

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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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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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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