

limitation groundfish as provided in this part without a groundfish license.

(iii) An eligible applicant, who qualifies for a groundfish license or crab species license but whose vessel on which the eligible applicant's qualification was based was lost or destroyed, will be issued a license. This license:

(A) Will have the vessel designation of the lost or destroyed vessel.

(B) Cannot be used to conduct directed fishing for license limitation groundfish or to conduct directed fishing for crab species on a vessel that has an LOA greater than the MLOA designated on the license.

(iv) A qualified person who owned a vessel on June 17, 1995, that made a documented harvest of license limitation groundfish, or crab species if applicable, between January 1, 1988, and February 9, 1992, but whose vessel was unable to meet all the criteria in paragraph (i)(4) of this section for a groundfish license or paragraph (i)(5) of this section for a crab species license because of an unavoidable circumstance (i.e., the vessel was lost, damaged, or otherwise unable to participate in the license limitation groundfish or crab fisheries) may receive a license if the qualified person is able to demonstrate that:

(A) The owner of the vessel at the time of the unavoidable circumstance held a specific intent to conduct directed fishing for license limitation groundfish or crab species with that vessel during a specific time period in a specific area.

(B) The specific intent to conduct directed fishing for license limitation groundfish or crab species with that vessel was thwarted by a circumstance that was:

(1) Unavoidable.

(2) Unique to the owner of that vessel, or unique to that vessel.

(3) Unforeseen and reasonably unforeseeable to the owner of the vessel.

(C) The circumstance that prevented the owner from conducting directed fishing for license limitation groundfish or crab species actually occurred.

(D) Under the circumstances, the owner of the vessel took all reasonable steps to overcome the circumstance that prevented the owner from con-

ducting directed fishing for license limitation groundfish or crab species.

(E) Any amount of license limitation groundfish or appropriate crab species was harvested on the vessel in the specific area that corresponds to the area endorsement or area/species endorsement for which the qualified person who owned a vessel on June 17, 1995, is applying and that the license limitation groundfish or crab species was harvested after the vessel was prevented from participating by the unavoidable circumstance but before June 17, 1995.

(v) A groundfish license or a crab species license may be used on a vessel that complies with the vessel designation on the license and that does not exceed the MLOA on the license.

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EFFECTIVE DATE NOTES: 1. At 62 FR 17752, Apr. 11, 1997, §679.4 was amended by adding a new paragraph (g), effective May 12, 1997 through June 30, 2000, except for paragraph (g)(1)(i) which is effective July 1, 1997 through June 30, 2000.

2. At 63 FR 47356, Sept. 4, 1998, §679.4 was amended in paragraph (f)(1) by removing the final "s" from the word "States" that follows the word "Alaska;" and by adding paragraphs (i) and (j), effective Oct. 5, 1998.

3. At 63 FR 52654, Oct. 1, 1998, §679.4 was amended by adding paragraphs (a)(6) and (i)(1), (i)(2), (i)(7), (i)(8)(i) and (ii), effective Jan. 1, 2000. Paragraphs (i)(3), (i)(4), (i)(5), (i)(6), (i)(8)(iii), and (i)(8)(iv) were added effective Jan. 1, 1999. At 63 FR 54753, Oct. 13, 1998, paragraph (i) was correctly designated as paragraph (k).

§679.5 Recordkeeping and reporting.

(a) *General requirements*—(1) *Applicability, Federal fisheries permit.* Except as provided in paragraphs (a)(1)(iii) and (iv) of this section, the following participants must comply with the recordkeeping and reporting requirements of this section:

(i) Any catcher vessel, mothership, catcher/processor, or tender vessel, 5 net tons or larger, that is required to have a Federal fisheries permit under §679.4.

(ii) Any shoreside processor, mothership, or buying station that receives groundfish from vessels issued a Federal fisheries permit under § 679.4. A shoreside processor, mothership, or buying station subject to recordkeeping and reporting requirements must report all groundfish and prohibited species received, including:

(A) Fish received from vessels not required to have a Federal fisheries permit.

