General Introduction

MSC Standards and Certification Requirements

- With experts and following international consultation with stakeholders, the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) has developed standards for sustainable fishing and seafood traceability.
- The MSC Standards and Certification Requirements meet regional and global best practice guidelines for certification and eco-labelling programs.

Fiji Fisheries certification

Management System

The Fiji MSC Fisheries Standard sets out requirements that the Fiji albacore and yellowfin tuna longline fishery must meet to enable it to claim that its fish come from a well-managed and sustainable source.

Application of Fiji MSC Fisheries Standard

The Fiji MSC Fisheries Standard is aligned to the three core principles:

1. Principle 1: Sustainable target fish stocks
2. Principle 2: Environmental impact of fishing
3. Principle 3: Effective management

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MSC Checklist

The following documents must be submitted by the CoC’s upon application for certification:

- Copies of Logsheet for each trip
- Landing Summary for each trip
- Copy of Invoice
- Copy of Stock Sheet
- Packing List
- Bill of Lading
- Health Certificate

TOTAL MSC EXPORTS – 4 YEARS
Processing Timeline

The following processing timeline is followed by the verification team (MoF):

- 2-3 days advance application to allow officers to conduct verification checks and get back to CoCs’ if clarifications are needed.

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