

ANNUAL FISHING / CAPACITY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR TROPICAL TUNAS

Name of CPC: Venezuela

Year of Fishing Plan: 2021

1. Introduction

The Venezuela tuna fleet targeting tropical tunas: yellowfin tuna (YFT), skipjack tuna (SKJ), bigeye tuna (BET), blackfin tuna (BLF) and frigate tuna (FRI) is comprised of 132 industrial vessels, of which 100 industrial vessels are active: 95 longliners, 3 purse seiners and 2 baitboats; bycatch taken of albacore (*T. alalunga*), billfish and sharks. Among the tropical tunas, the largest volumes of catch are of yellowfin tuna (*T. albacares*) and skipjack (*K. pelamis*) with more than 50% and 20% of the catches, respectively. Venezuela does not have an allocated catch limit for tropical tunas.

2. Details of fishing plan - For those with >1,000 t average catch

The Venezuela tuna fleet targeting tropical tunas (yellowfin tuna, skipjack tuna, bigeye tuna, blackfin tuna, and frigate tuna) is comprised of 132 industrial vessels, of which 100 industrial vessels are active: 95 longliners, 3 purse seiners and 2 baitboats.

Venezuela does not have an allocated bycatch for bigeye tuna. Also it does not apply capacity limitation for bigeye tuna in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 12, letter d, of Recommendation 16-01, corresponding to capacity management measures.

	<i>ICCAT Requirement (per 19-02)</i>	<i>Explanation of CPC actions taken to implement</i>	<i>Relevant domestic laws or regulations (as applicable)</i>	<i>Note</i>
1.	Catch limits and Catch reductions (Part II)			
2.	Capacity Limits (Part III)			
3.	Management of FADs and FAD Closure(s) (Part IV)			
4.	Control Measures, including planned trials of electronic observers (Part V)			
5.	Other information / measures to be taken			

3. Expansion of capacity in 2021

4. FAD Management Plan

CAPACITY TABLE

TROPICAL TUNA VESSEL FLEET												
	<i>Number of vessels</i>							<i>Total estimated capacity</i>				
Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	<i>Estimated best catch rate per unit (t)</i>	<i>Difference 2018 / 2020</i>	2018	2019	2020	2021	<i>Difference 2018 / 2020</i>	
Purse seiner over 40m	24	24	24	24	350	0	29131	29131	31846	31846	2715	
Purse seiner between 20 and 40m	1	1	1		350	0	452.9	452.9	452.9		0	
Purse seiner less than 20m												
Longliner over 40m			1	1	6	0			455	455	455	
Longliner between 20 and 40m	77	82	90	90	5	0	11113.9	11769.6	12787.9	13021	1674	
Longliner less than 20m	17	13	13	13	4.5	0	1175	936.19	936.19	936.19	-238.81	
For Capacity Expansion												
Live bait	8	6	6	4	50	0	2081.8	1508.66	1508.66	1111	-573.14	
Other gears (specify)												
Total fishing capacity												
Quota												
Initial quota												
Quota transfer to XX (if applicable)												
Quota transfer from XX (if applicable)												
Adjusted total quota (if applicable)												