

**29TH ANNUAL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 2007**

(Proposal by Iceland)

**Catch Reporting and  
Notification Procedures between Divisions 3M and 3L  
(ADOPTED)****Background:**

At the STACTIC meeting in Gdynia 5 – 7 June 2007, Iceland was asked to develop a proposal on notification and catch reporting requirements in 3L and 3M shrimp fishery. This proposal should be read together with STACTIC Working Paper 06/24 submitted by Iceland to the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in September 2006. In that Working Paper possible options for Catch Reporting according to areas are listed as well as based on a Canadian proposal for Weekly Catch Reporting are listed as well as suggestions for reporting procedures for Division 3L based on a request of advice to the Advisory Group for Data Communication (AGDC) from the European Union.

At the AGDC meeting in Bergen in April 2007 these notification procedures were discussed further and an additional option for multiple area reporting discussed, to use a so called trailer. The trailer option offers the possibility to repeat the same data elements several times inside a single message. This would involve changes to all systems.

**Proposal:**

It is proposed to use a Catch report to report the catches onboard according to Division before entering into Division 3L and in the same way use the Catch report to report catches taken in Division 3L before exiting from Division 3L. The proposed template is found in Annex A.

The proposal is based on a solution which not requires any major changes to the systems. The only change needed is to include the Catch report but all of its data elements are already in the current system. The main elements are as follows:

1. The prior notification before entering remains manual
  - a. The vessels will notify their Flag State FMC of their intention to enter into Division 3L and get approval from the Flag State (Art. 12, 2)
  - b. The Flag State will inform the NAFO Secretariat
2. The vessels are required to transmit Catch report prior to crossing the boundaries of Division 3L on entering and exiting.
  - a. In the Catch report the catches are reported by Division indicating catches retained onboard since the last communication of catches.

Further explanations are found in STACTIC Working Paper 06/24.

It should be noted that this proposal also opens the possibility for regular catch reporting in the NAFO Regulatory Area, with which ever frequency required.

Consequently the following modifications to the NAFO CEM are proposed:

1. Article 23. paragraph 1.
  - c) catch prior to entry and exit from 3L. These reports shall be made by vessels that fish shrimp in Division 3L and shall be sent one hour prior to crossing the boundary of Division 3L indicating catches onboard since last communication of catches by Division and species (3 alpha code) in kg (rounded to nearest 100 kilograms). This report shall be identified as CAT
2. Article 23, paragraph 1 c) becomes d) and d) becomes e)
3. Article 23, paragraph 3 to be deleted and paragraph 4 to be paragraph 3
4. The table in Article 23, showing the sequence of messages should be amended accordingly. The table to read as follows:

<b>Report:</b>	<b>Code:</b>	<b>Remarks:</b>
Catch on Entry	COE	6 hours in advance of the vessels entry into the Regulatory Area.
Entry	ENT	The first position report from a vessel detected to be inside the Regulatory Area
Position	POS	Position report every 2 hours
Catch	CAT	Reporting of catches prior to crossing boundaries of Division 3L
Transshipment	TRA	As relevant
Port of Landing	POR	Report on catch onboard and weight to be landed
Catch on Exit	COX	6 hours in advance of the vessels departure from the Regulatory Area
Exit	EXI	The first position report from a vessel detected to be outside the Regulatory Area

5. The template for Catch Report should be inserted into Annex X as table number 2 and the remaining tables renumbered accordingly.
6. The Catch data element in the Catch on Exit report to be modified as follows:

<b>Data Element</b>	<b>Field Code</b>	<b>Mandatory / Optional</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Catch	CA		Activity detail; Cumulative catch retained on board by species, either since commencement of fishing in the R.A. or last "Catch" report (CAT) or (CAX) if such a report is sent according to Chapter VII, in pairs as needed.
species		M	FAO species code
live weight		M	Live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms

7. Annex XXII, E. Reference to the Catch report should be inserted.

## Annex A

### 2) “Catch” report

Data Element	Code	Mandatory / Optional	Remarks
Start Record	SR	M	System detail; indicates start of record
Address	AD	M	Message detail; destination, “XNW” for NAFO
From	FR	M	Message detail; Address of the transmitting party (ISO-3)
Sequence Number	SQ	M	Message detail; serial number in current year
Type of Message	TM	M	Message detail; message type, “CAT” for Catch report
Radio call sign	RC	M	Vessel registration detail; international radio call sign of the vessel
Trip Number	TN	O	Activity detail; fishing trip serial number in current year
Vessel Name	NA	O	Vessel registration detail; name of the vessel
Contracting Party Internal Reference Number	IR	O	Vessel registration detail; unique Contracting Party vessel number as ISO-3 flag state code followed by number
External Registration Number	XR	O	Vessel registration detail; the side number of the vessel
Relevant Area	RA	M	Activity detail; NAFO Division
Latitude	LA	M <sup>1</sup>	Activity detail; position at time of transmission
Longitude	LO	M <sup>1</sup>	Activity detail; position at time of transmission
Daily Catch species live weight	CA	M	Activity detail; cumulative catch by species retained onboard, either since commencement of fishing in the R.A. <sup>2</sup> or last “Catch” report, in pairs as needed FAO species code Live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms
Days Fished	DF	O	Activity detail; number of fishing days in the R.A. <sup>2</sup> either since commencement of fishing of last “Catch” report
Date	DA	M	Message detail; date of transmission
Time	TI	M	Message detail; time of transmission
End of record	ER	M	System detail; indicates end of record

<sup>1</sup> Optional if the vessel is subject to satellite tracking in accordance with Article 22(1)

<sup>2</sup> Meaning the first “Catch” report in current fishing trip in the R.A.