

**Issues of potential non-compliance arising from
ICCAT Regional Observer Programmes and Responses**
ICCAT Secretariat

1. Infractions reported by observers under the Regional Observer Programme for Transshipment

Only three incidences were reported as potential non-compliance as shown below. Responses to all were received. Where applicable, CPCs took follow up action; in some cases, no PNC was found and hence no action necessary. The details of the PNCs and the responses are contained in **Appendix 1**.

Table 1. Summary of PNCs under the ROP transshipment

<i>CPC</i>	<i>No. PNCs</i>	<i>Responses</i>	<i>Action taken by CPC</i>
China	0	n/a	n/a
Chinese Taipei	1	1	yes
Japan	2	2	yes
Korea	0	n/a	n/a
Namibia	0	n/a	n/a

The full reports of the observers deployed under the ROP_transshipment can be found on [ICCAT web page](#).

2. Infractions reported by observers under the Regional Observer Programme for eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna

2.1 Vessels

Fifty PNCs were issued by observers on board purse seine vessels. A summary of the PNC reports and responses, as well as actions taken where appropriate, can be found in **Appendix 2**.

Table 2. Summary of PNCs under the ROP – BFT (Vessels).

<i>CPC</i>	<i>Number of vessels participating in ROP in 2023</i>	<i>No. PNCs</i>	<i>Responses</i>
Albania	2	0	n/a
Algeria	32	3	3
EU	69	25	18 (+ 7 pending procedures)
Libya	15	2	2
Morocco	4	0	n/a
Norway	7	5*	5
Tunisia	51	3	3
Türkiye	29	12	12

* At the time of writing, but not all reports received due to later fishing season. One of these relate to farming procedure under the short-term storage pilot project, but has been included with vessels as both catching and caging was carried out under one deployment.

The observer reports of deployments on purse seine vessels are available in **Annex 1**.

2.2 Farms and traps

The observers reported a total of 31 potential non-compliance issues since the last Commission meeting. A summary of the PNC reports and responses, as well as actions taken where appropriate, can be found in **Appendix 3**. **Table 3** below shows a summary of the reports.

Table 3. Summary of PNCs under the ROP – BFT (Traps and farms).

<i>CPC</i>	<i>Number of traps/farms deployments in ROP since 1 October 2022</i>	<i>No. PNCs</i>	<i>Responses</i>
Albania	2	0	n/a
EU	43	30	30
Morocco	6	0	n/a
Tunisia	7	0	n/a
Türkiye	11	1	1

The observer reports of deployments on farms and traps are available in **Annex 2**.