

HARVEST STRATEGY ADOPTION BY RFMOs



Using a methodology developed by the NGO Tuna Forum, the chart below tracks progress on development and implementation of four key elements of precautionary harvest strategies (also known as management procedures) at the tuna-RFMOs. A stock with all green boxes is considered to have a comprehensive, operational harvest strategy, a necessary step towards securing science-based management and long-term fishery sustainability.

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| | Management Objectives | Management Strategy Evaluation | Harvest Control Rule/s | Monitoring Strategies |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| IATTC Tuna Stocks | | | | |
| Skipjack | | | | |
| Northern Albacore | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented |
| Bigeye | | | | |
| Yellowfin | | | | |
| Pacific Bluefin | | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| ICCAT Tuna Stocks | | | | |
| Eastern Skipjack | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| Western Skipjack | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented |
| Northern Albacore | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented |
| Southern Albacore | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| Mediterranean Albacore | | | | |
| Bigeye | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| Yellowfin | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| Eastern Bluefin | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented |
| Western Bluefin | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | Adopted & Implemented |
| IOTC Tuna Stocks | | | | |
| Skipjack | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented |
| Albacore | | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| Bigeye | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented |
| Yellowfin | | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| WCPFC Tuna Stocks | | | | |
| Skipjack | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented |
| Northern Albacore | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented |
| Southern Albacore | Adopted, not Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented | Adopted, not Implemented |
| Bigeye | | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| Yellowfin | | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| Pacific Bluefin | | Adopted, not Implemented | | |
| CCSBT Tuna Stocks | | | | |
| Southern Bluefin | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented | Adopted & Implemented |



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■ Adopted & Implemented

■ Adopted, not Implemented

■ Not Yet Adopted

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