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### **LICENCE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR OCEAN MASTER CRAFT, LCM AND MAKO CRAFT OPERATING FROM DIEGO GARCIA**

#### **REPORTING OF CATCH AND EFFORT**

A record of total catch and effort is to be submitted by the master of ocean master craft, LCM craft and Mako Craft at the end of each fishing session in the form of a Vessel Sport Fishery Log sheet, including the following information:

- Numbers of fish caught by species
- Total weight of fish caught by species
- Hours fished
- Areas fished and
- Total number of hooks and lines used

All Vessel Sport Fishery Log sheets from Ocean Master Craft, LCM Craft and Mako Craft are to be submitted to the designated Senior Fisheries Protection Officer within the Territory.

#### **FISHING METHODS**

Prohibited from catching or attempting to capture fish by any fishing method other than:

- Hook and line (including rod and line, hand line and trolling)

Ensure that no steel wire is used on fishing lines (only monofilament nylon line to be used). Wire leaders can be used on trolling lines on Ocean Master craft targeting tuna and tuna-like species.

The gaffing of billfish, sailfish, sharks and Napoleon wrasse is prohibited. All billfish, sailfish, sharks and Napoleon wrasse are unhooked alongside the craft in preparation for release.

#### **FISHING AREAS**

Mako Craft: fishing is restricted to designated areas within the lagoon that are specified on the Vessel Sport Fishery log sheet.

LCM and Ocean Master craft: fishing is restricted to the reef periphery and ocean waters outside the lagoon.

## **CLOSED AREAS**

Ensure that Mako, LCM craft and Ocean Masters do not operate in any closed areas that may be specified by the Director of Fisheries in writing or through radio communication with the authorities within the Territory.

## **FISH SPECIES**

Ensure that all **billfish, sail fish, sharks and Napoleon wrasse** caught on Ocean Master, LCM and Mako Craft are released alive and unharmed after capture.

All other fish species caught from Ocean Master, LCM and Mako Craft can be retained.

## **CONSERVATION**

Ensure that he or no member of the crew, otherwise than in the proper cause of fishing authorized by this licence, takes, damages or otherwise interferes with any wildlife (as defined by the Protection and Preservation of Wildlife Ordinance 1970, as from time to time amended) within BIOT (including its fishing waters) and in particular that he and every such member complies with that ordinance (as so amended) with any regulations or other instructions made thereafter as for the time being in force and with other law for the time being in force in BIOT regulating the protection or preservation of wildlife in BIOT.

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