LARGE MEDIUM & GIANT ATLANTIC BLUEFIN TUNA LANDING REPORT

Complete this report form as soon as you or your agent purchase or receive a large medium or giant bluefin tuna. Fax and mail the completed white form within 24 hours of purchasing or receiving the large medium or giant Atlantic bluefin tuna.

Dealer No. ☐☐☐☐ **Dealer Name** _____

Date Landed ☐☐ / ☐☐ / ☐☐
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Gear Used (check one)

☐ **Handline** ☐ **Harpoon** ☐ **Rod & Reel** ☐ **Longline**

☐ **Purse Seine** ☐ **Other** _____

Fork Length (IN.) ☐☐☐ ☐ **Curved** or ☐ **Straight**

☐ **Snout** or ☐ **Fin**

Exact Weight (lbs.) ☐☐☐☐ **Round and/or** ☐☐☐☐ **Dressed**

Identification Tag No. **BT90** ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Area Where Caught ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10

Port Where Landed
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Atlantic Tunas Dealer Permit Holder

Reporting Instructions for Atlantic Bluefin Tuna

An Atlantic Tunas Dealer Permit must be held to purchase an Atlantic bluefin tuna from a fishing vessel. (For further information on dealer permits call 978-281-9316 or go to http://www.nero.noaa.gov/permits/) Atlantic bluefin tuna may only be purchased from a fisherman holding an Atlantic Tunas Vessel Permit in the General, Charter/Headboat, Longline, Purse Seine or Harpoon categories, and any Atlantic bluefin tuna purchased must measure 73 inches curved fork length, or greater. An Atlantic Tunas Dealer Permit holder must report to National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) any Atlantic bluefin tuna purchased from a vessel within 24 hours. Federal regulations governing the purchase and sale of Atlantic bluefin tuna are located at 50 CFR Part 635.

Instructions for reporting Atlantic bluefin tuna purchased from a fisherman are outlined below. To obtain report forms or tags, please call 978-281-9260 or email BFTReporting@NOAA.gov . Further information and blank reporting forms are available at the following website: http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/index.htm.

Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Purchased from a Fisherman:

1. Fill out a *Large-Medium/Giant Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Landing Report* (Landing Card) for each bluefin tuna purchased from a vessel. Please print the information neatly as the form will be read electronically by a scanner. You must enter the information indicated below in the boxes or on the lines provided.

a. Enter your Atlantic Tuna Dealer Permit number and your company name.
b. Enter the date landed in the form mm/dd/yy.
c. Check a box for the type of gear used. If "other" enter the type of gear (e.g., trap, greenstick).
d. Enter the length measurement in inches (curved fork length is required) and check a box to indicate the type of measurement (curved or straight; snout or fin, see diagram on Page 2).
e. Enter the round weight in pounds, and/or the dressed weight in the appropriate boxes.
f. Place the tag on the narrow part of the tail between the fifth dorsal finlet and the caudal keel. All fish must be tagged with a tag issued by NMFS.
g. Enter the Identification Tag number. If the tag number begins with "ABT 05, you must cross out the "90" series number which is pre-filled on the report form and write in "05" above the crossed out "90."
h. Check a box to indicate the area caught (see attached maps).
i. Enter the City and State of the port where the fish was landed.
j. Enter the *Atlantic Tunas Vessel Permit* number of the vessel on which the fish was caught.
k. Print the name of the vessel.
l. Print the name of the vessel's master.
m. Vessel master's signature.
n. Enter date of vessel master's signature.

2. FAX the Landing Card to the following number immediately: 877-998-3739 A Landing Card must be faxed **within 24 hours** of purchasing or receiving the bluefin tuna.

3. Prepare a *Bi-Weekly Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Dealer Landings and Trade Report.* Bi-weekly reports must be received by NMFS within 10 days of the end of each bi-weekly reporting period. For specific information, please see the instructions on the reverse side of the bi-weekly report.

Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Exports:

If you export the Atlantic bluefin tuna yourself:

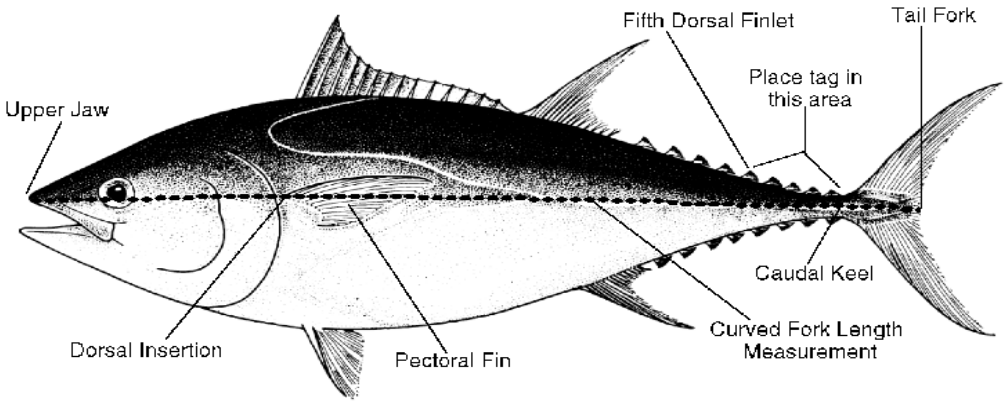
1. You must hold a Highly Migratory Species (HMS) International Trade Permit (ITP). The HMS ITP application may be obtained at http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/ITP/index.htm. or by calling 727-824-5326.

2. You must fill out an ICCAT bluefin tuna catch document (BCD) and transmit it with the export. BCDs should be filled out electronically using the web application at http://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/noaabcd/external/

If you sell an Atlantic bluefin tuna to an exporter: OR - "If a second dealer exports the Atlantic bluefin tuna"

1. The exporter will also need the following information from the Landing Card: date of landing, gear type, weight, tag number, Atlantic Tunas Vessel Permit number and vessel name. This information is necessary for the ICCAT BCD, which is required for export.

2. The exporter may ask you for a copy of your biweekly report because Federal regulations at 50 CFR 300.183(a)(3) allow exporters to retain a copy of the bi-weekly report submitted by the Atlantic Tunas Dealer rather than submitting a separate, additional bi-weekly report. Under this scenario, the exporter must provide you with any required information he possesses, such as BCD numbers, destination, and price, so your bi-weekly report can be accurately and entirely completed.



