

AQUATIC RESOURCES AUTHORITY OF PANAMA INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES AFFAIRS

Technical Notice 029 - 2022

For:	Shipowners, Masters and Legal Representative / Resident Agents
On Behalf:	Technical Cooperation and International Fisheries Affairs
Subject:	Entry of Panama before the NEAFC Fisheries Commission
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The Aquatic Resources Authority informs Shipowners, Operators, Captains and Resident Agents that, the Republic of Panama as a Cooperating Non-Contracting Party (CNCP) of the Northeast Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) for the period 2022, opens the registration process of Panamanian refrigerated cargo vessels, of international service, with valid fishing license, in the registry of notified and authorized vessels of said Commission.

The fishing vessels that have an interest in carrying out operations within the Regulatory Area of the NEAFC and the use of ports within the Area of the Convention with species regulated by it and that have not been previously landed, will be subject to the compliance with the provisions of Resolution ADM/ARAP No. 002 of January 13, 2022, published in Official Gazette No. 29458-A (see attachment), which adopts the document entitled "Compliance Letter", and dictates other provisions appropriate to the requirements established by the Commission's Scheme of Control and Enforcement.

The Aquatic Resources Authority of Panama will ensure that all vessels interested in entering said areas and precincts must comply with domestic regulations, as well as the scheme, and the established conservation and management measures adopted by the Organization, by means of a Compliance Letter.

✓ **Important and Mandatory**

The Directorate of International Cooperation and High Seas Fisheries Affairs will be requesting updated information from the vessels through the Compliance Letter, prior to the registry of the vessels before this NEAFC Fisheries Commission.

Vessels that are detected in violative activities of the rules and recommendations established by the North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC), will be subject to the application of the current regulations as established by this Authority in sanctioning matters.

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