(B) Fish received under contract for handling or processing for another processor.

(iii) *Exemption for vessels less than 60 ft LOA.* A catcher vessel less than 60 ft (18.3 m) LOA is not required to comply with recordkeeping and reporting requirements contained in § 679.5(a) through (j).

(iv) *Exemption for groundfish used as crab bait.* (A) Owners or operators of catcher vessels who take groundfish in crab pot gear for use as crab bait on board their vessels while participating in an open season for crab, and the bait is neither transferred nor sold, are exempt from Federal recordkeeping and reporting requirements contained in paragraphs (a) through (j) of this section.

(B) This exemption does not apply to fishermen who:

(1) Catch groundfish for bait during an open crab season and sell that groundfish or transfer it to another vessel, or

(2) Participate in a directed fishery for groundfish using any gear type during periods that are outside an open crab season for use as crab bait on board their vessel.

(C) No groundfish species listed by NMFS as “prohibited” in a management or regulatory area may be taken in that area for use as bait.

(2) *Applicability, Federal processor permit.* Any shoreside processor or vessel operating solely as a mothership in Alaska State waters that retains groundfish is responsible for complying with the applicable recordkeeping and reporting requirements of this section.

(3) *Responsibility.* (i) The operator of a catcher vessel, catcher/processor, mothership, or buying station receiving from a catcher vessel and delivering to a mothership (hereafter referred

to as the operator) and the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station receiving from a catcher vessel and delivering to a shoreside processor (hereafter referred to as the manager) are each responsible for complying with the applicable recordkeeping and reporting requirements of this section.

(ii) The owner of a vessel, shoreside processor, or buying station is responsible for compliance and must ensure that the operator, manager, or representative (see paragraph (b) of this section) complies with the requirements given in paragraph (a)(3)(i).

(iii) The signature of the owner, operator, or manager on the DFL, DCL, or DCPL is verification of acceptance of the responsibility required in paragraphs (a)(3)(i) and (ii) and must be signed by noon of the day following the week-ending date of the weekly reporting period.

(4) *Groundfish logbooks and forms.* The Regional Administrator will prescribe and provide groundfish logbooks and forms required under this section as shown in Table 9 to this part. The operator or manager must use these logbooks and forms or obtain approval from the Regional Administrator to use electronic versions of the logbooks and forms.

(5) *Participant identification information.* The operator or manager must record on all required records, reports, and logbooks, as appropriate:

(i) The name of the catcher vessel, catcher/processor, mothership, shoreside processor, or buying station as displayed in official documentation.

(ii) If a catcher vessel, the Federal fisheries permit number and ADF&G vessel number.

(iii) If a shoreside processor, the Federal processor permit number and ADF&G processor number.

(iv) If a buying station, the name and ADF&G vessel number (if a vessel) of the buying station, and the name, ADF&G processor code, and Federal processor permit number of associated shoreside processor, or the Federal fisheries permit number of the associated mothership.

(v) Except for a DFL, DCL, or DCPL, the following information describing a representative's identification: the representative's name, daytime business

telephone number (including area code), and fax or telex number. In addition, if completing a DPR, a VAR, or a mothership or catcher/processor PTR or check-in/check-out report, the representative's COMSAT number.

(vi) If a mothership or catcher/processor, the ADF&G processor code and Federal fisheries permit number.

(vii) Signature of owner, operator, or manager (see paragraph (a)(3)).

(6) *Maintenance of records.* (i) The operator or manager must maintain all records, reports, and logbooks in a legible, timely, and accurate manner; in English; if handwritten, in indelible ink; if computer-generated, in a printed paper copy; and based on A.I.t.

(ii) The operator or manager must account for each day of the fishing year in the logbook, starting with January 1 and ending with December 31. Time periods must be recorded consecutively in the logbook.