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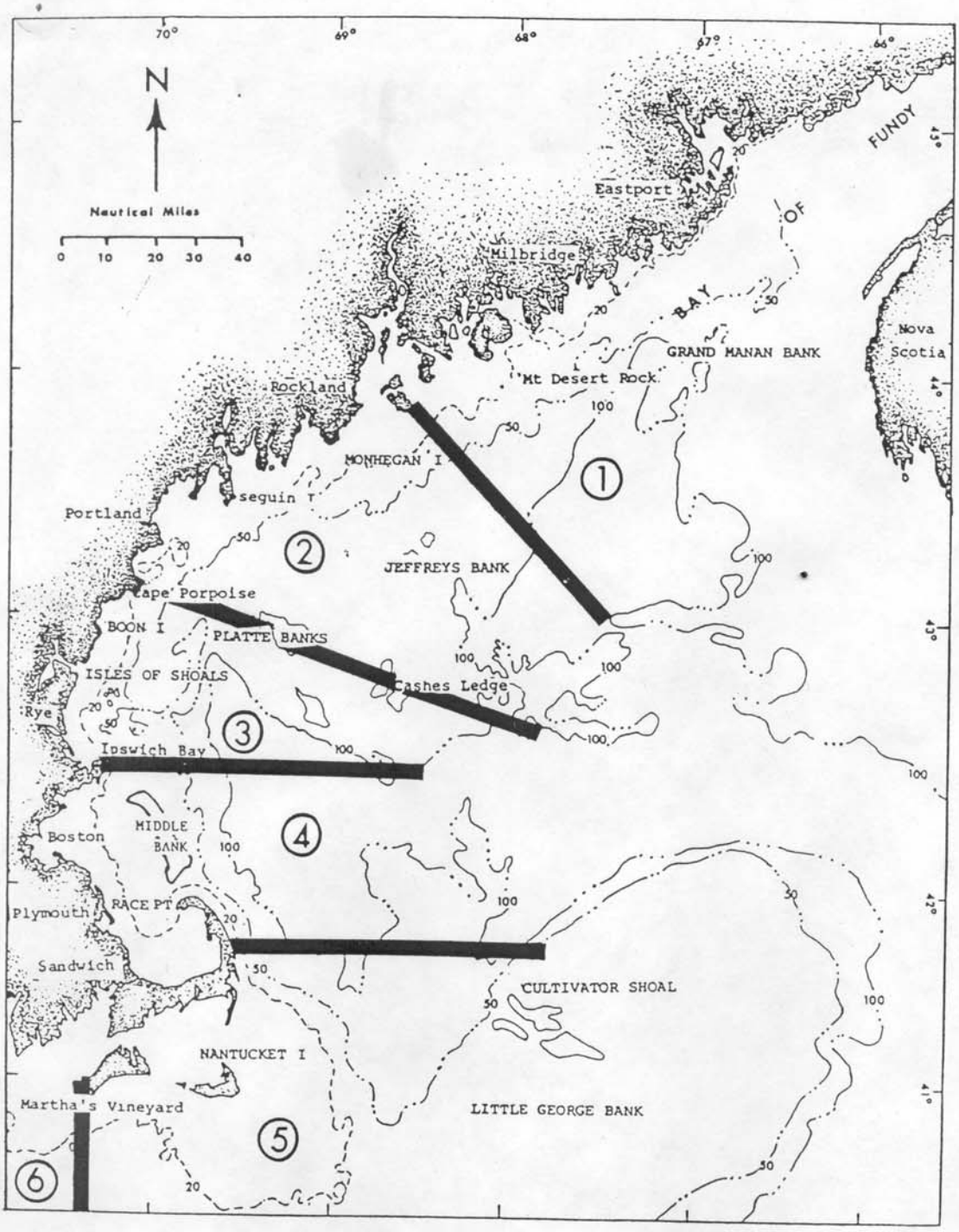
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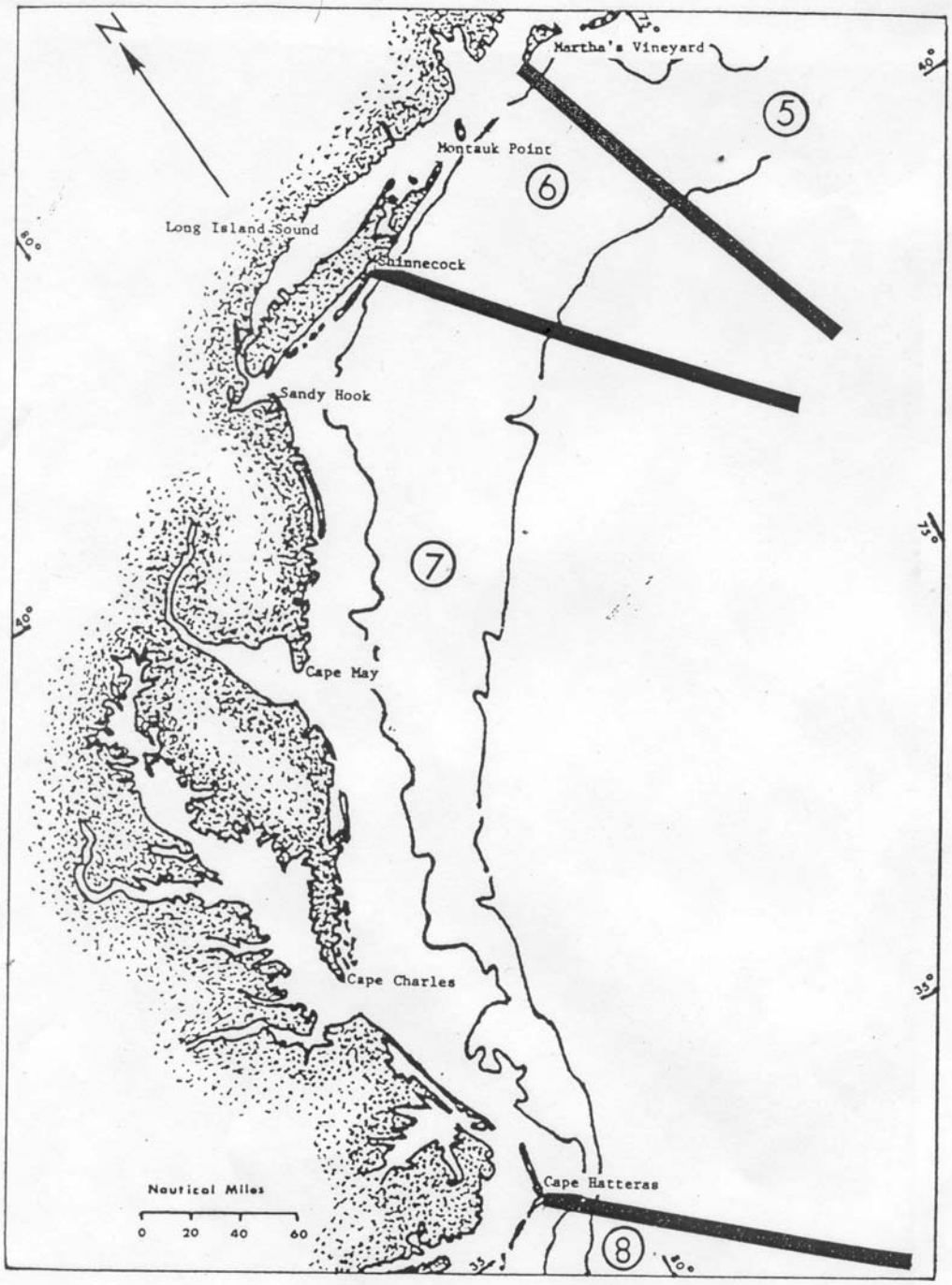
