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Guidelines for Operators Seeking Access to Australian Ports under Section 94 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*

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Introduction

These guidelines provide assistance to operators seeking access for *foreign fishing boats* to Australian ports under section 94 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1991* (the Act).

For the purposes of section 94 of the Act, and of these guidelines, a *foreign fishing boat* (FFB) is a foreign boat:

a. that is equipped for fishing, or

b. that the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) has reasonable grounds to believe is being used, or is intended to be used, in activities in support of fishing by foreign boats.

These guidelines are consistent with the requirements of the regional fisheries management organisations and arrangements to which Australia is a Party and the United Nations (UN) Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Agreement on Port State Measures to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing, signed by Australia on 27 April 2010.

Port access

Under section 94 of the Act, AFMA may grant a port permit if it appears to AFMA to be appropriate to do so for the purpose of monitoring the movements of a FFB. A port permit authorises a person, or a person acting on that person's behalf, to bring a specified FFB into one or more specified Australian ports, and from a port to a point outside the Australian Fishing Zone (AFZ).

A port permit is granted subject to the following conditions:

a. the permit may be revoked

b. no compensation is payable if a permit is revoked

c. such other such conditions as specified on the permit.

A port permit ceases to be in force if it is revoked by AFMA or the holder of the permit surrenders the permit by written notice to AFMA.

Under section 103 of the Act, the landing of fish and fish products is prohibited unless one of the circumstances specified in sub-section 103(1B) of the Act applies.

Scientific research vessels

Where the boat for which port access is sought proposes to conduct marine scientific research in Australia's waters, an application must also be made to the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) for Public Vessel Status (PVS). Further, if the proposed research will involve the taking of 'fish' (as defined in the Act), the taking of the fish must be authorised by a scientific permit granted by AFMA under section 33 of the Act. (Under the Act, any taking of fish in the AFZ that is not authorised by a fishing concession or scientific permit is an offence).

The application for a port permit, and, if relevant, for a scientific permit, should be made as part of the PVS application. For more information on the PVS application process please visit the DFAT website at [Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade](www.dfat.gov.au) (www.dfat.gov.au).

Consideration of port permit applications

Applicants may apply for access to one or more Australian ports. In assessing port permit applications AFMA takes into account a number of matters including the following:

a. the requirement for Australia to meet its obligations under international law and in particular, to give effect to international agreements and arrangements concerning fishing activities and the conservation and management of fish stocks and other living marine resources

b. the likelihood that the master and/or fishing company will abide by the terms and conditions of a port permit

c. whether the application form has been properly completed and provides all of the information required.

Applicants should note that applications for port permits are considered on a case-by-case basis and that AFMA may decline to grant a port permit, vary the conditions on a permit or revoke a permit in certain circumstances. The grounds for declining an application will be conveyed to the applicant. There is no right of review under the Act of a decision to refuse to grant a port permit.

Applicants should note that if a port permit is granted conditions will apply. AFMA has discretion to make a port permit subject to any conditions that it considers appropriate. A port permit may be subject to conditions such as requiring the boat's equipment used for searching for or taking fish to be stowed and secured, having an operational VMS and requiring the boat to transit to and from port by the most direct route towards its proposed destination. The person granted the permit should refer to the conditions attached to the permit for full details.

Applicants should also note that FFBs and crew are subject to Australian law whilst within Australian jurisdiction.

Applying for a port permit

The *Instructions for Completing the Application for a Port Permit* can be found at **Attachment 1**. All applications must be made in writing using the approved *Application for Port Permit* Form (PP Form) provided at **Attachment 2**. The PP Form can also be accessed on the AFMA website at [Australia Fisheries Management Authority](www.afma.gov.au) (www.afma.gov.au).

The correct international coding systems for vessel types, countries, gear types and species are to be used when completing an application for a port permit. Vessel, country and gear codes are provided at Annexes A through C to **Attachment 1**.

Species codes (specifically Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System (ASFIS) List of Species for Fishery Statistics Purposes 3-alpha species codes (FAO ASFIS 3-alpha species codes)) are not provided in this document but can be accessed on the AFMA website at [Australian Fisheries Management Authority](www.afma.gov.au) (www.afma.gov.au) or on the FAO website at [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations](www.fao.org) (www.fao.org).

All applications for port permits must contain the following information:

a. **Vessel Master's details** - name, nationality, passport number and contact details

b. **Fishing Master's details** - name, nationality and passport number

c. **Boat details** - name, type, boat dimensions and description, International Maritime Organization (IMO) number, international radio call sign, current flag State, Certificate of Registry identification number, previous boat name(s) and flag State(s), home port, vessel monitoring system (VMS) details and number and details of crew

d. **Port details** - proposed port(s) of entry including date(s) and time(s) of entry and departure, reason(s) for port entry, last and next ports of call

e. **Fishing authorisations held** – authorisation(s) type(s) and identification number(s), issuing authority(ies), date(s) of expiry, area and scope of authorisation(s), species and quota authorised and fishing gear authorised

f. **Species information** - total fish species and products on board and the form of the product (e.g. whether skinless, boneless fillets frozen, head off etc.), catch location, processed and equivalent live weight, and quantity of catch to be offloaded

g. **Transhipment information** - transhipment authorisation(s) type(s) and identification number(s), issuing authority(ies), date(s) of expiry and donor boat details

h. **Vessel owner's details** - name and contact details

i. **Beneficial owner's details** - name and contact details

j. **Vessel operator's details** - name and contact details

k. **Agent's details** - name and contact details

l. **Applicant's details** - name and contact details.

