

2014 Observer Sampling Manual Errata and Updates

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Chapter	Page	Correction
Trawl Composition	5-51	Figure 5-12. Add 2 chum genetic specimens to the Deck Form below the Coho specimens: CHUM/ Sp #14 M, 61, 3.70kg; Sp #15 F, 55, 3.00kg. GOA observers collect genetic samples from all chum salmon encountered in their at-sea samples or offloads.
Longline Catch Data Collection	7-32	Figure 7-13. Vessel Haul Form - Add "F" to meters or fathoms depth column. The Observer Haul Form is a 2010 form that lacks the "Flow Scale Weight" Column. All the information is correct as this is CV haul data. Observers will be issued 2014 Observer Haul Forms .
Fish Measurement and Specimen Collection	13-2	Page 13-2, Under "Collecting Fish For Measurement and Specimen Data", at the end of the second paragraph make a note that in the Gulf of Alaska when pollock are predominant the collection will be approximately 50 sex/length records.
Fish Measurement and Specimen Collection	13-28	Figure 13-18: "Length and Specimen Priority List for the Gulf of Alaska" GOA Pollock- Change the number of Sex/Lengths collected per haul to ~50 and the number of otoliths to 8 pairs for every sampled haul. <i>This should also be updated on the 2014 water proof version of the "Length and Specimen Priority List for the Gulf of Alaska" that is issued with the observer sampling gear.</i>
Stomach Collection	17-3	Under "Selecting Fish for Your Specimens", add a sentence in the middle "all arrowtooth lengths associated with a stomach collection in the BSAI should be listed at the haul level regardless of where they were collected from."
Stomach Collection	17-4,17-5	No GOA CV collection until further notice. Observers in the BSAI should check in with their inseason advisor or the Dutch office before beginning the project.
Appendix	A-52	Under USCG, add to contacts fishsafewest.info website (Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety) that has a lot of helpful safety information for observers.