

**44th ANNUAL MEETING OF NAFO - SEPTEMBER 2022****NAFO Media Policy:
Conditions for Attendance by Media Representatives at NAFO Meetings**

1. All media requests for participation at each NAFO meeting or for interviews with NAFO officers shall be directed to the Secretariat.
2. After verification of media credentials, the Executive Secretary will inform the Chairs of the relevant NAFO bodies, the host Contracting Party and the Contracting Party in which the media organization is based with as much advance notice as possible.
3. Media representatives shall register with the NAFO Secretariat on arrival at the meeting and provide a Press card or a letter of authorization or other documentation from the appropriate company.
4. The Executive Secretary can authorize attendance of media representatives at the public sessions of the NAFO Commission, and Scientific Council, i.e., official opening and closing of the meetings, and other sessions so designated by the bodies concerned.
5. No more than two representatives of a particular publication or company shall be allowed to attend the meeting. They are required to remain in a designated area within the meeting room. Depending on the meeting facility, the total number of media representatives attending the meeting may have to be restricted.
6. Media representatives shall not be permitted to make statements or ask questions during sessions.
7. The use of cameras and/or recording equipment can be permitted by the Executive Secretary during the public sessions of NAFO meetings provided that it is set up and operated in a non-disruptive way. One additional person per team may be allowed into the meeting room for the operation of technical equipment (e.g., cameras).
8. Media representatives must leave the meeting premises when they are not attending sessions of NAFO bodies.
9. Background and other information material pertaining to the meeting in question will be compiled specifically for media representatives by the Executive Secretary and either handed out to them during meetings or sent electronically upon request prior to the meeting.
10. a) The Executive Secretary will prepare a press release for circulation, in collaboration with the Chairs of the Commission, and Scientific Council, to be agreed upon at the close of the Annual Meeting.



- b) At the discretion of the NAFO President and the Executive Secretary, a press conference shall be held following the close of the Annual Meeting by the Chairs of the Commission, Scientific Council, and the Executive Secretary.
11. No media posts or content, including social media, shall be permitted by the media or meeting attendees, regarding the meeting proceedings (i.e., meeting discussions and decisions) during the closed sessions of the meeting.
 12. Media representatives shall comply with these and with any other conditions determined by the Commission or by the Executive Secretary.