To be attached:

m. Photograph of the boat

n. *Data Network Identifier Download (DNID) Agreement* Form (DNID Form)

o. *Inmarsat Distress Alert (IDA) Contact Details* Form (IDA Form)

p. Crew list - names, nationalities, passport numbers and dates of birth.

AFMA may request further information be provided by the applicant where necessary. Under AFMA's Client Service Charter, AFMA will process applications within seven days subject to all necessary information being provided. Applicants will be informed within seven days should the process take longer.

Consistent with AFMA's objectives, functions, powers and Information Disclosure Policy (available on the AFMA website), the information provided in the PP Form may be disclosed to, among others:

a. Australian, State and Territory governments and agencies involved in the enforcement of law

b. Australian and international fisheries research and management organisations including the FAO and regional fisheries management organisations (RFMOs)

c. foreign governments, in support of domestic and international obligations in relation to management, research and compliance.

Fees

A fee is payable for port permit applications under regulation 21 of the *Fisheries Management Regulations 1992* (the Regulations)*,* unless sub-regulation 21(4) applies. The amount of the fee is specified in item 9 of Schedule 2 of the Regulations. AUD$860.00 is payable upon application to cover AFMA's administrative costs associated with processing the application.

Payment can be made by cheque or bank transfer of money to AFMA's designated bank account.

> AFMA Official Administered Receipts Bank Account
> National Australia Bank
> BSB Number: 082-902
> Account Number: 814 602 844

Cheques are to be made payable to the Australian Fisheries Management Authority and sent to the below address.

> Port Permits
> Australian Fisheries Management Authority
> Box 7051
> Canberra Business Centre
> Canberra ACT 2610
> AUSTRALIA

Under regulation 21(4), no fee is payable if the boat is engaged in fisheries research activities in collaboration with:

a. the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory, or

b. an authority of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

Vessel monitoring systems (VMS)

AFMA requires a person granted a port permit to carry and operate an AFMA type-approved VMS on the boat at all times whilst it is under Australian jurisdiction, though may in its discretion approve an alternative arrangement for monitoring the location of the boat while in Australian waters, such as manual reporting. This would be specified in the permit conditions.

The Register of AFMA approved Automatic Location Communicators (VMS units) can be found at **Attachment 3**. The register can also be accessed on the AFMA website at Australia Fisheries Management Authority (www.afma.gov.au).

Prior to a port permit being issued, the applicant will need to provide to AFMA a completed and signed DNID Form found at **Attachment 4**, and an IDA Form at **Attachment 5**. The DNID and IDA forms can also be accessed on the AFMA website at Australia Fisheries Management Authority (www.afma.gov.au).

Port access in circumstances of emergency

Australia attaches the highest importance to the safety of life at sea. A FFB entering an Australian port for reasons of *force majeure* or distress is not required to apply for a port permit. However, the FFB must notify AFMA as soon as possible by contacting the AFMA duty officer (24 hours) by phone on +61 419 205 329, by fax to +61 2 6275 6275 or by email to foreignsurveillanceresponse@afma.gov.au.

However, a completed PP Form must be submitted where a boat, which is in port for reasons of *force majeure* or distress, wishes to refuel, take on supplies or conduct other such activities that are unrelated to the situation of *force majeure* or distress.

Contact details

Please direct enquiries relating to these guidelines to:

Port Permits
Australian Fisheries Management Authority
Box 7051
Canberra Business Centre
Canberra ACT 2610
AUSTRALIA

Phone: +61 1300 723 621 (AFMA Direct) or
            +61 2 6225 5555 or
            in cases of emergency +61 419 205 329 (AFMA duty officer)

Fax: +61 2 6225 5440 (AFMA Licensing and Data Services) or
            in cases of emergency +61 2 6275 6275 (AFMA duty officer)

Email: portpermit@afma.gov.au or
            in cases of emergency foreignsurveillanceresponse@afma.gov.au
            (AFMA duty officer)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FOR A PORT PERMIT

These instructions are intended to assist applicants in completing the *Application for Port Permit* Form (PP Form) provided at **Attachment 2**.

Please note:

- information format is based on accepted international standards and acronyms

- wherever possible the metric system should be used (metre, kilogram, metric tonne). When it is not possible the measurement units should be clearly identified

- free text applies unless stated in these guidelines

- all dates should be recorded in the format DD / MM / YY

- the form must be completed in black or blue ink

- if more space is required for any answer, please attach a separate sheet

- if a field does not apply, write 'not applicable'.

PART A – Vessel Master's details

1. Name of the vessel Master

Provide the name of the vessel Master / Skipper / Captain of the boat or in *absentia* the person onboard who has legal responsibility for the operations of the boat.

2. Nationality

Provide the nationality and passport identification number shown on the photo page of the passport (for example N0095500, ABA9875413).

3. Contact details

Include the vessel Master's postal address, phone, mobile phone/satellite phone and fax numbers (include international prefixes for all contact numbers) and email address. Please also include an alternative contact number for the boat if it is different from the Master's contact number.

PART B – Fishing Master's details

4. Name of the fishing Master

Provide the name of the fishing Master being the person onboard who has legal responsibility for the fishing activities of the boat.

5. Nationality

Provide the nationality and passport identification number shown on the photo page of the passport (for example N0095500, ABA9875413).

PART C – Boat details

6. Name of boat

Provide the name of the boat as registered in the relevant documents of the flag State.

7. Boat type

Provide the boat type. Use International Standard Statistical Classification of Fishery Vessels by Vessel Types (ISSCFV) codes provided in **Annex A** (for example 07.2.0 for a longliner).

8. Boat dimensions

Provide the dimensions of the boat, specifically the length, beam and draft in metres.

9. Description of boat

Include details of any external identification (issued by the flag State) and distinguishing markings/symbols, colour scheme, gross register tonnage (GRT), regional fisheries management organisation (RFMO) identification number (if applicable) and any other descriptors considered relevant.

