



GRUPO JADRAN

ISSF CONSERVATION MEASURE 3.1

GRUPO JADRAN DOES NOT PERMIT aboard its vessels the practice of shark finning, which is defined as the removal and retention of any shark fins while discarding the remainder of the shark at sea and requires that all sharks are, if retained, stored and landed with fins naturally attached.

This announcement is clearly visible on board the vessels in all languages commonly spoken on board.

ISSF CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR THE PROHIBITION OF SHARK FINNING

International Seafood Sustainability Foundation (ISSF)

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“Shark finning” is the practice of retaining shark fins and discarding the remaining carcass while at sea. Shark finning contravenes the FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and its International Plan of Action for the Conservation and Management of Sharks, as well as the resolutions of a number of other international marine bodies, all of which call for minimizing waste and discards.

Shark finning has also contributed to major uncertainties about the total biomass and species composition of sharks caught. Tuna RFMOs restrict shark finning through a provision that the weight of fins landed cannot exceed 5% of the total shark catch on board. The fin-to-carcass ratio can vary considerably depending on the species, the dressing of the carcass, and on the different ways fins are cut, therefore creating difficulties in enforcement and accurate data collection.

The “International Seafood Sustainability Foundation” states:

1. Since 1 June 2012. Companies shall establish and publish policies **prohibiting** shark finning and requiring sharks be landed with fins naturally attached, if retained. “Publish” for the purpose of this measure includes posting the policy on the company’s public website. In the event a Participating Company does not have a public website, the Participating Company shall make its policy otherwise available to the general public.
2. Encourage RFMO members to strengthen their management of shark catches taking into consideration the **shark finning prohibition**. In addition to mandatory reporting of shark catches by species.



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3. Processors, traders, importers, transporters, marketers and others involved in the seafood industry shall not conduct transactions with vessels that carry out shark finning and/or do not land all sharks with fins naturally attached, if retained.
4. For the purpose of determining if a vessel is conducting shark finning and/or has not landed all sharks with fins naturally attached, if retained, processors, traders, importers, transporters, marketers and others involved in the seafood industry will rely upon the publicly available conclusions of investigations conducted by the RFMOs or national governments.
5. After a period of 2 years from the date of the conclusion of the investigation, processors, traders, importers, transporters, marketers and others involved in the seafood industry can resume transactions with those vessels identified above, provided the vessels are not involved in further incidents.
6. Processors, traders, importers, transporters, marketers and others involved in the seafood industry shall not conduct transactions with companies that do not have a public policy prohibiting shark finning and requiring sharks be landed with fins naturally attached, if retained. For the purposes of this measure a policy is “public” if it is published on the company’s website or is otherwise available to the general public.