

## RECORD OF DAILY FLOW SCALE TEST

Vessel Name		
Time Test Started		
Date		

**Step 1. Weigh sandbags on Platform scale. Weigh no more than 50 kg of bags per load**

Weight of Sandbags on Platform Scale (A)	Number of Times Each Sandbag Goes Across the Scale to Reach 400 kg (B)
<input style="width: 100%; height: 100%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 100%; height: 100%;" type="text"/>

Multiply (A) x (B) for total weight of sandbags (C):

**Step 2. Record the scale indicator weight and send the sandbags across the scale**

**If you wish, simply enter the start and stop weights for the entire test in the first row**

run #	indicator	start	stop	weight
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				

Total weight of sandbags from flow scale (D):

Flow Scale Error :  (E)  
*Subtract flow scale weight from platform scale weight (D)-(C)*

Flow scale percent error:   
*Divide Error by platform scale weight & multiply by 100 (E/Cx100)*

If the percent error is between -3.0 % and +3.0% the scale passes. You may retest at any time

**Step 3.** Sea Conditions at time of test (Beaufort Scale--between 1 and 12):

**Step 4. Print form, sign it and have the observer sign it**

Signature of vessel operator or factory manager:

I observed this test  
  
 Signature of observer

## DAILY FLOW SCALE TEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- ✓ A daily scale test must be conducted once every 24 hours when the scale is being used to weigh catch at-sea.
- ✓ If the scale fails the daily test, it may be re-tested at any time. However, it may not be used to weigh fish until it passes the daily test.
- ✓ This form must be maintained on board the vessel until the end of the fishing year in which it was completed. It must be retained by the vessel owner for three years, and must be made available to NMFS personnel, observers or authorized officers
- ✓ Questions or comments concerning this form or the daily test can be directed to:

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Before completing this form please note the following: 1) NMFS cannot conduct or sponsor this information request, and you are not required to respond to this information request, unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number; 2) this information is being used to manage the At-Sea Scales Program; 3) Federal law and regulations require and authorize NMFS to manage commercial fishing effort; 4) Submission of this information is required for scales approved by NMFS to weigh catch at sea; 5) Responses to this information request are not confidential.

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