A photograph of the boat is also to be provided as an attachment to the form clearly showing any external identification and distinguishing markings/symbols.

10. International Maritime Organization (IMO) ID number

Provide the International Maritime Organization (IMO) identification number for the boat. This number is typically made of the three letters 'IMO' followed by a seven-digit number.

11. International radio call sign

Provide the international radio call sign of the boat (for example TTFC, MD66G, UDSF, CHDS).

12. Current flag State

Provide the country to which the boat is currently registered and flagged. Use International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 3166-1 alpha-3 codes provided in **Annex B** (for example NZL for New Zealand).

13. Certificate of Registry ID number

Provide the numeric or alpha-numeric identification of the boat's registry as issued by the flag State (for example 1234567).

14. Previous boat name(s)

If applicable, provide any previous name(s) of the boat.

15. Previous flag State(s)

If applicable, provide the country(ies) to which the boat has previously been registered and flagged. Use ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 codes provided in **Annex B** (for example NZL for New Zealand).

16. Boat home port

Provide the boat's home port.

17. Vessel Monitoring System (VMS)

Indicate whether the boat possesses a vessel monitoring system (VMS) and if so whether it is a national system, RFMO system or both.

18. Type of VMS unit

Include the type of VMS unit fitted to the boat and the serial number found on the outside of the VMS unit.

19. Number of crew members onboard

In addition to providing the number of crew members onboard, attach a crew list giving the name, nationality, passport number and date of birth of each crew member.

PART D – Port details

20. Give details of the ports to which access is requested

Provide the name of the Australian port(s) where the boat is requesting entry and the estimated date and time of arrival and departure. Also provide the reason(s) as to why the boat is seeking to enter each Australian port.

21. Last port of call

Provide the name of the last port visited by the boat and the date of departure from this port.

22. Next port of call

Provide the name and estimated date of entry into the next port to be visited by the boat.

PART E – Fishing authorisations held

23. Details of fishing authorisations held

Detail all fishing authorisation(s) held and the numeric or alpha-numeric identification of each fishing licence / permit / authorisation.

In addition, provide the name of the relevant authority / agency / government department from the flag State, coastal State or RFMO which issued each fishing licence / permit / authorisation.

Also provide the date by which each fishing licence / permit / authorisation will expire.

24. Area and scope of authorisations

For each fishing authorisation, provide the relevant geographical / statistical area where the boat is authorised to operate (for example FAO 77, NAFO 3M, ICES IIb).

25. Species and quota authorised

For each fishing authorisation, provide details of the species and quota authorised. Use United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System (ASFIS) List of Species for Fishery Statistics Purposes 3-alpha species codes (FAO ASFIS 3-alpha species codes).

Given the size of this list, it is not provided in this document but can be accessed on the AFMA website at Australia Fisheries Management Authority (www.afma.gov.au).or on the FAO website at Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (www.fao.org).

26. Fishing gear authorised

For each fishing authorisation, provide details of the fishing gear authorised. Use International Standard Statistical Classification of Fishing Gear (ISSCFG) codes provided in **Annex C**, for the gear authorised / licensed to be used by the boat (for example 03.1.2 for bottom otter trawl).

PART F – Species information

27. Total fish species and products onboard

Provide details of the total fish species and products onboard the boat. Use FAO ASFIS 3-alpha species codes for all species caught and kept onboard. These codes can be accessed on the AFMA website at Australia Fisheries Management Authority (www.afma.gov.au) or on the FAO website at Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (www.fao.org).

Also include the condition of the catch kept on board, whether processed or not processed (for example skinless, boneless fillets frozen / head off, split salted / whole refrigerated in sea water).

28. Catch location

Provide the relevant geographical / statistical area where catches were taken (for example FAO 77, NAFO 3M, ICES IIb).

29. Processed weight and equivalent live weight

Provide the quantity of catch kept onboard the boat in metric tonnes (MT) or kilograms (Kg). If other units are used, the unit name should be clearly marked.

30. Type and quantity of catch to be offloaded

Provide the type (fish species) and quantity of catch to be offloaded by the boat with the approval of the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

PART G – Transhipment information (if applicable)

31. Details of relevant transhipment authorisations

Detail all transhipment authorisation(s) held and the numeric or alpha-numeric identification of each transhipment licence / permit / authorisation.

In addition, provide the name of the relevant authority / agency / government department from the flag State, coastal State or RFMO which issued each transhipment licence / permit / authorisation.

Also provide the date by which each transhipment licence / permit / authorisation will expire.

32. Transhipment concerning donor boat

This field should be completed only when the boat requesting entry into port has onloaded catches from donor boat(s) during transhipment operations at any time during the current fishing trip.

Provide the date when the catch was transhipped from the donor boat.

Provide the relevant geographical / statistical area where the catch was transhipped from the donor boat (for example US GOA 630, CCAMLR 48.6).

Provide the name of the donor boat as registered in the relevant documents of the flag State.

Provide the country to which the donor boat is currently registered and flagged. Use ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 codes provided in **Annex B** (for example NZL for New Zealand).

Provide the numeric or alpha-numeric identification of the boat's registry as issued by the flag State (for example 1234567).

Provide the details of all fish species and products offloaded by the donor boat. Use FAO ASFIS 3-alpha species codes for all species offloaded by the donor boat. These codes can be accessed on the AFMA website at Australian Fisheries Management Authority (www.afma.gov.au) or on the FAO website at Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (www.fao.org).

Also provide the condition of the catch as offloaded from the donor boat either processed or not (for example skinless, boneless fillets frozen / head off, split salted / whole refrigerated in sea water).

