

2015 Observer Sampling Manual Errata and Updates

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| Chapter | Page | Date | Correction/Update |
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| 2015 Partial Coverage Observer Logbook | 211 | 1-Jan-15 | Page 211, The daily notes example for the date 10/21/14 repeats the line "David was injured while pushing one of the pots across the deck. He slipped and twisted his ankle." Cross this line out. |
| 2015 Full Coverage Observer Logbook | 3 | 1-Jan-15 | Page 3, Table of Contents, "Report of Marine Casualties from Commercial Fishing Vessels" is listed for page 29 should be changed to page 212. The list of Marine Casualties and the information required for any Marine Casualty are listed on page 212 and should be recorded in your daily notes. |
| Trip Information | 3-1 | 1-Jan-15 | Under PORT CODES, the first sentence reading "Use the following table...." should be changed to " Use the Port Codes and Non-fishing Day Port Positions table on page A-25 to determine the port code... " |
| Trawl Comp | 5-27 | 10-Feb-15 | Second column: Crab Pots paragraph, second sentence, change to: " <i>Record these instances on your Vessel Haul Form in the gear performance field (see page 4-17)</i> ". |
| Longline Catch Data Collection | 7-20 | 1-Jan-15 | Left column at the bottom of the page. The last sentence is cut off. The complete sentence should read " <i>Instructions on how to fill out each of these forms follows.</i> " Add "each of these forms" to the text. |
| Longline Composition Sampling | 8-32 | 1-Jan-15 | Page 8-32, left column under SPECIES- Cross out the lines " Consolidate the data for the number and weight of a single species (or species group) into a single line of entry. Also consolidate the data for the number only of a single species (or species group) into a single line of entry. " Protocols for 2015 are that you enter the # and weight of fish/baskets as they are weighed. Do not consolidate weights for several baskets of the same species. |
| Shoreside Plants and Floating Processors | 11-6 | 1-Jan-15 | Second column, third bullet, the first sentence- change the word "will" to "may" , so that it reads "...salmon retention count may be done during..." |
| Shoreside Plants and Floating Processors | 11-6 | 1-Jan-15 | Second column, 4th bullet, cross out the second sentence. GOA retention count and bio data may be collected at any time during the offload. The plant observer needs to be mindful that the plant workers may not realize the difference in protocol and rules regarding GOA pollock and data collection. |
| Prohibited Species Sampling | 12-12 | 1-Jan-15 | Right column, under Genetics Sampling: GOA Collection Protocols, first bullet- Cross out "species composition" from the end of the sentence. Both the Chinook and Chum protocols should read " <i>A genetics specimen will be collected from every Chinook (or Chum) salmon encountered in your at-sea species composition sample (all fisheries) and offload salmon retention count (pollock only).</i> " |
| Fish Measurement and Specimen Collection | 13-7 | 1-Jan-15 | Left column at the bottom of the page, change last sentence text to read "...sampled hauls until the predominant species changes or your cruise ends." Always collect sex/lengths and otoliths based on the predominant species of the haul being sampled, regardless of the fishery the vessel may be participating in. The predominant species should be tracked so that otoliths are collected at the appropriate sampled haul. |
| Appendix | A-25 | 1-Jan-15 | Port Codes and Non-Fishing Day Positions. Change AKUTAN to Code 10. Change Alitak to code 2. Code 3 remains for Dutch Harbor. 10- Akutan 54° 08' 165° 46' 2- Alitak 56° 53' 154° 07' 3- Dutch Harbor 53° 53' 166° 32' |
| Appendix | A-25 | 10-Feb-15 | Port Codes and Non-Fishing Day Positions. Change BEAVER INLET position to the following: 74- Beaver Inlet 53° 44' 166° 19' If your vessel is delivering to the Northern Victor in Beaver Inlet use this port code and position. |