(iii) When applicable, the operator or manager must record in each report, form, and logbook the following information:

(A) *Page number.* (1) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(6)(iii)(A)(2) of this section, the operator or manager must number the pages in each logbook consecutively, beginning with page 1 and continuing throughout the logbook for the remainder of the fishing year. If more than one logbook is used in a fishing year, the page numbers should follow the consecutive order of the previous logbook.

(2) The manager of a shoreside processor must number the DCPL pages within Part I and Part II separately, beginning with page 1.

(B) *Date,* presented as month-day-year.

(1) If a catcher vessel and the logsheet contains records for more than one day, enter the first day of the logsheet at the top of the logsheet and the date of each day in the "catch" and "discard/donate" sections of the DFL.

(2) If a shoreside processor, enter the week-ending date of the weekly reporting period at the top of the logsheet and the date of each day of the week in the "landings" and "discard/donate" sections of the DCPL.

(C) *Time,* in military format to the nearest hour, A.I.t.

(D) *Position coordinates,* latitude and longitude to the nearest minute (optional: record to the nearest second or fraction of minute).

(E) *Original/revised report.* Except for a DFL, DCL, or DCPL, if a report is the first one submitted to the Regional Administrator for a given date, gear type, and reporting area, the report should be labeled, "ORIGINAL REPORT." If a report is a correction to a previously submitted report for a given date, gear type, and reporting area, the report should be labeled, "REVISED REPORT."

(7) *Active and inactive periods*—(i) Each day of fishing year. Account for each day of the fishing year in the DFL, DCL, or DCPL by checking the appropriate box to indicate active and inactive periods as defined under §679.2.

(ii) *Separate logsheet.* (A) If a mothership, catcher/processor, or buying station, use a separate logbook page for each day of an active period.

(B) If a catcher vessel, use a separate logbook page for each day or use one logbook page for up to 7 days.

(C) If a shoreside processor, use a separate logbook page for each day or use one logbook page for up to 7 days.

(iii) *Inactive period.* (A) Indicate in the DFL, DCL, or DCPL on one logbook page the first and last day of an inactive period.

(B) During an inactive period that extends across two or more successive quarters, the operator or manager must complete two logsheets: The one to indicate the last day of the first inactive quarter and the next page to indicate the first day of the second inactive quarter.

(iv) *Fishing activity.* Indicate in the DFL, DCL, or DCPL all fishing activity, which is defined for each type of vessel as follows:

(A) If a catcher vessel—harvest or discard of groundfish.

(B) If a catcher/processor—harvest, discard, or processing of groundfish.

(C) If a mothership or shoreside processor—receipt, discard, or processing of groundfish.

(D) If a buying station—receipt, discard, or delivery of groundfish.

(v) *Active and conducting fishing activity.* If in an active period and conducting fishing activity, the operator or

manager must record in the DFL, DCL, or DCPL:

(A) *Gear type.* The gear type used to harvest the groundfish.

(1) If a catcher vessel or catcher/processor and using hook-and-line gear, the average number of hooks per skate.

(2) If a mothership or shoreside processor and groundfish shipment is received from a different processor through the use of a PTR, circle "PTR TRANSFER."

(3) If gear type is not an authorized fishing gear, circle "OTHER."

(4) If a mothership and groundfish are received in the same reporting area but were harvested with more than one gear type or if a catcher/processor and groundfish were caught in the same reporting area using more than one gear type, the operator must use a separate page in the DCPL for each gear type and must submit a separate check-in/check-out report, DPR (if required), and WPR for each gear type.

(5) If a shoreside processor and groundfish are received from the same reporting area but were harvested with more than one gear type, the manager must:

(i) Use a separate page in the DCPL for each gear type.

(ii) Except for gear type "PTR TRANSFER," submit a separate check-in/check-out report, DPR (if required), and WPR for each gear type. The manager must not use the gear type "PTR TRANSFER" on a WPR.