Provide the relevant geographical / statistical area where the catch was taken by the donor boat (for example US GOA 630, CCAMLR 48.6).

Provide the quantity of offloaded catch from the donor boat in metric tonnes (MT) or kilograms (Kg). If other units are used, the unit name should be clearly marked.

Part H – Vessel owner's details

33. Name of the vessel owner

Provide the name of the owner of the boat seeking entry into an Australian port(s).

34. Postal address

Provide the vessel owner's postal address.

Part I – Beneficial owner's details

35. Name of the beneficial owner

If applicable, provide the name of the beneficial owner of the boat seeking entry into an Australian port(s). In general terms, a beneficial owner is a person or persons who enjoy the benefits of ownership, whether directly or through one or more intervening entities, even though title of the boat is in another name.

36. Postal address

Provide the beneficial owner's postal address.

Part J – Vessel operator's details

37. Name of the vessel operator

Provide the name of the operator of the boat seeking entry into an Australian port(s).

38. Postal address

Provide the vessel operator's postal address.

PART K – Agent's details (if applicable)

39. Name of Agent

Provide the name of the Agent acting on behalf of the operators specified in Part J.

40. Contact details

Provide the Agent's postal address, business phone, mobile and fax numbers (include international prefixes for all contact numbers) and email address.

PART L – Applicant's details

41. Name of Applicant

Provide the name of the Applicant.

42. Contact details

Provide the Applicant's postal address, business phone, mobile and fax numbers (include international prefixes for all contact numbers) and email address.

PART M – Declaration by Agent/Applicant

The form must be signed by the Agent or Applicant and witnessed. The form may be signed by any person acting on behalf of the operators of the boat seeking entry into an Australian port(s), and by signing the form they represent having authority of the operators of the specified boat.

Attachments

The following attachments need to be provided with the PP Form:

1. Photograph of the boat clearly showing any external identification and distinguishing markings/symbols.

2. *Data Network Identifier Download (DNID) Agreement* Form (DNID Form) provided at **Attachment 4**.

3. *Inmarsat Distress Alert (IDA) Contact Details* Form (IDA Form) provided at **Attachment 5**.

4. Crew list giving the name, nationality, passport number and date of birth of each crew member.

International Standard Statistical Classification of Fishery Vessels by Vessel Types (ISSCFV) Codes

Note: nei = not elsewhere indicated

FISHING VESSELS

Code	Vessel Type	Vessel Description	Standard Abbreviation	ISSCFV Code
01.0.0	TRAWLERS		TO	
		Side trawlers	TS	01.1.0
		Side trawlers wet-fish	TSW	01.1.1
		Side trawlers freezer	TSF	01.1.2
		Stern trawlers	TT	01.2.0
		Stern trawlers wet-fish	TTW	01.2.1
		Stern trawlers freezer	TTF	01.2.2
		Stern trawlers factory	TTP	01.2.3
		Outrigger trawlers	TU	01.3.0
		Trawler nei	TOX	01.9.0
02.0.0	SEINERS		SO	
		Purse seiners	SP	02.1.0
		North American type	SPA	02.1.1
		European type	SPE	02.1.2
		Tuna purse seiners	SPT	02.1.3
		Seiner netters	SN	02.2.0
		Seiner nei	SOX	02.9.0
03.0.0	DREDGERS		DO	
		using boat dredge	DB	03.1.0
		using mechanical dredge	DM	03.2.0
		Dredgers nei	DOX	03.9.0
04.0.0	LIFT NETTERS		NO	
		using boat operated net	NB	04.1.0
		Lift netters nei	BOX	04.9.0
05.0.0	GILLNETTERS		GO	
06.0.0	TRAP SETTERS		WO	
		Pot vessels	WOP	06.1.0
		Trap setters nei	WOX	06.9.0
07.0.0	LINERS		LO	
		Handliners	LH	07.1.0
		Longliners	LL	07.2.0
		Tuna longliners	LLT	07.2.1
		Pole and line vessels	LP	07.3.0
		Japanese type	LPJ	07.3.1
		American type	LPA	07.3.2
		Trollers	LT	07.4.0
		Liners nei	LOX	07.9.0
08.0.0	VESSELS USING PUMPS FOR FISHING		PO	
09.0.0	MULTIPURPOSE VESSELS		MO	
		Seiner-handliners	MSN	09.1.0

Code	Vessel Type	Vessel Description	Standard Abbreviation	ISSCFV Code
		Trawler-purse seiners	MTS	09.2.0
		Trawler-drifters	MTG	09.3.0
		Multipurpose vessels nei	MOX	09.9.0
10.0.0	RECREATIONAL FISHING VESSELS		RO	
49.0.0	FISHING VESSELS NOT SPECIFIED		FX	

NON-FISHING VESSELS

Code	Vessel Type	Vessel Description	Standard Abbreviation	ISSCFV Code
11.0.0	MOTHERSHIPS		HO	
		Salted-fish motherships	HSS	11.1.0
		Factory motherships	HSF	11.2.0
		Tuna motherships	HST	11.3.0
		Motherships for two-boat purse seining	HSP	11.4.0
		Motherships nei	HOX	11.9.0
12.0.0	FISH CARRIERS		FO	
13.0.0	HOSPITAL SHIPS		KO	
14.0.0	PROTECTION AND SURVEY VESSELS		BO	
15.0.0	FISHERY RESEARCH VESSELS		ZO	
16.0.0	FISHERY TRAINING VESSELS		CO	
99.0.0	NON-FISHING VESSELS nei		VOX	

Source: Annex II to Section L of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) *CWP Handbook of fishery statistical standards*, which can be accessed on the FAO website at Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (www.fao.org).

