

**40th ANNUAL MEETING OF NAFO - SEPTEMBER 2018****Amendments to NAFO CEM Article 37.4 -
Distribution of Notification of Infringements****Background**

At the 2018 NAFO Intersessional meeting in Halifax, Canada was tasked with developing a proposal to amend Article 37.4 to allow the Executive Secretary to more broadly distribute notification of infringements to Contracting Parties.

The purpose of this amendment is to ensure that any port State Contracting Party receiving a vessel for landing that has been issued an infringement is notified and has an opportunity to receive the written notification related to an infringement in advance of the vessel's arrival in port.

Proposed Amendments

Amend Article 37 as follows:

Duties of the Executive Secretary

4. The Executive Secretary transmits without delay to the other Contracting Parties participating in the Scheme the written notification ~~related to an~~ of the infringement including a copy of the report of inspection consistent with Annex IV.B.
5. The Executive Secretary transmits without delay to all Contracting Parties electronic notification that an infringement has been issued to a particular vessel.
6. Upon a request from a Contracting Party receiving a vessel for landing to which an infringement has been issued, the Executive Secretary will transmit to that Contracting Party without delay a copy of the report of inspection consistent with Annex IV.B.