(B) *Reporting Area.* The reporting area code where gear retrieval was completed (see Figures 1 and 3 to this part).

(1) If a haul or set occurs in more than one reporting area, record the reporting area code where gear retrieval was completed, regardless of where the majority of the haul or set took place.

(2) If a catcher vessel or catcher/processor using trawl gear, record whether catch was harvested in the COBLZ or in the RKCSA.

(i) If recording in DFL or DCPL, use two separate pages, the first to record the information from the reporting area that includes the COBLZ or RKCSA and the second to record the information from the reporting area that does not include the COBLZ or RKCSA.

(ii) If recording on a WPR, use two separate columns to record the part of the same reporting area that includes the COBLZ or RKCSA and the part that does not include the COBLZ or RKCSA.

(3) If a catcher/processor using trawl gear and recording on a check-in/check-out report, the operator must submit a separate check-in/check-out report to record the part of the same reporting area that includes the COBLZ or RKCSA and the part that does not include the COBLZ or RKCSA area.

(C) *Observers.* Except for a buying station, the number of observers aboard or on site.

(D) *Number of crew.* Except for a shoreside processor, the number of crew, excluding certified observer(s), on the last day of the weekly reporting period.

(E) *CDQ.* Whether harvest is under a CDQ program; if yes, record the CDQ number. If fishing under more than one CDQ number, use a separate page for each.

(vi) *Active, no fishing activity—(A) Catcher vessel.* If a catcher vessel, in an active period, and not harvesting or discarding groundfish, the operator must check "ACTIVE, NOT FISHING" in the DFL and briefly describe the reason.

(B) *Catcher/processor.* If a catcher/processor, in an active period, and not harvesting, discarding, or processing groundfish, the operator must record "ACTIVE, NOT FISHING" in the DCPL and briefly describe the reason.

(C) *Mothership or shoreside processor.* If a mothership or shoreside processor, in an active period, and not receiving, discarding, or processing groundfish, the operator or manager must record "NO RECEIVING OR PROCESSING ACTIVITY" in the DCPL and briefly describe the reason.

(D) *Buying station.* If a buying station, in an active period, and not receiving, discarding, or delivering groundfish, the operator or manager must record "NO RECEIVING OR DELIVERING ACTIVITY" in the DCL and briefly describe the reason.

(8) *Landings information—(i) General.* The manager of a shoreside processor must:

(A) Record and report groundfish landings by species codes and product codes as defined in Tables 1 and 2 to this part for each reporting area, gear type, COBLZ or RKCSA area if applicable under paragraph (a)(7)(v)(B) of this section, and CDQ number.

(B) If recording landings on a WPR or DPR, report each groundfish landing only in metric tons to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

(C) If no landings occurred, write "NO LANDINGS" for that day.

(ii) *DCPL*. The manager of a shoreside processor must record in the DCPL:

(A) *Daily landings*. The daily combined scale weight of landings retained for processing from a catcher vessel or from any associated buying station, to the nearest lb or to at least the nearest 0.001 mt. Use a check mark in the appropriate box to indicate whether records are in lbs or in metric tons.

(B) *Weekly landings*. At the end of each weekly reporting period, enter for each species and product code the cumulative total scale weight of landings for that week, summarized separately by reporting area, gear type, COBLZ or RKCSA area if applicable under paragraph (a)(7)(v)(B) of this section, and CDQ number. The cumulative total weight is calculated by adding the daily totals for that week.

(9) *Product Information*—(i) *General*. The operator of a catcher/processor or motherhip or the manager of a shoreside processor must:

(A) Record and report groundfish products by species codes, product codes, and product designations as defined in Tables 1 and 2 to this part for each reporting area, gear type, COBLZ or RKCSA area if applicable under paragraph (a)(7)(v)(B) of this section, and CDQ number.

(B) If recording products on a WPR or DPR or recording products shipped or received on a PTR, the operator or manager must report each groundfish product only in metric tons to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

(C) If no production occurred, write "NO PRODUCTION" for that day.

