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and complete record of catch, effort, and other data on report forms provided by the Regional Administrator. All information specified on the forms must be recorded on the forms within 24 hours after the completion of each fishing day. The original logbook form for each day of the fishing trip must be submitted to the Regional Administrator as required by this paragraph (a). Each form must be signed and dated by the fishing vessel operator.

(1) The operator of any vessel subject to the requirements of § 660.21(a) through (c), § 660.41, or § 660.81 must submit the original logbook form for each day of the fishing trip to the Regional Administrator within 72 hours of each landing of management unit species.

(2) Except for a vessel that is fishing in the U.S. EEZ around Midway Atoll as specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section, any operator whose vessel is registered for use with a PRIA pelagic troll and handline fishing permit under § 660.21(d) must submit the original logbook form for each day of fishing within the U.S. EEZ around the PRIA to the Regional Administrator within 10 days of each landing of management unit species.

(3) The operator of a vessel fishing in the U.S. EEZ around Midway Atoll and registered for use with a PRIA pelagic troll and handline fishing permit under § 660.21(d) must submit an appropriate reporting form as required and in a manner specified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for each day of fishing within the U.S. EEZ around Midway Atoll, which is defined as an area of the Pacific Ocean bounded on the east by 177°10' W. long., on the west by 177°30' W. long., on the north by 28°25' N. lat., and on the south by 28°05' N. lat.

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§ 660.15 Prohibitions.

In addition to the prohibitions in § 600.725 of this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to:

(a) Engage in fishing without a valid permit or facsimile of a valid permit on board the vessel and available for inspection by an authorized officer, when a permit is required under § 660.13 or § 660.17, unless the vessel was at sea when the permit was issued under § 660.13, in which case the permit must be on board the vessel before its next trip.

(b) File false information on any application for a fishing permit under § 660.13 or an EFP under § 660.17.

(c) Fail to file reports in the exact manner required by any state law or regulation, as required in § 660.14.

(d) Falsify or fail to make, keep, maintain, or submit any logbook or logbook form or other record or report required under §§ 660.14 and 660.17.

(e) Refuse to make available to an authorized officer or a designee of the Regional Director for inspection or copying, any records that must be made available in accordance with § 660.14.

(f) Fail to affix or maintain vessel or gear markings, as required by §§ 660.16, 660.24, and 660.47.

(g) Violate a term or condition of an EFP issued under § 660.17.

(h) Fail to report any take of or interaction with protected species as required by § 660.17(k).

(i) Fish without an observer on board the vessel after the owner or agent of the owner has been directed by NMFS to make accommodations available for an observer under §§ 660.17, 660.28, 660.49, or 660.65.

(j) Refuse to make accommodations available for an observer when so directed by the Regional Director under § 660.28, § 660.49, or § 660.65, or under any provision in an EFP issued under § 660.17.

(k) Fail to notify officials as required in §§ 660.23, 660.28, 660.43, and 660.63.

§ 660.16 Vessel identification.

(a) Each fishing vessel subject to this subpart must display its official number on the port and starboard sides of the deckhouse or hull, and on an appropriate weather deck, so as to be visible from enforcement vessels and aircraft.

(b) The official number must be affixed to each vessel subject to this subpart and subparts C, D, E, and F of this part, in block Arabic numerals at least 18 inches (45.7 cm) in height for fishing and receiving vessels of 65 ft (19.8 m) LOA or longer, and at least 10 inches (25.4 cm) in height for all other vessels, except vessels subject to Subpart F and 65 ft (19.8 m) LOA or longer must be marked in block Arabic numerals at least 14 inches (35.6 cm) in height. Marking must be legible and of a color that contrasts with the background.

(c) The vessel operator must ensure that the official number is clearly legible and in good repair.

(d) The vessel operator must ensure that no part of the vessel, its rigging,