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 3166-1 Alpha-3 Codes

Country or area name	ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 code	Country or area name	ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 code
Afghanistan	AFG	Republic	
Åland Islands	ALA	Chad	TCD
Albania	ALB	Channel Islands	
Algeria	DZA	Chile	CHL
American Samoa	ASM	China	CHN
Andorra	AND	China, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	HKG
Angola	AGO		
Anguilla	AIA		
Antigua and Barbuda	ATG	China, Macao Special Administrative Region	MAC
Argentina	ARG		
Armenia	ARM	Colombia	COL
Aruba	ABW	Comoros	COM
Australia	AUS	Congo	COG
Austria	AUT	Cook Islands	COK
Azerbaijan	AZE	Costa Rica	CRI
Bahamas	BHS	Côte d'Ivoire	CIV
Bahrain	BHR	Croatia	HRV
Bangladesh	BGD	Cuba	CUB
Barbados	BRB	Curaçao	CUW
Belarus	BLR	Cyprus	CYP
Belgium	BEL	Czech Republic	CZE
Belize	BLZ	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	PRK
Benin	BEN		
Bermuda	BMU	Democratic Republic of the Congo	COD
Bhutan	BTN		
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	BOL	Denmark	DNK
		Djibouti	DJI
Bonaire, Saint Eustatius and Saba	BES	Dominica	DMA
		Dominican Republic	DOM
Bosnia and Herzegovina	BIH	Ecuador	ECU
		Egypt	EGY
Botswana	BWA	El Salvador	SLV
Brazil	BRA	Equatorial Guinea	GNQ
British Virgin Islands	VGB	Eritrea	ERI
Brunei Darussalam	BRN	Estonia	EST
Bulgaria	BGR	Ethiopia	ETH
Burkina Faso	BFA	Faeroe Islands	FRO
Burundi	BDI	Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	FLK
Cambodia	KHM		
Cameroon	CMR	Fiji	FJI
Canada	CAN	Finland	FIN
Cape Verde	CPV	France	FRA
Cayman Islands	CYM	French Guiana	GUF
Central African	CAF	French Polynesia	PYF

Country or area name	ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 code	Country or area name	ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 code
Gabon	GAB	Luxembourg	LUX
Gambia	GMB	Madagascar	MDG
Georgia	GEO	Malawi	MWI
Germany	DEU	Malaysia	MYS
Ghana	GHA	Maldives	MDV
Gibraltar	GIB	Mali	MLI
Greece	GRC	Malta	MLT
Greenland	GRL	Marshall Islands	MHL
Grenada	GRD	Martinique	MTQ
Guadeloupe	GLP	Mauritania	MRT
Guam	GUM	Mauritius	MUS
Guatemala	GTM	Mayotte	MYT
Guernsey	GGY	Mexico	MEX
Guinea	GIN	Micronesia (Federated States of)	FSM
Guinea-Bissau	GNB	Monaco	MCO
Guyana	GUY	Mongolia	MNG
Haiti	HTI	Montenegro	MNE
Holy See	VAT	Montserrat	MSR
Honduras	HND	Morocco	MAR
Hungary	HUN	Mozambique	MOZ
Iceland	ISL	Myanmar	MMR
India	IND	Namibia	NAM
Indonesia	IDN	Nauru	NRU
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	IRN	Nepal	NPL
Iraq	IRQ	Netherlands	NLD
Ireland	IRL	New Caledonia	NCL
Isle of Man	IMN	New Zealand	NZL
Israel	ISR	Nicaragua	NIC
Italy	ITA	Niger	NER
Jamaica	JAM	Nigeria	NGA
Japan	JPN	Niue	NIU
Jersey	JEY	Norfolk Island	NFK
Jordan	JOR	Northern Mariana Islands	MNP
Kazakhstan	KAZ	Norway	NOR
Kenya	KEN	Occupied Palestinian Territory	PSE
Kiribati	KIR	Oman	OMN
Kuwait	KWT	Pakistan	PAK
Kyrgyzstan	KGZ	Palau	PLW
Lao People's Democratic Republic	LAO	Panama	PAN
Latvia	LVA	Papua New Guinea	PNG
Lebanon	LBN	Paraguay	PRY
Lesotho	LSO	Peru	PER
Liberia	LBR	Philippines	PHL
Libya	LBY	Pitcairn	PCN
Liechtenstein	LIE	Poland	POL
Lithuania	LTU		

Country or area name	ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 code	Country or area name	ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 code
Portugal	PRT	Sweden	SWE
Puerto Rico	PRI	Switzerland	CHE
Qatar	QAT	Syrian Arab Republic	SYR
Republic of Korea	KOR	Tajikistan	TJK
Republic of Moldova	MDA	Thailand	THA
Réunion	REU	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	MKD
Romania	ROU	Timor-Leste	TLS
Russian Federation	RUS	Togo	TGO
Rwanda	RWA	Tokelau	TKL
Saint-Barthélemy	BLM	Tonga	TON
Saint Helena	SHN	Trinidad and Tobago	TTO
Saint Kitts and Nevis	KNA	Tunisia	TUN
Saint Lucia	LCA	Turkey	TUR
Saint-Martin (French part)	MAF	Turkmenistan	TKM
Saint Pierre and Miquelon	SPM	Turks and Caicos Islands	TCA
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	VCT	Tuvalu	TUV
Samoa	WSM	Uganda	UGA
San Marino	SMR	Ukraine	UKR
Sao Tome and Principe	STP	United Arab Emirates	ARE
Sark		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	GBR
Saudi Arabia	SAU	United Republic of Tanzania	TZA
Senegal	SEN	United States of America	USA
Serbia	SRB	United States Virgin Islands	VIR
Seychelles	SYC	Uruguay	URY
Sierra Leone	SLE	Uzbekistan	UZB
Singapore	SGP	Vanuatu	VUT
Sint Maarten (Dutch part)	SXM	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	VEN
Slovakia	SVK	Viet Nam	VNM
Slovenia	SVN	Wallis and Futuna Islands	WLF
Solomon Islands	SLB	Western Sahara	ESH
Somalia	SOM	Yemen	YEM
South Africa	ZAF	Zambia	ZMB
South Sudan	SSD	Zimbabwe	ZWE
Spain	ESP		
Sri Lanka	LKA		
Sudan	SDN		
Suriname	SUR		
Svalbard and Jan Mayen Islands	SJM		
Swaziland	SWZ		

