

*Information Bulletin*

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**COMPLETION AND SUBMISSION OF LOGBOOKS  
FOR THE U.S. COMMERCIAL HALIBUT FISHERIES**

The International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) has collected logbook information since the 1930s. The weight per unit effort, gear, and location information from the logbook is essential for the annual stock assessment and aids in determining the condition of the halibut resource. We have been successful in managing the halibut resource primarily because of cooperation from participating harvesters.

The information needed for our analysis is indicated on the sample log sheet. IPHC regulations require the operators of any vessel commercially fishing for halibut, that has an overall length of 26 feet or greater, to maintain a logbook. The exception is that vessels incidentally retaining halibut during the Area 2A salmon troll fishery are not required to maintain a halibut logbook. Please complete your IPHC approved log as accurately, legibly, and completely as possible. Written logs, with all the elements listed in the example, provide us with the best possible information. For the 2011 season, we will have samplers in the ports listed below:

Bellingham, WA	Dutch Harbor, AK	Homer, AK	Juneau, AK	Kodiak, AK
Newport, OR	Petersburg, AK	Saint Paul, AK	Sand Point, AK	Seward, AK
Sitka, AK				

Making your complete and legible log available to the port sampler is the most efficient way to provide accurate data for inclusion in the stock assessment. All detailed trip information obtained and retained by the IPHC is kept strictly confidential and cannot be subpoenaed under IPHC immunities. Your working directly with the port samplers allows us to clarify questions we may have regarding the details of the log information. It also allows harvesters to provide direct feedback to the Commission and an opportunity to have any questions answered. If you need a new logbook, one can be obtained from any port sampler or from the Seattle Office. At the end of the fishing season, if an IPHC port sampler has not already collected logbook information from some or all trips, please tear out the IPHC copy from your logbook, or make a copy of the information, and send it to the Seattle office.

Please refer to the next page for an example of a log sheet and the information we need for stock assessment. Please take care to print legibly and complete all required elements to ensure regulation compliance.

Thank you again for your continuing cooperation.

# IPHC HALIBUT LOGBOOK

Example



STATE VESSEL#: **12345**

VESSEL NAME: **FLÉTAN**

TRIP# **2** PAGE: **1** of **1**

Complete these boxes once for each trip

Captain's Name: <b>JOHN JONES</b>	
Crew Size (including Captain): <b>3</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if same name as above
IFQ# <b>1235</b>	Name: <b>MARY JONES</b>
IFQ# <b>2345</b>	Name: <b>MARY JONES</b>
IFQ#	Name:
CDQ (check one) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CDQ#:

GEAR ID	GEAR TYPE			LENGTH OF SKATE (feet)	HOOK	
	FIXED HOOK	SNAP	ROLL		Spacing (feet)	No. Per Skate
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			900	3	9
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			900	4	3
C						
D						

IPHC Initials/#: <b>CAPT.</b>	
Date: <b>3/12/2012</b>	
Sample Number:	
AREA 4 CLEARANCE NUMBER	
TO FISH <b>2011-4084</b>	TO OFFLOAD <b>2011-5097</b>

## RECORD BY STRING (Beginning and End)

CATCH DATE Year <b>2011</b>	TIME SET/HAULED (optional)	LOCATION				IPHC-Office Use Only
		BEGINNING OF STRING Lat Long	END OF STRING Lat Long	Beg/End DEPTH (Fath.)		
5 11		50°30.90'N 179°56.21'W	50°32.55'N 179°55.24'W	40-50		
5 11		50°31.76'N 179°55.81'W	50°32.63'N 179°53.48'W	115-139		
5 12		50°30.22'N 179°53.19'W	50°33.47'N 179°52.93'W	209-220		
5 12		50°29.10'N 179°55.73'W	50°32.18'N 179°55.46'W	220-282		
5 13		no fishing				
5 14		50°32.39'N 179°56.03'W	50°31.51'N 179°58.86'W	58-90		

SWIVELS (check one) Yes  No

TARGET SPECIES	Reason Code	LEGAL-SIZED HALIBUT LBS. DISCARDED IN EXCESS OF IQ	SABLEFISH SOLD (check one) Round Wt <input type="checkbox"/> Western cut <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern cut <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SABLE-FISH SET NUMBER (IPHC use)
hal		6020		
hal		10840		
BC		850	4200	
BC		1200	3950	
hal		7550	150	

Date of Sale month day	Dealer	Unloading Port	Port Code	Weight Sold
5 16	Island Cold Storage	Adak		26543

Gear	%	Hook Size	%
SS			
SN			

## COMMENTS:

IPHC will forward AK Sablefish information to Sablefish Assessment, Anake Bay Lab

*[Signature]*  
Capt. signature

Include if available

Retained Weight: (Personal Use) **28** Retained for future sale: (Code 87) **28**

Complete at trip end