(ii) *DCPL*. The operator or manager must record in the DCPL:

(A) *Daily production*. The daily total, balance brought forward (except for

shoreside processors), and cumulative total fish product weight for each groundfish product to the nearest lb or to at least the nearest 0.001 mt. Use a check mark in the appropriate box to indicate whether records are in lbs or in metric tons.

(B) *Weekly production*. At the end of each weekly reporting period, enter for each species and product code the cumulative total fish product weight for each groundfish product to the nearest lb or to at least the nearest 0.001 mt, summarized separately by reporting area, gear type, COBLZ or RKCSA area if applicable under paragraph (a)(7)(v)(B) of this section, and CDQ number. The cumulative total fish product weight is calculated by adding the daily totals and total carried forward (except for a Shoreside Processor DCPL) for that week.

(iii) *Beginning of weekly reporting period*. At the beginning of each weekly reporting period, the amount is zero, and nothing shall be carried forward from the previous weekly reporting period.

(10) *Discarded or donated species information*. The operator or manager must record or report discards or donations as follows:

(i) *General*. (A) Record and report prohibited species (see §679.21(b)) and groundfish discards or donations by species and product codes as defined in Tables 1 and 2 to this part for each reporting area, gear type, COBLZ or RKCSA area if applicable under paragraph (a)(7)(v)(B) of this section, and CDQ number.

(B) If recording discards or donations on a WPR or DPR, the manager or operator must record:

(1) The weekly cumulative total discard or donation for each species and product code of groundfish species, groundfish species group, or Pacific herring in metric tons to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

(2) The weekly cumulative total estimated numbers of discard or donation for each species and product code of Pacific salmon, steelhead trout, halibut, king crab, and Tanner crab.

(C) If there were no discards or donations, write "NO DISCARDS," "0," or "ZERO" for that day.

(ii) *Logbook*—(A) *Groundfish and herring*. For each discard or donation of groundfish, groundfish species groups, and Pacific herring, record in the DCPL, DCL, or DFL the date of discard, the estimated daily total, balance brought forward (except for shoreside processor DCPL), and cumulative total estimated fish discards or donations weight to the nearest lb or to at least the nearest 0.001 mt for each fishing trip. Use a check mark in the appropriate box to indicate whether records are in lbs or in metric tons.

(B) *Prohibited species other than herring*. For each discard or donation of Pacific salmon, steelhead trout, halibut, king crab, and Tanner crab, record in the DFL, DCL, or DCPL, the date of discard, the estimated daily total, balance brought forward (except for shoreside processor DCPL), and cumulative total estimated numbers for discards or donations for each fishing trip.

(C) *Cumulative totals*. At the end of each fishing trip, calculate the cumulative total by adding the daily total and balance forward (except for a Shoreside Processor DCPL), summarized separately by reporting area, gear type, COBLZ or RKCSA area if applicable under paragraph (a)(7)(v)(B) of this section, and CDQ number.

(D) *Beginning of weekly reporting period*. At the beginning of each weekly reporting period, the amount is zero, and nothing shall be carried forward from the previous weekly reporting period.

(11) *Contract processing*. The manager of a shoreside processor or operator of a mothership who receives groundfish to be handled or processed under contract for another processor or business entity must report these fish to the Regional Administrator consistently throughout a fishing year using one of the following two methods:

(i) *Combined records*. Record landings (if applicable), discards, and products of contract-processed groundfish routinely in the DCPL, WPR, or DPR without separate identification; or

(ii) *Separate records*. Record landings (if applicable), discards, and products of contract-processed groundfish in a separate DCPL, WPR, or DPR identified by the name, Federal processor permit number or Federal fisheries per-

mit number, and ADF&G processor code of the associated business entity.

