



DEEP SEA FISHING AUTHORITY- TANZANIA

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR A LICENSED VESSEL TO FISH IN THE TANZANIA EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE

1. INTRODUCTION

The Terms and Conditions here under should be complied by fishing vessels licensed to fish in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of United Republic of Tanzania (URT). The Terms and Conditions are an integral part and well stipulated in the Deep Sea Fisheries Management and Development Act, Cap. 388 R.E. 2020 and its Regulations of 2021.

2. STOWAGE OF FISHING GEAR

A fishing gear on board of licensed fishing vessel shall at all times be stowed or secured in such a manner that it is not readily available for fishing in an unauthorized fishing area.

3. LICENSE DURATION

A fishing license is issued for a period of three, six or twelve months.

4. ENTRY AND EXIT

A fishing vessel must provide an entry and exit report at least 24 hours before entering and exiting from the EEZ of URT at info@dsfa.go.tz with the following complete information:

- i. Latitudes and longitudes position of the vessel;
- ii. Date and time of entry or exit;
- iii. Quantity and species of fish on board; and
- iv. Weight by species of fish caught within the EEZ of URT.

5. DAILY CATCH REPORTING

A licensed fishing vessel must provide a catch report every 24 hours electronically or by other means while fishing in the Tanzania EEZ with the

following complete information:

- v. Name and flag State of the vessel;
- vi. International Radio call sign of the vessel;
- vii. Time (ULC) and latitude and longitude position; and
- viii. Catch on board the vessel by species and weight.

6. PORT ENTRY

A licensed fishing vessel must provide in advance a request for port entry (AREP) report not less than 48 hours prior to entry into any of the designated ports of URT (A copy of the form will be provided upon request).

7. DESIGNATED FISHING PORTS

There are four designated ports in the URT namely, Dar es Salaam, Mtwara, Tanga and Zanzibar that shall be used for:

- ix. Port inspection;
- x. Catch landing and transshipment;
- xi. Repairs, refueling, resupplying; and
- xii. Other port services.

8. FISHING GEAR AND SPECIFICATIONS

A fishing gear permitted for fishing in the EEZ of URT shall be as specified in the license. No other fishing gear or modification of a permitted gear shall be allowed on board of a fishing vessel.

9. LOGBOOKS

A fishing vessel shall have a bounded logbook issued by a competent Authority of the flag state for recording daily fishing operations.

10. VESSEL AND GEAR MARKING

A fishing vessel shall clearly display on each side and the deck, its international Radio Call Sign, Port of Registry and/or the country (flag state) registration number. All markings on a vessel and gear shall be displayed in accordance with the FAO Standard Specifications for Markings and Identification.

11. TRANSSHIPMENT

Transshipment shall be done at designated ports only with exceptional conditions at sea under certain circumstances.

12. MOBILE TRANSIVER UNIT (VMS AND AIS)

A fishing vessel shall be equipped with a compatible mobile transceiver unit such as automatic identification system (AIS) and vessel monitoring system (VMS) that must be confirmed working and switched on at all times. An operator must report to the Authority any technical failure or non function of MTU immediately.

13. PROTECTED ENDEGERED SPECIES

It is prohibited for a fishing vessel to catch protected, threatened or endangered species including marine mammals, marine birds, sea turtles and sharks. If a protected, threatened or endangered species caught alive must be recorded in the log book and released immediately.

14. OBSERVER PROGRAM

A fishing vessel shall carry on board a fishery observer, when required by the Authority. The operator shall provided the observer with appropriate working space, access to all spaces, and communication service, accommodation, meals and treatment at standards of an Officer.

NB: an operator of a fishing vessel shall be subject to further terms and conditions as may be determined by the Authority.