Source: United Nations Statistics Division *Countries or areas, codes and abbreviations* (based on ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 codes), which can be accessed on the United Nations website at United Nations Statistics Division (http://unstats.un.org).

International Standard Statistical Classification of Fishing Gear (ISSCFG) Codes

Gear Categories	Abbreviations	ISSCFG Code
SURROUNDING NETS		**01.0.0**
With purse lines (purse seines)	PS	01.1.0
- one boat operated purse seines	PS1	01.1.1
- two boats operated purse seines	PS2	01.1.2
Without purse lines (lampara)	LA	01.2.0
SEINE NETS		**02.0.0**
Beach seines	SB	02.1.0
Boat or vessel seines	SV	02.2.0
- Danish seines	SDN	02.2.1
- Scottish seines	SSC	02.2.2
- pair seines	SPR	02.2.3
Seine nets (not specified)	SX	02.9.0
TRAWLS		**03.0.0**
Bottom trawls		03.1.0
- beam trawls	TBB	03.1.1
- otter trawls[1]	OTB	03.1.2
- pair trawls	PTB	03.1.3
- nephrops trawls	TBN	03.1.4
- shrimp trawls	TBS	03.1.5
- bottom trawls (not specified)	TB	03.1.9
Midwater trawls		03.2.0
- otter trawls[1]	OTM	03.2.1
- pair trawls	PTM	03.2.2
- shrimp trawls	TMS	03.2.3
- midwater trawls (not specified)	TM	03.2.9
Otter twin trawls	OTT	03.3.0
Otter trawls (not specified)	OT	03.4.9
Pair trawls (not specified)	PT	03.5.9
Other trawls (not specified)	TX	03.9.0
DREDGES		**04.0.0**
Boat dredges	DRB	04.1.0
Hand dredges	DRH	04.2.0
LIFT NETS		**05.0.0**
Portable lift nets	LNP	05.1.0
Boat-operated lift nets	LNB	05.2.0
Shore-operated stationary lift nets	LNS	05.3.0
Lift nets (not specified)	LN	05.9.0
FALLING GEAR		**06.0.0**
Cast nets	FCN	06.1.0
Falling gear (not specified)	FG	06.9.0
GILLNETS AND ENTANGLING NETS		**07.0.0**
Set gillnets (anchored)	GNS	07.1.0
Driftnets	GND	07.2.0
Encircling gillnets	GNC	07.3.0
Fixed gillnets (on stakes)	GNF	07.4.0
Trammel nets	GTR	07.5.0
Combined gillnets-trammel nets	GTN	07.6.0

Gear Categories	Abbreviations	ISSCFG Code
Gillnets and entangling nets (not specified)	GEN	07.9.0
Gillnets (not specified)	GN	07.9.1
TRAPS		**08.0.0**
Stationary uncovered pound nets	FPN	08.1.0
Pots	FPO	08.2.0
Fyke nets	FYK	08.30
Stow nets	FSN	08.4.0
Barriers, fences, weirs, etc.	FWR	08.5.0
Aerial traps	FAR	08.6.0
Traps (not specified)	FIX	08.9.0
HOOKS AND LINES		**09.0.0**
Handlines and pole-lines (hand-operated)[2]	LHP	09.1.0
Handlines and pole-lines (mechanized)[2]	LHM	09.2.0
Set longlines	LLS	09.3.0
Drifting longlines	LLD	09.4.0
Longlines (not specified)	LL	09.5.0
Trolling lines	LTL	09.6.0
Hooks and lines (not specified)[3]	LX	09.9.0
GRAPPLING AND WOUNDING		**10.0.0**
Harpoons	HAR	10.1.0
HARVESTING MACHINES		**11.0.0**
Pumps	HMP	11.1.0
Mechanized dredges	HMD	11.2.0
Harvesting machines (not specified)	HMX	11.9.0
MISCELLANEOUS GEAR[4]	**MIS**	**20.0.0**
RECREATIONAL FISHING GEAR	**RG**	**25.0.0**
GEAR NOT KNOW OR NOT SPECIFIED	**NK**	**99.0.0**

[1] Fisheries agencies may indicate side and stern bottom, and side and stern midwater trawls, as OTB-1 and OTB-2, and OTM-1 and OTM-2, respectively

[2] Including jigging lines

[3] Code LDV for dory-operated line gears will be maintained for historical data purposes

[4] This item includes: hand and landing nets, drive-in-nets, gathering by hand with simple hand implements with or without diving equipment, poisons and explosives, trained animals, electrical fishing

Source: Annex I to Section M of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) *CWP Handbook of fishery statistical standards*, which can be accessed on the FAO website at Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (www.fao.org).

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Note: Please complete the form in black or blue ink. If you need more space for any of your answers, please attach a separate sheet. If an item does not apply, write 'not applicable'.

Guidelines for Operators Seeking Access to Australian Ports under Section 94 of the Fisheries Management Act 1991 are available to assist in the completion of this form. The Guidelines can be accessed on AFMA's website at www.afma.gov.au or by contacting AFMA.

