

MarinTrust Standard V2

By-product Fishery Assessment Skipjack tuna (Katsuwonus pelamis) in FAO 51: Western Indian Ocean

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Table 1 Application details and summary of the assessment outcome

	Species:	Skipjack tuna (Katsuwonus pelamis)	
	Geographical area:	FAO 51 Indian Ocean, Western	
Fishery Under Assessment	Country of origin of the product:	Flag country not supplied by client	
	Stock:	Skipjack tuna from FAO 51 Western Indian Ocean	
Date	4 August 2022		
Report Code	VNM15		
Assessor	Matthew Jew		
Country of origin of the product - PASS	Flag County not supplie	ed	
Country of origin of the product - FAIL	NA		

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Company Name(s): T.	C. Union Vietnam Co					
Country: Vietnam						
Email address:	Email address: Applicant Code:					
Certification Body Det	ails					
Name of Certification	ame of Certification Body: Global Trust Certification					
Assessor	Peer Reviewer	Assessment Days	Initial/Surveillance/ Re-approval			
Matthew Jew	Léa Lebechnech 0.5 Surveillance 1		Surveillance 1			
Assessment Period	Up to August 2022					

Scope Details	
Main Species	Skipjack Tuna (Katsuwonus pelamis)
Stock	Skipjack Tuna from FAO 51 Western Indian Ocean
Fishery Location	FAO 51 Western Indian Ocean
Management Authority	Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC)
(Country/ State)	
Gear Type(s)	Purse seine, longline, gillnet, baitboat
Outcome of Assessment	
Peer Review Evaluation	Agree with the assessor's recommendation of approval.
Recommendation	APPROVED

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Table 2. Assessment Determination

Assessment Determination

If any species is categorised as Endangered or Critically Endangered on IUCN's Red List, or if it appears in the CITES appendices, it cannot be approved for use as Marin trust raw material. Skipjack Tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*) do not appear as Endangered or Critically Endangered on IUCN's Red List, nor do they appear in CITES appendices; therefore, *Katsuwonus pelamis* is eligible for approval for use as Marin trust by-product raw material.

Skipjack Tuna in the Indian Ocean are considered to comprise a single stock for assessment and management purposes; therefore, this assessment covers that stock. Resolution 16/02 is the harvest control rule (HCR) that was agreed upon by the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC). Resolution 16/02 establishes target and limit biomass reference points. Thus, the stock is subject to a specific management regime and reference points are defined, therefore it was assessed under Category C.

Fishery removals are included in the stock assessment and it PASSES Clause C1.1. The stock is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have biomass above the limit reference point, it PASSES Clause C1.2.

Therefore, Skipjack Tuna in Subarea 51 (Western Indian Ocean) is **APPROVED** for the production of fishmeal and fish oil under the current MarinTrust v2.0 by-products.

Fishery Assessment Peer Review Comments

The internal peer reviewer agrees with the assessor's assessment, who correctly classified Western Indian Ocean Skipjack Tuna under category C, as reference points are defined to assess status of the stocks relative to.

Fishery removals are included in the stock assessment process so the stock PASSES Clause C1.1. The Indian Ocean Skipjack Tuna stock is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point. Therefore, it PASSES Clause C1.2.

Therefore, Skipjack Tuna from FAO 51, Western Indian Ocean, is APPROVED.

Notes for On-site Auditor

Determine which flag state(s) the plant is sourcing its Skipjack Tuna from.



Species Categorisation

NB: If any species is categorised as Endangered or Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red List, or if it appears in CITES Appendix 1, it **cannot** be approved for use as an MarinTrust raw material.

IUCN Red list Category

By-product material from a species listed by IUCN (the International Union for Conservation of Nature) under the Red List for the following categories shall immediately fail the assessment;

- EXTINCT (E) AND EXTINCT IN THE WILD (EW)
- CRITICALLY ENDANGERED (CR) facing an extremely high risk of extinction in the wild.
- ENDANGERED (EN) facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild.

By-product material may be used from the following categories provided that all clauses in the MarinTrust standard are passed.

- VULNERABLE (VU) facing a high risk of extinction in the wild.
- NEAR THREATENED (NT) does not qualify for above now, but is close or is likely to qualify for, a threatened category in the near future.
- LEAST CONCERN (LC) Widespread and abundant.
- DATA DEFICIENT (DD) and NOT EVALUATED (NE)

Table 3 Species Categorisation Table

Common name	Latin name	Stock	Management	Category	IUCN Red List Category ¹	CITES Appendix 1 ²
Skipjack Tuna	Katsuwonus	Skipjack Tuna in FAO		С	LC	No
	pelamis	51 Western Indian Ocean	Commission (IOTC)			

¹ <u>https://www.iucnredlist.org/</u>

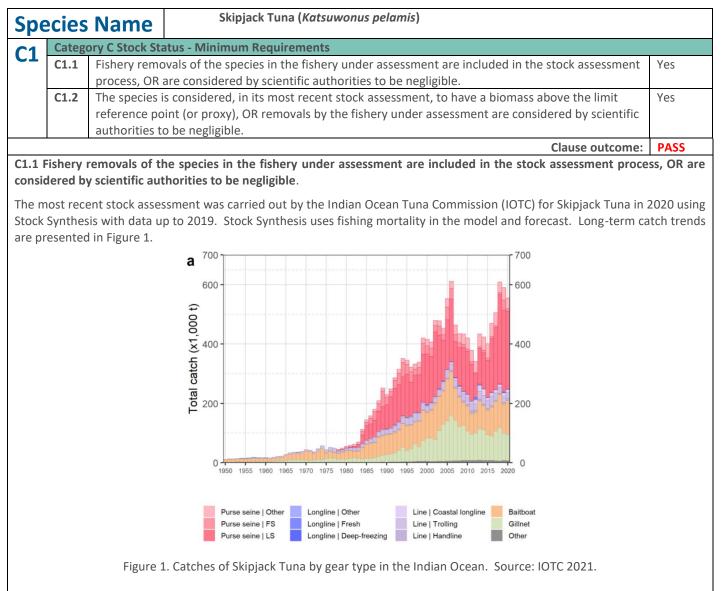
² https://cites.org/eng/app/appendices.php

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CATEGORY C SPECIES

In a by-product assessment, Category C species are those which are subject to a species-specific management regime and are usually targeted species in fisheries for human consumption.

Clause C1 should be completed for each Category C species. If there are no Category C species in the fishery under assessment, this section can be deleted. Where a species fails this Clause, it should be assessed as a Category D species instead.



Therefore, fishery removals of the stock, including from the fishery under assessment, are included in the stock assessment process. **The stock passes Clause C1.1.**

C1.2 The species is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point (or proxy), OR removals by the fishery under assessment are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.



The current spawning biomass was considered to be above the target reference point of 40% of SB₀, and above the limit reference point of 0.2*SB₀ as per Resolution 16/02. Resolution 16/02 was agreed upon by the IOTC in 2016 to be the harvest control rules for Skipjack Tuna in the IOTC area of competence.

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Table 1. Status of Skipjack Tuna (Katsuwonus pelamis) in the Indian Ocean.

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