(12) *Alteration of records*. (i) The operator, manager, or any other person may not alter or change any entry or record in a logbook, except that an inaccurate or incorrect entry or record may be corrected by lining out the original and inserting the correction, provided that the original entry or record remains legible.

(ii) No person except an authorized officer may remove any original page of any logbook.

(13) *Inspection of records*. The operator or manager must make all logbooks, reports, and forms required under this section available for inspection upon the request of an authorized officer.

(14) *Submittal, retention, and distribution of logbooks and forms*—(i) *Submittal of forms*. Forms other than logbooks and mothership fish tickets may be submitted by the operator or manager by:

(A) Using the NMFS printed form and faxing it to the fax number on the form; or

(B) Transmitting a data file with required information and forms to NMFS by modem or satellite (specifically INMARSAT standards A, B, or C).

(ii) *Submittal of logbooks*. (A) For recordkeeping and reporting in the groundfish fisheries of the EEZ off Alaska, the operator of a catcher vessel, mothership, catcher/processor, or of a buying station delivering to a mothership, or the manager of a shoreside processor or of a buying station delivering to a shoreside processor is required to use the logbooks issued per paragraph (a)(4) of this section, retain the logbooks per paragraph (a)(14)(vii) of this section, and submit the logbooks and logsheets to NMFS per paragraphs (a)(14)(iv), (v), and (vi) of this section.

(B) The operator or manager of a buying station must maintain a separate DCL for each mothership or shoreside processor to which the buying station delivers groundfish during a fishing year.

(iii) *Logbook descriptions*. The copy sets of each logbook are described below:

(A) *Catcher vessel DFL*. White, blue, and yellow copies.

(B) *Catcher/processor DCPL*. White and yellow copies.

(C) *Mothership DCPL*. White and yellow copies.

(D) *Shoreside processor DCPL*. White and yellow copies.

(E) *Buying station DCL*. White, pink, and yellow copies.

(iv) *Logsheet distribution and retention*. The operator or manager must distribute or retain the multiple copies of each logsheet as follows:

(A) *White, original logsheet*. The white copy remains permanently in the logbook.

(B) *Yellow logsheet—(1) DFL or DCPL*. The yellow DFL or DCPL copy is submitted to NMFS per paragraphs (a)(14)(v) and (vi) of this section.

(2) *DCL—(1) Buying station*. The operator or manager of a buying station must submit upon delivery of catch the yellow DCL copy to the associated mothership or shoreside processor, along with the ADF&G fish tickets for that delivery.

(ii) *Mothership or shoreside processor*. The operator or manager of the associated mothership or shoreside processor receiving a delivery from a buying station must submit the yellow DCL copy to NMFS per paragraphs (a)(14)(v) and (vi) of this section after photocopying each DCL yellow copy. The manager or operator of the associated mothership or shoreside processor must retain these photocopies until the original DCL is received from the associated buying station at the conclusion of fishing or no later than February 1 of the following fishing year.

(C) *Blue discard logsheet, DFL—(1) Catcher vessel*. Except when delivering an unsorted codend (see paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this section), the operator of a catcher vessel must submit the blue DFL copy to the buying station, mothership, or shoreside processor that receives the groundfish harvest.

(2) *Buying station*. The operator or manager of a buying station must submit upon delivery of catch to an associated mothership or shoreside processor any blue DFL copies received from catcher vessels delivering groundfish to the buying station.

(3) *Mothership or shoreside processor*. The operator of a mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor must

retain the blue DFL copies submitted by operators of catcher vessels through the last day of the fishing year during which the records were made.

(D) *Pink logsheet, DCL*. The operator or manager of a buying station must retain the pink DCL copies for each associated mothership or shoreside processor for 3 years after the end of the fishing year during which the records were made.

(v) *Logsheet submittal address*. The yellow copies described in paragraph (a)(14)(iv)(B) of this section must be submitted on a quarterly basis to: NMFS Office of Enforcement, Alaska Region Logbook Program, P.O. Box 21767, Juneau, AK 99802-1767.