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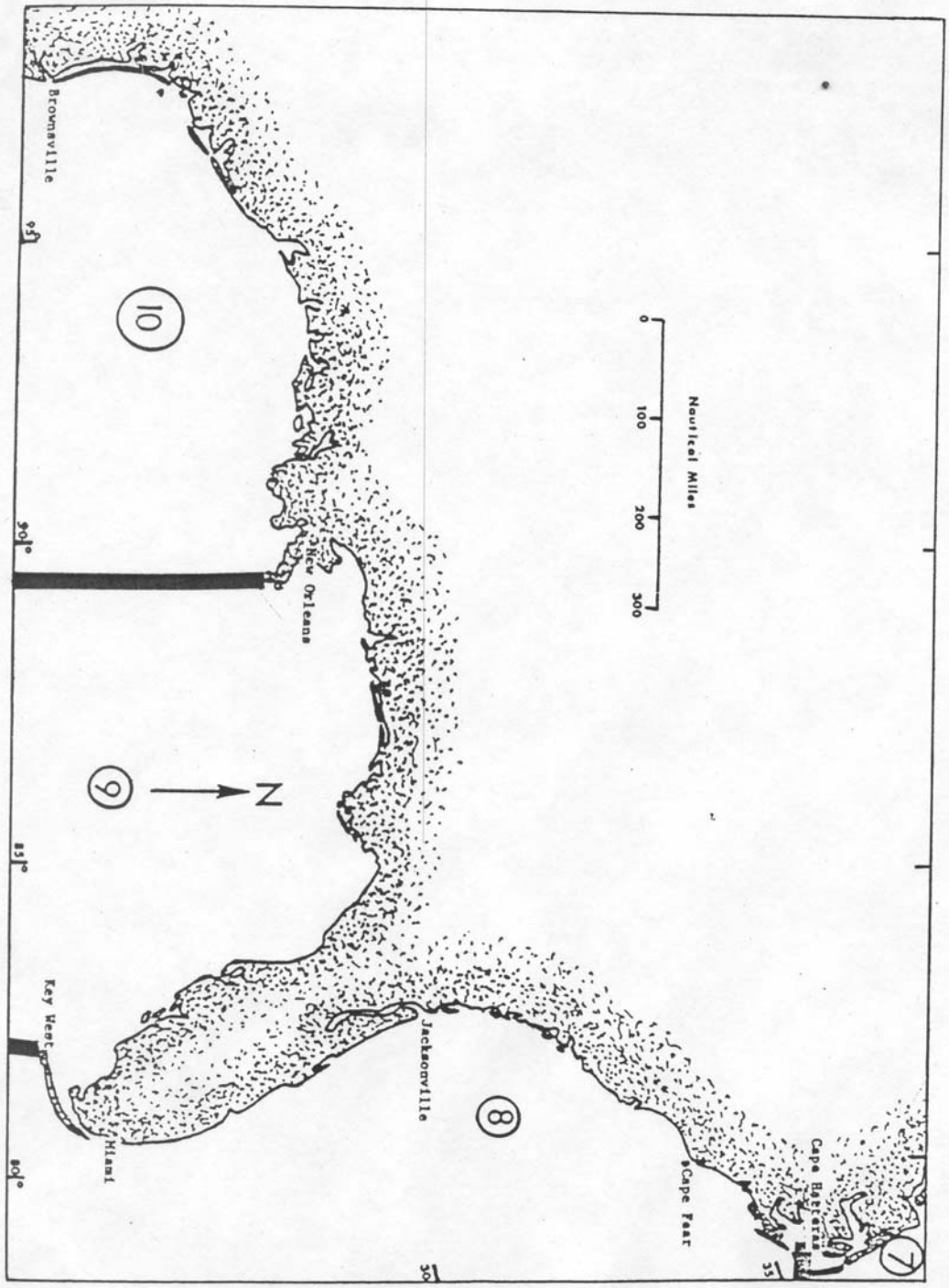
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