PART A – Vessel Master's details

1. Name of the vessel Master

2. Nationality

   Passport number

3. Contact details
   Postal address

   Postcode

   Phone number

   Mobile/Satphone number

   Fax number

   Email address

PART B – Fishing Master's details

4. Name of the fishing Master

5. Nationality

   Passport number

PART C – Boat details

6. Name of boat

7. Boat type (use ISSCFV codes provided in the Guidelines)

8. Boat dimensions (in metres)

   Length:

   Beam:

   Draft:

9. Description of boat (including details of any external identification or markings, colour scheme, gross register tonnage and regional fisheries management organisation (RFMO) ID number, if applicable)

   Please attach a photograph of the boat.

10. International Maritime Organization (IMO) ID number

11. International radio call sign

12. Current flag State(s) (use ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 codes provided in the Guidelines)

13. Certificate of Registry ID number

14. Previous boat name(s)

15. Previous flag State(s) (use ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 codes provided in the Guidelines)

16. Boat home port

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17. Vessel Monitoring System (VMS)

Note: It is a condition of a Port Permit that the boat must carry and operate an AFMA type-approved VMS on the boat at all times whilst in Australian jurisdiction, unless AFMA has approved other arrangements for monitoring the position of the boat.

Does the boat have a VMS?

No ☐

Yes ☐

If Yes, is it National ☐ or RFMO ☐ or both ☐

18. Type of VMS unit

VMS unit ID number

Please attach both the completed Data Network Identifier Download (DNID) Agreement Form and Inmarsat Distress Alert (IDA) Contact Details Form.

19. Number of crew members onboard

Please attach a crew list giving the name, nationality, passport number and date of birth of each crew member.

PART D – Port details

20. Give details of the ports to which access is requested

a) Port Name

Arrival
Estimated Date
Estimated Time

Departure
Estimated Date
Estimated Time

Reason(s) for port access

b) Port Name

Arrival
Estimated Date
Estimated Time

Departure
Estimated Date
Estimated Time

Reason(s) for port access

c) Port Name

Arrival
Estimated Date
Estimated Time

Departure
Estimated Date
Estimated Time

Reason(s) for port access

21. Last port of call

Date of departure

22. Next port of call

Estimated date of arrival

PART E – Fishing authorisations held

23. Details of fishing authorisations held

a) Authorisation type

Authorisation ID number

Issuing authority

Date of expiry

b) Authorisation type

Authorisation ID number

Issuing authority

Date of expiry

24. Area and scope of authorisations

25. Species and quota authorised (use FAO species codes provided in the Guidelines)

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26. Fishing gear authorised (use ISSCFG codes provided in the Guidelines)

PART F – Species information

27. Total fish species and products on board including the form of the product e.g. whether processed and if so, how (use FAO species codes provided in the Guidelines)

28. Catch location

29. Processed weight and equivalent live weight

30. Type and quantity of catch to be offloaded

PART G – Transhipment information

31. Details of relevant transhipment authorisations

a) Authorisation type

Authorisation ID number

Issuing authority

Date of expiry

b) Authorisation type

Authorisation ID number

Issuing authority

Date of expiry

32. Transhipment concerning donor boat(s)

Note: Where there have been transhipments concerning more than one donor boat, please provide details on a separate sheet and attach.

Date of transhipment

Location of transhipment

Name of donor boat

Flag State of donor boat (use ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 codes provided in the Guidelines)

Certificate of Registry ID number of donor boat

Species transhipped including the form of the product e.g. whether processed and if so, how (use FAO species codes provided in the Guidelines)

Catch location

Total quantity transhipped

PART H – Vessel owner's details

33. Name of the vessel owner

34. Postal address

Postcode

PART I – Beneficial owner's details

35. Name of the beneficial owner

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36. Postal address

Postcode

Phone number

Mobile number

Fax number

Email address

PART J – Vessel operator's details

37. Name of the vessel operator

38. Postal address

Postcode

PART K – Agent's details

39. Name of Agent

40. Contact details
Postal address

Postcode

Phone number

Mobile number

Fax number

Email address

PART L – Applicant's details

41. Name of Applicant

42. Contact details
Postal address

Postcode

PART M – Declaration by Agent/Applicant

IMPORTANT
Please read "Who can sign this form' on page 5 before completing this Declaration.
Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.
I, the Agent detailed in PART K or the Applicant detailed in PART L:
a) apply for the grant of a Port Permit in respect of the boat described in PART C, and
b) declare that the information provided on this form is, to the best of my/our knowledge, true and correct.

Signature

Date

Full Name

Position held (if applicable)

In the presence of (Full name of Witness)

Signature
of Witness

Checklist of attachments

The attachments to this application are:

Photograph of the boat clearly showing any external identification and distinguishing markings/symbols ☐

Data Network Identifier Download (DNID) Agreement Form ☐

Inmarsat Distress Alert (IDA) Contact Details Form ☐

Crew List ☐

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Guidance notes for completing this form

This form should be completed to apply for a Port Permit to allow a foreign fishing boat to enter a Commonwealth port.

There is a fee associated with the application for a Port Permit.

What you need to do

Post, fax or email this completed form along with the required attachment(s) to:

Australian Fisheries Management Authority
Box 7051
Canberra Business Centre ACT 2610
Fax: +61 2 6225 5440
Email: portpermit@afma.gov.au

Who can sign this form?

Any person acting on behalf of the operators of the foreign fishing boat specified in PART C, and by signing this form they represent having authority of the operators of the specified foreign fishing boat.