(vi) *Yellow logsheet submittal schedule*. The yellow copies described in paragraph (a)(14)(iv)(B) of this section must be submitted to NMFS on the following schedule: Yellow copies from the first quarter, by May 1 of that fishing year; yellow copies from the second quarter, by August 1 of that fishing year; yellow copies from the third quarter, by November 1 of that fishing year; and yellow copies from the fourth quarter, by February 1 of the following fishing year.

(vii) *Retention of logbooks and forms*. (A) The operator of a catcher vessel must retain the original (white) copy of all DFLs per paragraph (a)(14)(vii)(E) of this section.

(B) The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor must retain the white copy of all DCPLs per paragraph (a)(14)(vii)(E) of this section.

(C) The operator of a mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor must retain the white copy of the DCL from each associated buying station per paragraph (a)(14)(vii)(E) of this section.

(D) The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor must retain a paper copy of all forms submitted to NMFS, including those forms that were originally submitted electronically per paragraph (a)(14)(vii)(E) of this section.

(E) The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor must make the logbook copies and paper forms required in paragraphs (a)(14)(vii)(A)

through (D) of this section available for inspection by an authorized officer:

(1) On site until the end of the fishing year during which the records were made and for as long thereafter as fish or fish products recorded in the logbooks and forms are retained.

(2) For 3 years after the end of the fishing year during which the records were made.

(15) *Delivery information for buying station, mothership, and shoreside processor.* The operator of a mothership or buying station delivering to a mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station delivering to a shoreside processor must record the following information in the “delivery information section” of the Buying Station DCL, Mothership DCPL, or Shoreside Processor DCPL:

(i) If groundfish delivery was made by a catcher vessel or buying station, write “CV” or “BS,” respectively.

(ii) If groundfish delivery was made by another processor, record:

(A) A dash (—) in the CV/BS column, in the receive/discard column, and in the fish ticket column.

(B) Name and ADF&G code of the processor that delivered the groundfish.

(C) Time the delivery was completed.

(D) Estimated total round weight of the groundfish. Option: Record actual weights by species, if known.

(iii) If groundfish delivery is from a catcher vessel, whether the blue DFL copies were submitted at time of delivery. If not submitted, record the response “NO” and a “P” to indicate the catcher vessel does not have a Federal fisheries permit; an “L” to indicate the catcher vessel is under 60 ft (18.3 m) length overall (LOA); or a “U” to indicate the catcher vessel delivered an unsorted codend. If a catcher vessel is under 60 ft (18.3 m) LOA and also does not have a Federal fisheries permit, record a “P.”

(iv) Name and ADF&G vessel number (if applicable) of the catcher vessel or buying station delivering the groundfish.

(v) Date and time (to the nearest hour, A.l.t.) when receipt of groundfish catch is completed.

(vi) If a mothership, latitude and longitude (to the nearest minute) of the

mothership position when the groundfish catch is received. Option: Record to nearest second or fraction of minute.

(vii) Estimated total groundfish delivery weight of the groundfish catch to the nearest lb or to the nearest mt.

(viii) ADF&G fish ticket numbers issued to catcher vessels for the weekly reporting period, including the fish ticket numbers issued by an associated buying station.

(ix) If a shoreside processor and located in a state other than Alaska, the manager must record the fish ticket number issued through that state. If a state fish ticket system is unavailable, the manager must record the catch receipt number.

(x) If a buying station, the name and ADF&G processor code of the associated mothership or shoreside processor to which groundfish deliveries were made.

(b) *Representative.* The operator of a catcher vessel, mothership, catcher/processor, or buying station delivering to a mothership or manager of a shoreside processor or buying station delivering to a shoreside processor may identify one person to fill out and sign the logbook, to complete the record-keeping and reporting forms, and to identify the contact person for inquiries from NMFS. Designation of a representative under this paragraph does not relieve the owner, operator, or manager of responsibility for compliance under paragraph (a)(3) of this section.

