

Data Check Company Application

Data Check Company Criteria:

Any tuna supplier that has a published compliance audit report with respect to five specific ISSF conservation measures may become an ISSF Data Check Company. Those five ISSF conservation measures are:

[Conservation Measure 2.2 – Quarterly Data Submission to RFMO;](#)
[Conservation Measure 1.1 – Tuna RFMO Authorized Vessel Record;](#)
[Conservation Measure 4.1 – Unique Vessel Identifiers - IMO;](#)
[Conservation Measure 4.2 - Purse Seine Unique Vessel Identifiers;](#) and
[Conservation Measure 5.1 – Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated \(IUU Fishing\).](#)

Application Process:

- Complete application (attached)
- Submit Annual Dues for year 1 (\$5,000)

Data Check Company General Provisions and Terms & Conditions

General Provisions:

1. The classification of a “Data Check Company” is available to processors, marketers, traders of tuna.
2. The “Data Check Company” classification is not available for any company that is an ISSF Participating Company on December 31, 2019.

Terms and Conditions:

A company seeking to be classified as a “Data Check Company” for the purposes of ISSF CM 2.4 must make a written request to ISSF in which it agrees to the following terms:

- a. Data Check Companies must submit data for all tuna purchases following the requirements of ISSF CM 2.2.
- b. Data Check Companies must undergo annual audits by the ISSF external auditor for their compliance with ISSF CMs 2.2, 1.1, 4.1, 4.2, and 5.1 using the same audit protocol that is applied to ISSF Participating Companies for Conservation Measure 2.2, and for the other CMs, from this data. A processor

or trader in the IATTC convention area will not need to undergo an annual audit for compliance with ISSF CM 2.2 if it provides evidence of quarterly data submission to IATTC.

- c. An initial compliance audit will be conducted by the ISSF external auditor after two quarters of data reporting and continually annually thereafter.
- d. The audit reports of Data Check Companies will be made public on the ISSF website and must develop a remediation plan for any major non-conformances reported to retain Data Check Company status.
- e. Data Check Companies are required to pay a fee of \$5,000, determined by the ISSF Board of Directors and subject to annual review, in order to cover the audit costs.
- f. Failure to pay the fee within 60 days of invoice receipt will result in loss of Data Check Company status.



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Please fill out the following form completely and submit it with the appropriate signatures and the application fee to: info@iss-foundation.org

International Seafood Sustainability Association
1440 G Street NW, Washington D.C. 20005
+1 703-226-8101

APPLICANT _____

ORGANIZATION TYPE

(Example: partnership) _____

NATIONALITY / COUNTRY OF REGISTRATION

Co. Reg. Number _____

PRIMARY BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

(Example: processing of tuna products)

ALL MARKETS OF OPERATION / INVOLVEMENT:

COMPANY / ORGANIZATION CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Website _____

Address

City State/ Province Country Zip

PRIMARY CONTACT

Each application must include a primary point of contact within the applying organization

Name _____

Position _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Address

City State/ Province Country Zip

In the following table, please list all affiliates, joint ventures, parents and/ or subsidiaries or include the necessary information in an attachment.

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	NATURE OF BUSINESS

Below, please include brand names and labels along with the markets where each brand and/or label is sold or include the necessary information in an attachment.

BRAND / LABEL	MARKET(s)

I, _____, certify that all information herein is true and complete and that I have the authority to submit such an application and authorize the release of the above required information.

Signature _____

Printed Name _____

Position _____

Date _____