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COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2026/117

of 3 November 2025

amending Regulation (EU) 2022/2343 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) Area of Competence, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EC) No 1984/2003 and (EC) No 520/2007

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2022/2343 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 November 2022 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) Area of Competence, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EC) No 1984/2003 and (EC) No 520/2007 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 54(1)(i) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Union is a contracting party to the Agreement for the establishment of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC), as approved by Council Decision 95/399/EC ⁽²⁾.
- (2) The European Parliament and the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2022/2343 in order to implement into Union law IOTC Conservation and Management Measures, which are binding on the Union.
- (3) At its annual meeting in 2022, the IOTC adopted Resolution 22/02 on establishing a programme for transhipment by large-scale fishing vessels. Moreover, at its annual meeting in 2025, the IOTC adopted Resolution 25/05 on establishing a programme for transhipment by large-scale fishing vessels. Resolution 22/02 and Resolution 25/05 introduced the requirement to declare the IMO number of the carrier vessel and the fishing vessel, as well as the need to use UTC to indicate the time of the transhipment.
- (4) These measures should be implemented into Union law. Therefore, Regulation (EU) 2022/2343 should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex 7 to Regulation (EU) 2022/2343 is replaced in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 311, 2.12.2022, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2343/oj>.

⁽²⁾ Council Decision 95/399/EC of 18 September 1995 on the accession of the Community to the Agreement for the establishment of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (OJ L 236, 5.10.1995, p. 24, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/1995/399/oj>).

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 3 November 2025.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Annex 7 to Regulation (EU) 2022/2343 is replaced by the following:

‘ANNEX 7

IOTC Transhipment Declaration

Carrier Vessel	Fishing Vessel
Name of the Vessel and Radio Call Sign: Flag: IMO number: Flag State licence number: National Register Number, if available: IOTC Register Number, if available:	Name of the Vessel and Radio Call Sign: Flag: IMO number: Flag State licence number: National Register Number, if available: IOTC Register Number, if available:

	Day ⁽¹⁾	Month	Hour	Year		Agent's name:	Master's name of LSTV:	Master's name of Carrier:
Departure					from			
Return					to	Signature:	Signature:	Signature:
Transhipment								

⁽¹⁾ For the purpose of completing this Transshipment Declaration, UTC should be used to indicate the time and date of the transshipment.

Indicate the weight in kilograms or the unit used (e.g. box, basket) and the landed weight in kilograms of this unit: _____ kilograms

LOCATION OF TRANSHIPMENT

Species	Port		Sea	Type of product							
				Whole	Gutted	Headed	Filleted				

If transhipment effected at sea, IOTC Observer Name and Signature:’