REGISTER OF AFMA APPROVED AUTOMATIC LOCATION COMMUNICATORS (VMS UNITS)

The ALC units currently approved for both installation and use in Commonwealth fisheries are:

1. Sailor (Thrane and Thrane) Capsat transceiver model TT-3026S Mini-C, firmware version 2.12 or 2.21. Note: this unit does not meet type approval until the DNID has been loaded and the correct setting applied by the installer.

2. Sailor (Thrane and Thrane) Capsat transceiver model TT-3026D Mini-C, using firmware version 2.21 or 2.26. Note: this unit does not meet type approval until the DNID has been loaded and the correct setting applied by the installer.

3. Sailor (Thrane and Thrane) Capsat transceiver model TT-3022D, using software version 3.28 non-SOLAS Fishery DistFn-1, or software versions 3.11 or 3.24.

4. Sailor (Thrane and Thrane) Capsat transceiver model TT-3022D, using software version 3.22 DOS and Easymail version 1.07 with firmware version 3.32.

5. Furuno Mini-C Mobile Earth Station Transceiver Model Felcom 16 with Encrypted GPS utilising firmware version DCE F16 V03+FFA. Antenna Mount with the Furuno Felcom 16 in accordance with either of the following two options:

    a. Pipe No: 20-007-3011-2, Code No. 100-183-262 'Mast Pipe'; or

    b. a pipe of this description suitable for marine use

Where fitment of an Inmarsat D+ automatic location communicator has been authorised by AFMA in writing, the following unit is approved:

1. Satamatics transceiver model SAT-201 including models A019B01, A029B01 – SAT-201C, A081B01 – SAT-201C-020, and A048B01 – SAT-201E-020-MF.

AFMA no longer approves TRIMBLE VMS units for installation, and accordingly these are units currently type approved for use only (not installation) (this means that installed Trimble VMS units can remain in use on vessels, however, Trimble units are not approved for future installation on any vessel) . The following list of Trimble units many only be used if currently installed:

Trimble Galaxy transceiver models:

1. TNL 7001, using software version 5.10a

2. TNL 8005 (Courier), using software version 5.10

3. TNL 7005 (non solas), using software version 5.10

4. TNL 8001 (Sentinel), using software version 5.10

All type approved VMS units must be fitted by an authorised installer.

If you have any questions in relation to VMS or the units approved please contact the AFMA VMS area via AFMA Direct 1300 723 621 or email vmsinfo@afma.gov.au.

Source: The above register was correct as at 14 March 2012. An up-to-date register can be accessed on the AFMA website at Australian Fisheries Management Authority (afma.gov.au).

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Data Network Identifier Download Agreement

DNID

This form should be completed to authorise the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) to electronically monitor a vessel's Automatic Location Communicator (ALC) unit and disseminate data from it in accordance with AFMA policy. There is no fee for this transaction.

What you need to do
Post or fax this completed form to:

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Phone: +61 2 6225 5555

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Who can sign this form?
Trading Name – All individual or corporate owners of a trading name must be specified as the applicants and all sign this form.

Companies – A company may sign in any manner (including under seal) authorised by s127 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Co-Holders – If the concession is in more than one name (partnership or otherwise), all holders must sign this form. If there are more than two holders please attach and date a separate sheet.

Powers of Attorney – If a party signs under a Power of Attorney the attorney must state 'Signed for (name of principal) by his/her/their/its attorney (name of attorney) pursuant to Power of Attorney Register number (number or date if not required to be registered in that State) who states that he/she has no notice of the revocation of the power'. A copy of the registered power should accompany this form.

Trusts – The beneficial interests in any trust will not be recognised

Privacy information
The Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) is authorised to collect the information provided on this form under the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*. Information is collected pursuant to our data collection functions under the *Fisheries Administration Act 1991* (section 7).

Consistent with AFMA's objectives and/or functions and/or powers, the information provided may be disclosed to:

- Australian, State and Territory governments and agencies involved in the enforcement of law;
- Australian and International fisheries research and management organisations;
- foreign governments in support of domestic and international obligations in relation to fisheries management, research and compliance; and
- Australian, State and Territory governments and agencies involved in emergency services.

For more information about privacy please contact AFMA on 1300 723 621.

PART A – Vessel details

Inmarsat mobile number (IMN)

Serial number

Mini-C Unit Inmarsat serial number (e.g. 4TT045FC050D)

PART B – Equipment type

Manufacturer

Model

Software version

PART C – Vessel details

Vessel name

Distinguishing symbols

Vessel IMO Number

PART D – Vessel contact details

Name

Address

Postcode

Phone number

(   )

Mobile phone/Satpone

Email

@

Fax number

(   )

PART E – Authorisation

As the owner of the Automatic Location Communicator (ALC) described above, I hereby authorise the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) to electronically monitor the unit and disseminate data from it in accordance with AFMA policy.

Signature and date

Full Name

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Inmarsat Distress Alert (IDA) Contact Details

IDA

This form should be completed to provide the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) with all the necessary Inmarsat contact details to forward to emergency agencies in the case an emergency arises.

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Trusts – The beneficial interests in any trust will not be recognised by AFMA (see s47 FM Act). A Trustee may only sign and date this form as the legal owner in their own right.

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PART A – Vessel details

Vessel Name

International radio call sign

Phone number ( )

Mobile phone/ Satphone

HF radio (frequency

Fax number ( )

PART B – Vessel owner's details

Name

Address

Postcode

Phone number ( )

Mobile phone/ Satphone

Fax number ( )

Email

@

PART C – Master's details

Name

Address

Postcode

Phone number ( )

Mobile phone/ Satphone

Fax number ( )

I authorise the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) to disclose Inmarsat contact details to emergency agencies in accordance with AFMA policy.

Signature and date ✍

Full Name