

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WESTERN PACIFIC (Mariana Islands) DAILY BOTTOMFISH FISHING LOGBOOK

- VESSEL:** Enter name of vessel.
- PERMIT NUMBER:** Enter Federal Bottomfish fishing permit number.
- DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM PORT/PORT:** Enter date vessel left port. Enter port of departure.
- DATE OF RETURN TO PORT/PORT:** Enter date vessel returned to port. Enter port of return.
- OBSERVER ON BOARD:** Check (✓) if observer is on board for this trip.
- FISHING DATE:** Enter date (month/day/year) of fishing.
- NUM. OF LINES:** Enter number of fishing lines/line haulers.
- NUM. of HOOKS/LINE:** Enter typical number of hooks on each fishing line/rig.
- FISHING AREA/BANK:** Enter name of fishing area/bank.
- FISHING LOCATION:** Enter latitude and longitude of the fishing area/bank. Use degree ° and minute ‘; circle N for north or S for south latitude; circle W for west or E for east longitude, as appropriate.
- HOURS FISHED:** Enter the total number of hours spent bottomfishing on this day.
- BEGIN TIME:** Enter time (using 24 hour clock - Local Time) of start of fishing.
- END TIME:** Enter time (using 24 hour clock - Local Time) of end of fishing.
- ANCHOR/DRIFT:** Circle the major type of bottomfishing activity whether anchored or drifting.
- FISHING DEPTH RANGE (fathom):** Enter the depth of fishing in fathoms. If the depth varies while using a drift method of fishing then the range of depths fished should be entered.
- WIND SPEED(knots) /DIRECTION:** Enter the estimated wind speed in knots. Enter the estimated wind direction- E, NE, N, NW, W, SW, S, SE.
- WAVE HEIGHT (feet):** Enter the estimated wave height in feet.
- CURRENT SPEED(knots)/DIRECTION:** Enter the estimated current speed in knots. Enter the estimated current direction- E, NE, N, NW, W, SW, S, SE.
- BAIT TYPES:** Enter the type(s) of bait used.
- CHUM USED:** Circle ‘Yes’ if chum was used and ‘No’ if chum was not used.
- BOTTOMFISH SPECIES CATCH INFORMATION:** Enter total Pounds Kept, Number Kept, and Number Released (*dead/alive*) by species for all fish caught. For species not listed, write the species name in one of the “OTHER (specify)” boxes and fill in the required information.
- INFORMATION ON OTHER FISHING METHODS:** Additional information must be filled in when using a gear type other than bottomfish gear. Enter date of fishing, specify type of gear used, number of lines/gear, fishing area/bank, fishing location, hours fished, begin time, and end time. Catch should be listed in the “CATCH FROM OTHER METHODS USED” section of the logbook page. Catch information instructions are identical to those required for the bottomfish species (see above).
- PROTECTED SPECIES:** Enter the numbers of protected species released uninjured, injured, or dead.
- VESSEL CAPTAIN/ OPERATOR/DATE:** Print and sign name of the captain/operator. Enter date (month/day/year) when the log sheet was completed by the vessel captain/operator.

- **The Vessel Captain must record ALL catch and effort information in the logbook within 24 hours of completing the daily fishing activities.**
- **The Vessel Captain must submit all completed daily logsheets and the accompanying Trip Sales Report (vessels over 40 feet) to NMFS within 72 hours of returning to port.**

Please submit form to: NMFS, Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center
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