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Data Required to be collected by CCPs vs Data Required to be submitted by CCPs

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Abstract	

The MoP TASKED the Secretariat to prepare a paper describing the data required to be collected by CCPs, the data required to be reported to the Secretariat, and the differences between the two types of data.

Data collection and data submission requirements are defined in SIOFA CMMs. Fishery data and MCS data are the two main type of data CCPs must collect and provide. SEC-2021-05 consultancies highlighted that CMM 02 on Data Standards do not distinguish between data to be collected and data to be submitted and recommended that data collection requirements would be separated from CMM 02 to increase flexibility when the SC requires that a new data item is collected.

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Recommendations
- The MoP to note that the data to be collected and the data to be reported is usually the same.   - The MoP to advise if the data collection requirement and the data submission requirements set in CMM 02 should remain together in CMM 02, or if the data collection requirements shall be set outside CMM 02.

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1. Introduction and rationale

At its 11th meeting, the MoP tasked the Secretariat to prepare a paper describing the data required to be collected by CCPs, the data required to be reported to the Secretariat, and the differences between the two types of data (ref MoP11 report, paragraph 194).

This request stemmed from one recommendation of the data audits that advised that data submission requirements and data collection are distinguished (ref report of project SEC-2021-05 and MoP-11-16 Data and Security audits implementation update, recommendation D4). The objective is that the collection requirements (and protocols) are set outside CMM 02. This will avoid the MoP to consider and adopt the CMM 02 every time the SC needs to amend the data collection requirement.

The Secretariat took this opportunity to recap which data must be collected by CCPs and which needs to be submitted to the Secretariat.

2. Method

Data or notifications relevant to structured data listed within SIOFA CMMs have been summarized in the next section.

3. Result

CMM	Data type	CCP Collection requirement	Submission to Secretariat requirement	Notes
01 (Interim bottom Fishing Measures), para 12-14	Fishery operational	VME bycatch	VME encounter event (if bycatch above threshold)	Benthos bycatch data is submitted through the annual data submission (ref CMM 02)
02 (Data Standards) para 7	Fishery operational	Catch summary	Catch summary	Catch summary is derived from Catch and Effort data
02 (Data Standards) para 6	Fishery operational	Catch and effort data (listed in CMM 02, Annex A)	Catch and effort data	

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02 (Data Standards) para 12	Fishery operational	Observers' data (listed in CMM 02, Annex B)	Observers' data	
07 (Vessel Authorisation), para 2	MCS	Vessel details	Vessel details	Most details must be provided on the online SIOFA RAV
08 (Port Inspection) para 24	MCS	Port inspection report, when inspection conducted in a CCP port	Port inspection report, when inspection conducted in a CCP port	
09 (Control) para 7	MCS	Gear lost	Gear lost	For longline and traps, hooks lost, and traps lost are also reported in Catch and Effort data submission
09 (Control) para 7	MCS	Gear retrieval	Gear retrieval	
09 (Control) para 13	MCS	None CCP fishing vessel's sighting	None CCP fishing vessel's sighting	
10 (Monitoring) para 9	MCS	VMS report	*(no obligation)*	The SIOFA VMS would automatically collect VMS report.
10 (Monitoring) para 15	MCS	SIOFA Entry-Exit notifications	SIOFA Entry-Exit notifications	The SIOFA VMS could automatically provide Entry Exit notifications.
12 (Sharks) para 3	Fishing	Portuguese Dog Fish (CYO) monthly catch in subarea 2	Monthly reports of CYO in subarea 2	Requested annually by CMM 02
12 (Sharks), para 7	Fishing	All deep-sea sharks catch		Also requested by CMM 02
15 (Management of Demersal Stock) para 17	Fishing	Patagonian Toothfish (TOP) monthly catch in DCR	Patagonian Toothfish (TOP) monthly catch in DCR	Annual catch requested by CMM 02
15 (Management of Demersal Stock) para 33	Fishing	Patagonian Toothfish (TOP) daily catch in WR	Patagonian Toothfish (TOP) daily catch in WR	Annual catch Requested by CMM 02

3. Conclusion

Most data that need to be collected by CCPs is the same that must be submitted to the Secretariat.

Regarding Catch and Effort and Observer data, separating the data collection and the data submission requirements in CMM 02 would improve the flexibility and efficiency when the SC provides recommendations on data to be collected (and how the collection should be undertaken). If the data collection requirements were set outside the CMM, there would not be a need to amend

and the MoP to adopt the CMM changes every time the data collection needs change. Currently the data item to be collected are provided in the annexes of CMM 02.

A few data item are requested to be collected and submitted by 2 different CMMs but on a different periodicity.

Regarding MCS data, the requirements are well defined. The implementation of a SIOFA VMS would merge data collection and data submission requirements.