

## Alaska Marine Mammal Observer Program Gear Data Form

Below is a summary of the fishing gear information that will be collected by Saltwater Inc observers while observing your gillnet fishing operations. Please review this list in preparation for providing this information to observers when asked during observation. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Gear data form information:

- Tow (or lead) length, material, and twine size
- Cork line length, material, and # corks
  - distance between corks
  - cork color, length, and shape
- Drop line length, material, and distance between drop lines
- Weedline length & material
- Breastline length & material
- Hoop or hose used on breastline?
- # Bags/buoys
- True (or hang) ratio of mesh along weedline
- Leadline weight (per 100 fm)
- Panel information:
  - Total # unique panel types
    - length, depth, mesh size (min –max)
    - twine size & manufacturer (if known)
    - twine material and color
  - Total # panels on net
  - Panel sections shackled
- Acoustic pinger(s) used to deter marine mammals?
  - # pingers used, brand, and frequency
  - pinger location on the net (horizontal and vertical)
  - pinger currently operational?