

2025-2026 Highlights

If you are a subscriber to this set, you are receiving a replacement set of volumes containing the year's updates. This important work is a comprehensive guide to the implementation of the U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea at the regional and national levels. Coverage explores areas of maritime laws and regulations adopted by countries to deal with such issues as boundaries, fishing, navigation, shipping, pollution, environmental protection, marine scientific research, and piracy. It contains regional agreements affecting environmental protection, fisheries management, marine scientific research, and technology information about new arrangements being developed in regions where none existed before. The set addresses the manner and methods adopted in implementing the U.N. Convention and illustrates the issues confronted—and the measure taken—by various countries.

This yearly release includes updates to:

- Statement of the Government of the People's Republic of China on the Baselines of the Territorial Sea Adjacent to the North Part of the Beibu Gulf (March 1, 2024) (§ 1:14)
- Malaysia: Withdrawal of Declaration relating to article 298 (August 16, 2023) (§ 2:15)
- Micronesia (Federated States of): Declaration under the Agreement under the Convention on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (June 19, 2023) (§ 2:44)
- Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission: Conservation and Management Measures:
 - CMM 2024-06 Conservation and Management Measure for the North Pacific Striped Marlin (superseding CMM 2010-01) (§ 2:113)
 - CMM 2024-05 Conservation and Management Measure for Sharks (§ 2:113)
 - Supersedes: CMM 2022-04 (§ 2:114)
 - CMM 2024-03 Conservation and Management Measure for the Charter Notification Scheme (§ 2:115)
 - Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission: Conservation and Management Measures--Supersedes: CMM 2021-04 (§ 2:116)
 - CMM 2024-02 Conservation and Management Measure for the Monitoring, Controlling and Surveillance of Pacific Bluefin Tuna (§ 2:117)
 - CMM 2024-01 Conservation and Management Measure for Pacific Bluefin Tuna (§ 2:118)
 - Supersedes: CMM 2023-02 (§ 2:119)

- Cook Islands-Kiribati: Exchange of letters of 10 November 2023 between the Cook Islands and the Republic of Kiribati constituting an agreement to amend Article 2(1), point ID 4, of the Agreement between the Government of the Cook Islands and the Government of the Republic of Kiribati concerning the delimitation of the maritime boundaries between the Cook Islands and the Republic of Kiribati (§ 2:146)
- Indonesia: Declaration under Article 298 of the Convention (§ 2:150)
- Papua New Guinea: Maritime Zones Act 2015 (No. 47 of 2015) (§ 3:17)
- Türkiye: Declaration under the Agreement under the Convention on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (June 19, 2023) (§ 5:21)
- Agreement on the delimitation of the maritime boundary between the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria and the Republic of Tunisia (July 11, 2011) (§ 6:23)
- Poland-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: Agreement between the Polish People’s Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on delimitation of the territorial sea (territorial waters), the economic zone, the maritime fishing zone and the continental shelf in the Baltic Sea, (July 17, 1985) (§ 7:7)
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: Declarations under the Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (Sept. 20, 2023) (§ 8:2)
- Luxembourg: Declaration under Article 287 of the Convention (Dec. 10, 1982; action effected Apr. 29, 2024) (§ 8:6)
- Chile: Declarations made upon ratification of the Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (Feb. 20, 2024) (§ 11:12)
- Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission: Resolutions adopted at its 102nd Meeting, Panama City, Panama (September 2-6, 2024):
 - C-24-11 Financing FY 2025 (§ 12D:76)
 - C-24-10 Climate change - Amends C-23-10 (§ 12D:77)
 - C-24-09 EMS Interim Minimum Standards (§ 12D:78)
 - C-24-08 Working group on Management Strategies Evaluation (§ 12D:79)
 - C-24-07 Regional Vessel Register - Amends C-18-06 (§ 12D:80)

