

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/72 of 22 January 2016 fixing for 2016 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, and amending Regulation (EU) 2015/104

TITLE II

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS

CHAPTER IV

Fishing opportunities in waters of regional fisheries management organisations

Section 5

IATTC Convention Area

Article 34

Prohibition of fishing for oceanic whitetip sharks

- 1 It shall be prohibited to fish for oceanic whitetip sharks (*Carcharhinus longimanus*) in the IATTC Convention Area, and to retain on board, to tranship, to store, to offer to sell, to sell or to land any part or whole carcass of oceanic whitetip sharks in that area.
- 2 When accidentally caught, the species referred to in paragraph 1 shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released by vessel operators.
- 3 Vessel operators shall:
 - a record the number of releases with indication of status (dead or alive);
 - b report the information specified in point (a) to the Member State of which they are nationals. Member States shall transmit the information collected during the previous year to the Commission by 31 January of the year in which this Regulation enters into force.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Council Regulation (EU) 2016/72. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Regulation revoked by [2023 c. 28 Sch. 1 Pt. 2](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Annex IA Text replacement by [EUR 2016/2285](#) Regulation