

2016 Observer Sampling Manual Errata and Updates

In the authoring of any document it is difficult to completely avoid mistakes, typographic errors, etc. The staff of the Fisheries Monitoring and Analysis Division (FMA) strives to ensure that there are as few errors in the Observer Sampling Manual as possible. Please contact FMA staff for the most current version of an errata document that serves to correct errors that were not caught prior to publication. **If you note anything further that should be corrected, please send an email to both Adriana.Myers@noaa.gov and Brian.Mason@noaa.gov.** In your message, please include the chapter name, page number, and describe the error. Please include the chapter name and a brief description of the type of error in the subject line. Check the "Date" column to identify the the most recent items added since the previous errata.

Chapter	Page	Date	Correction/Update
Trawl Comp	5-13	18-Dec-15	Page 5-12, bullet point #7, last sentence continuing to page 5-13. Language correction. Change sentence to read "For example, if "n" is the 40th sampling unit and the time per sample is 0.5 minutes, your sample would be collected at the 20th minute (40 x 0.50) within each interval."
Trawl Comp	5-13	23-Nov-15	Example 5-1. First paragraph, last sentence change to "Sample 2 will be unit 490 and sample 3....." The third paragraph in the same example should read "Sample # 2 will be available at approximately minute 21.4375 (490 x 0.04375min=21.4375 minutes).
Trawl Comp	5-18	23-Nov-15	Example 5-2. Second paragraph, third sentence, change 115 seconds to 75 seconds. The sentence will read "....50 minutes process time/40 units = 1.25 minutes (75 seconds)."
Trawl Comp	5-24	18-Dec-15	First Column, first paragraph, last sentence, change to: "Add the weight of the pre-sorted item(s) to the Observer Estimate as appropriate. Check with the captain to determine if their Vessel Estimate will change."
Trawl Comp	5-58	20-Jan-16	% Ret Key punch Check is incorrect. Change from 100 to 120 .
Longline Catch	7-24	18-Dec-15	Second column, under Snap Gear Hook and Segment Data , cross out the 2nd sentence which begins "If gear is lost, the number of segments should be listed...." (this sentence described protocol no longer in use for 2016)
Longline Catch	7-25	18-Dec-15	Second column, third paragraph, under Snap Gear Partial Segments , two spelling errors: 2nd sentence "didvide" change to "divide" , and 3rd sentence "...ont he..." change to "on the" .
Longline Catch	7-28	18-Dec-15	Figure 7-9, cross out the "Unable to Follow Design" field on the Deck Form
Longline Comp	8-5	18-Dec-15	Second column, under Random Sampling on Longliners, second sentence should read "As set size decreases, a simple random sampling design may become more common."
Longline Comp	8-16	14-Jan-16	Page 8-16: First column, last paragraph: Currently reads: "Leave the weight field blank with the appropriate tally number", Should read: "Enter 0 in the weight field with the appropriate tally number" .
Longline Comp	8-31	25-Feb-16	Page 8-31, Left column, under Recording Snap Gear Sample Size , second sentence, change "1" to read as ".01" . The sentence should now read "Record the total number of hooks sampled in the "# of Hooks Sampled" field on the Deck Form with ".01" segment recorded in the "Sample Size" field."
Longline Comp	8-31	25-Feb-16	Page 8-31, Right column, bottom of page under "Snap Gear Deck Form Instructions"- Sample Size : change "1.00" to ".01" . The instructions should read Sample Size: "Enter ".01" segment in this field."
Longline Comp	8-38	25-Feb-16	Page 8-38, Figure 8-12. In the "Sample Size" field of the Deck Form example change "1.00" to read ".01" for the segment size.
Pot Comp	10-4	20-Jan-16	Page 10-4, second column, second to last paragraph- Sentence is cut off and reads " weighing all bycatch if possible." Should read "While sampling all of the pots in a string is preferred over using a random sampling design, this would require you to count everything in every pot of a string , weighing all bycatch if possible."
Plants	11-19	20-Jan-16	Main Body of Fish Ticket: First P.Cod line, Scale Weight is incorrect. Change from 173,005 to 173,205 .
Prohibited Species	12-2	18-Dec-15	2nd column, 2nd bullet, cross out old language "If there are too many halibut in a haul or set to be measured and/or assessed, be sure to randomly collect 20 per day to measure and assess for viability or injury." Not consistent with 2016 protocols.
Prohibited Species	12-8	18-Dec-15	First paragraph, 4th sentence should read "Collect halibut for the injury assessment using a simple random or systematic random sampling design."
Fish Measurement and Specimen Collection	13-17	10-Nov-15	Second column: third bullet, 5- Opportunistic description, delete last sentence - "For example, use this design code for lengths of presorted haliubt" .
Fish Measurement and Specimen Collection	13-21	10-Nov-15	Opportunistic (Code 5): delete first bullet: "1. On a trawler, use this code for lengths of presorted halibut."

Fish Measurement and Specimen Collection	13-25	10-Nov-15	Figure 13-15: Change halibut sample design code from 5 (opportunistic) to 6 (simple random).
ATLAS	18-25	20-Nov-15	Second column, Cutting and Pasting Text in Atlas Messages: <i>Option 2</i> : Step 1 is incomplete, it should read: " <i>In text message, double click on the IN message you want to save outside of Atlas.</i> " Also, step 2 is missing. After step 1 add: " <i>2. Click on the Print button</i> "
Inseason Advising, Mid-cruise and Final Debriefing	21-15	3-Dec-15	Second column, next to last paragraph, last sentence change to read " <i>A copy of the CFR which includes all Observer Program regulations and procedures can be found at http://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/frules/77fr70062.pdf.</i> "