2025-2026 HIGHLIGHTS

- C-24-06 FADs - Amends C-23-03 (amended C-99-07) (§ 12D:81)
- C-24-05 Sharks (§ 12D:82)
- C-24-04 South Pacific albacore (§ 12D:83)
- C-24-03 Bluefin tuna (monitoring and control) (§ 12D:84)
- C-24-02 Bluefin tuna (§ 12D:85)
- C-24-01 Tuna conservation in the EPO 2025-2026 (§ 12D:86)
- South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation: Conservation and Management Measures Adopted at the 13th Meeting of the Commission (February 17-21, 2025):
 - 7a CMM 01-2025 *Trachurus murphyi* (§ 12E:71)
 - 7b CMM 02-2025 Data Standards (§ 12E:72)
 - 7c CMM 03-2025 Bottom Fishing (§ 12E:73)
 - 7d CMM 03a-2025 Deepwater Species (§ 12E:74)
 - 7e CMM 04-2025 IUU Vessel List (§ 12E:75)
 - 7f CMM 04-2025 IUU Vessel List (§ 12E:76)
 - 7g CMM 07-2025 Port Inspections (§ 12E:77)
 - 7h CMM 14h Exploratory Toothfish Fishery (KOR) (§ 12E:78)
 - 7i CMM 14i Exploratory Toothfish Fishery (NZL) (§ 12E:79)
 - 7j CMM 16-2025 Observer Programme (§ 12E:80)
 - 7k CMM 18-2025 Squid (§ 12E:81)
- Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR):
 - Conservation Measure 10-03 Port inspections of fishing vessels carrying Antarctic marine living resources (§ 14:93)
 - Conservation Measure 25-02 Minimisation of the incidental mortality of seabirds in the course of longline fishing or longline fishing research in the Convention Area (§ 14:94)
 - Conservation Measure 25-03 Minimisation of the incidental mortality of seabirds and marine mammals in the course of trawl fishing in the Convention Area (§ 14:95)
 - Conservation Measure 32-09 Prohibition of directed fishing for *Dissostichus* spp. except in accordance with specific conservation measures in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:96)
 - Conservation Measure 33-02 Limitation of by-catch in Statistical Division 58.5.2 in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:97)
 - Conservation Measure 33-03 Limitation of by-catch in new and exploratory fisheries in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:98)
 - Conservation Measure 41-01 General measures for exploratory fisheries for *Dissostichus* spp. in the Convention Area in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:99)
 - Conservation Measure 41-03 Limits on the fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 48.4 in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:100)
 - Conservation Measure 41-04 Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Subarea 48.6 in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:101)

NEW DIRECTIONS IN THE LAW OF THE SEA: REGIONAL

- Conservation Measure 41-05 Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Division 58.4.2 in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:102)
- Conservation Measure 41-06 Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus eleginoides* on Elan Bank (Statistical Division 58.4.3a) outside areas of national jurisdiction in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:103)
- Conservation Measure 41-07 Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus mawsoni* on BANZARE Bank (Statistical Division 58.4.3b) outside areas of national jurisdiction in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:104)
- Conservation Measure 41-08 Limits on the fishery for *Dissostichus eleginoides* in Statistical Division 58.5.2 in the 2024/25 and 2025/26 seasons (§ 14:105)
- Conservation Measure 41-09 Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Subarea 88.1 in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:106)
- Conservation Measure 41-10 Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Subarea 88.2 in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:107)
- Conservation Measure 41-11 Limits for *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Division 58.4.1 in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:108)
- Conservation Measure 42-02 Limits on the fishery for *Champocephalus gunnari* in Statistical Division 58.5.2 in the 2024/25 and 2025/26 seasons (§ 14:109)
- Conservation Measure 51-01 Precautionary catch limitations on *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Subareas 48.1, 48.2, 48.3 and 48.4 (§ 14:110)
- Conservation Measure 51-02 Precautionary catch limitation on *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Division 58.4.1 (§ 14:111)
- Conservation Measure 51-03 Precautionary catch limitation on *Euphausia superba* in Statistical Division 58.4.2 (§ 14:112)
- Conservation Measure 51-04 General measure for exploratory fisheries for *Euphausia superba* in the Convention Area in the 2024/25 season (§ 14:113)
- Conservation Measure 51-06 General measure for scientific observation in fisheries for *Euphausia superba* (§ 14:114)
- Conservation Measure 91-01 Procedure for According Protection to CEMP Sites (§ 14:115)
- Conservation Measure 91-02 Protection of the values of Antarctic Specially Managed and Protected Areas (§ 14:116)