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Amendments to Chapter IV - Conservation and Management Measures Article 33 - Obligations of Vessel Masters during Inspection

Proposal by Canada

Explanatory Memorandum

The provisions found under Article 33 are intended to facilitate the work of an Inspector during inspections. Under the current Measures, masters do not have to provide inspectors with the start and end coordinates of fishing activity. This information is important as it assists inspectors with determining compliance with the NCEM's.

In order to ensure compliance with the NCEM's, additional obligations are required of the master which can be incorporated under Article 33.

Proposal

Make additional information available to Inspectors to ensure compliance with NCEM's Amend Chapter IV - Article 33.1 - Obligations of Vessel Masters during Inspections, by adding a new sub paragraph:

The master of a fishing vessel shall:

- a, b, c, and d unchanged
- e) Record, and provide to an inspector upon request, coordinates pertaining to the start and end locations of any trial tow conducted in reference to Article 11 paragraph 3 c).