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Benchmarking of certain current tuna RFMO requirements regarding compliance processes against best-practice recommendations

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RFMO Best Practices Snapshot
– 2025: Compliance Processes

 Priority reform in place
  Partial reform in place
  Does not have priority reform in place

Compliance Processes: Priority Improvements Needed by RFMO	CCSBT	IATTC	ICCAT	IOTC	WCPFC
Information Used and Items Assessed					
Diverse sources of information used in assessments		 ^a	 ^a	 ^b	 ^a
Verify national self-reporting for all gears		 ^c	 ^c	 ^d	 ^c
The Assessment Process					
Ensure transparency in the processes, including allowing accredited observers access to compliance committee or working group meetings		 ^e			 ^f
Follow-up and Outcomes					
Require reporting on actions taken, and track responses over time		 ^g		 ^h	
Develop and use a range of remedies to respond to identified non-compliance, particularly persistent and serious non-compliance		 ⁱ		 ^j	 ^k
Institutional and Governance					
Establish audit points or performance metrics		 ^l			

^a Largely relies on self-reported data sources as only large-scale purse seine (PS) have 100% observer coverage required

^b Largely relies on self-reported data sources and only 5% observer coverage required

^c Only PS have 100% observer coverage requirement

^d Only 5% observer coverage required on all gears

^e Observers can participate in the meeting and can view documents on screen, but have no access to documents

^f Meeting closed to observers; documents are confidential

^g Process of tracking responses is in development

^h Improvements needed in tracking responses over time

ⁱ Specific remedies have not yet been elaborated; development of remedies included in Committee for the Review of Implementation of Measures Adopted by the Commission (COR) work plan adopted in 2024

^j New process, including remedies, not yet fully implemented

^k Limited actions outlined; more specific remedies need to be elaborated

^l Development of performance metrics included in COR work plan adopted in 2024