

Title	Describe legislative compliance for seafood harvesting on a commercial fishing vessel		
Level	3	Credits	5

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people working in a commercial seafood operation.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: the Fisheries Act 1996 requirements for harvesting seafood on a commercial fishing vessel; the procedures for handling accidental catch of protected species; and the post-harvest handling of seafood on a commercial fishing vessel.</p>
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Classification	Seafood > Seafood Risk Management
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with:
 - Workplace procedures;
 - Fisheries Act 1996; and any subsequent amendments.

- 2 Definitions

Commercial fishing vessel refers to a vessel that is operating a Maritime Operator Safety System (MOSS) that is recognised by Maritime New Zealand and meets the requirements of the Maritime Transport Operator Certificate and/or Plan.

Workplace procedures refer to the policies and procedures set out in a verbal or written form by the employer or organisation. Procedures must be consistent with current legislative requirements and manufacturer’s recommendations or instructions where relevant.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the Fisheries Act 1996 requirements for harvesting seafood on a commercial fishing vessel.

Performance criteria

1.1 Describe the targeted species and harvest areas in accordance with the vessel’s fishing permit and/or plan.

Range permit and/or plan includes but is not limited to – permit holder access to annual catch entitlement (ACE), ACE by area.

1.2 Describe the fishing method, fishing permit and fishing gear required for the targeted species.

1.3 Describe the supporting documentation and information required.

Range includes but is not limited to – estimated catch of each species, fishing gear data, position.

Outcome 2

Describe the procedures for handling accidental catch of protected species.

Performance criteria

2.1 Describe the harvesting techniques used to minimise accidental catch of protected species.

2.2 Describe the procedures for releasing accidental catch of protected species.

2.3 Describe the procedures for recording accidental catch of protected species.

Outcome 3

Describe the post-harvest handling of seafood on a commercial fishing vessel.

Performance criteria

3.1 Describe the systems used to ensure that decisions on the post-harvest handling of the seafood are made in accordance with the Fisheries Act 1996.

3.2 Describe the preparation of catch data required prior to reporting.

Range includes but is not limited to – fish identification, estimated weight landed, discards, eaten, accidentally lost, minimum legal size.

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

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