



**BFAR ADMINISTRATIVE
CIRCULAR NO. _____:
Series of 20193**

SUBJECT : Amending several provisions of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 238, series of 2012 and BFAR Administrative Circular No. 238-1, series of 2013

Pursuant to Section 38 and 62 of Republic Act 8550, as amended by Republic Act 10654, the following provisions of BFAR Administrative Circular No. 238-1, series of 2013 is hereby amended as follows: 107 of Republic Act 8550 or the Philippine Fisheries Code of 1998, FAO 238 on the Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No. 1005/2008 on the Catch Certification Scheme is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Requirements. – Section 10, items 1 and 2 of FAO 238 on the additional requirements for the issuance of Regular Catch Certificate is hereby amended as follows:

1. Copy of Distant-Water Fishing Permit (DWFP);
2. Copy of fishing license/permit from PNG and/or other coastal States where the fishing vessel is operating;
3. Original or authenticated copy of Fish Origin Declaration Form issued by the National Fisheries Authority of PNG;
4. Transshipment Declaration, in case there is transshipment of catch at foreign port;
- 1.5. Landing Declaration, in case there is landing/unloading of catch in foreign port;

Section 2. The Catch Origin Landing Declaration (COLD). – Section 6 of BFAR AC No. 238-1 is hereby amended as follows:

"The Catch Origin Landing Declaration is a document submitted to-issued by BFAR by the Captain or Master of a to the fishing vessel or his representative upon arrival after the inspection and monitoring of landing/unloading of catches has been completed. It shall contain at least the following information:

- a. **the name of the catcher and/or carrier vessel/s, flag, registration number and fishing license number;***
- b. **the FAO alpha-3 code of each species;***
- c. **catch description, whether fresh/chilled or frozen;***
- d. **the port and date landed;***
- e. **the quantities of each species in metric tons or, where appropriate, the number of individuals.***

BFAR shall validate/verify the species and weight of fish landed by a fishing vessel in a particular fish port in the Philippines. Since most catches are unloaded by carrier

vessels that consolidate catch from one or more catcher vessels, the COLD shall also indicate the species and volume of fish per catcher vessel. For this purpose, the carrier vessel ~~must~~ shall provide ~~to~~ BFAR a ~~Transshipment-Captain/Mate's Brailing~~ Certificate and Stowage Plan **certified by the captain/master**. The species and weight indicated in the COLD shall be the basis of the weight that will be indicated under the box "Verified weight landed (kg) where appropriate". Annex 1 of this Order contains the format of the COLD.

Section 12. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 13. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and upon registration with the National Administrative Register.

Issued this _____ day of _____ 2019 at Quezon City, Philippines.

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Secretary

Recommending approval:

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