
8.1 Description of re-exported product:		Weight (Kg)	
Species	Product Code	Balance from total quantity declared in the catch certificate:	
8.2 Name of re-exporter	Address	Signature	Date
8.3 Authority			
Name/Title	Signature	Date	Seal/Stamp
8.4 Re-export Control			
Place	<input type="checkbox"/> Re-export Authorized <input type="checkbox"/> Verification Requested		Re-export Declaration number and Date