(c) *Catcher vessel DFL and catcher/processor DCPL.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher vessel or catcher/processor must record:

(1) *Pair trawls.* If two catcher vessels are dragging a trawl between them (pair trawl), a separate DFL must be maintained by each vessel. Each vessel operator must log the amount of the catch retained by that vessel and any fish discarded by the vessel.

(2) *Time limit and submittal*—(i) *Catcher vessel DFL.* The operator of a catcher vessel must record in the DFL:

(A) The time, position, and estimated total catch weight of groundfish within 2 hours after gear retrieval.

(B) Discard or donation information as described at paragraph (a)(10) of this section each day on the day they occur; all other information required in the DFL by noon of the day following gear retrieval.

(C) Notwithstanding other time limits, all information required in the DFL within 2 hours after the vessel's catch is offloaded.

(D) Except as provided at paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this section, within 2 hours of completion of catch delivery information, the operator must submit the blue DFL copies with delivery of the harvest to the operator of a mothership or a buying station delivering to a mothership, or to the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station delivering to a shoreside processor.

(ii) *Catcher/processor DCPL.* The operator of a catcher/processor must record in the DCPL, for each haul or set:

(A) The time, position, and estimated total catch weight of groundfish within 2 hours after gear retrieval.

(B) Product and discard or donation information as described at paragraphs (a)(9) and (a)(10) of this section each day on the day they occur; all other information required in the DCPL by noon of the day following completion of production.

(C) Notwithstanding other time limits, record all information required in the DCPL within 2 hours after the vessel's catch is offloaded.

(3) *Haul/set information.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher vessel or catcher/processor must record the following information for each haul or set:

(i) The number of haul or set, sequentially by year;

(ii) If the vessel is using hook-and-line gear, the number of skates set. If the vessel is using longline pot or single pot gear, the total number of pots set;

(iii) The date (month-day-year), begin time (to the nearest hour) and position coordinates (to the nearest minute) of gear deployment;

(iv) The date (month-day-year), end time (to the nearest hour), and position coordinates (to the nearest minute) of gear retrieval;

(v) The average sea depth and average gear depth, recorded to the nearest meter or fathom;

(vi) The estimated total round catch weight of the groundfish catch in lbs or to the nearest mt. If fishing in IFQ halibut fishery, enter the estimated total weight of groundfish bycatch;

(vii) The round catch weight of pollock and Pacific cod;

(viii) If fishing in an IFQ fishery, the estimated round catch weight of IFQ sablefish;

(ix) If fishing in an IFQ fishery, the round catch weight of rockfish and Pacific cod; and

(x) When fishing in an IFQ fishery and the fishery for Pacific cod or rockfish is closed to directed fishing in that reporting area as described in § 679.20, the operator must record up to and including the maximum retainable bycatch amount for Pacific cod or rockfish as defined in Table 10 or 11 to this part; quantities over this amount must be recorded in the discard or donation section.

(4) *Catcher vessel delivery information.* The operator of a catcher vessel must record:

(i) The date of delivery.

(ii) The name, ADF&G processor code, and ADF&G fish ticket number(s) provided by the operator of the mothership or of the buying station delivering to a mothership, or by the manager of a shoreside processor or of a buying station delivering to a shoreside processor.

(5) *IFQ data.* The operator of a catcher vessel or catcher/processor using fixed gear must record IFQ information as follows:

(i) *IFQ Identification.* (A) Check "YES" or "NO" to record if persons aboard have authorized IFQ permits.

(B) If "YES," record the following:

(1) Vessel operator's (captain's) name and IFQ permit number, if any.

(2) Name of each IFQ holder aboard the vessel and each holder's IFQ permit number.

(ii) *IFQ landings.* If IFQ landings are made, the operator must record the following:

(A) Month and day of landing.

(B) Name of registered buyer.

(C) Name of unloading port.

(6) *Discard or donation information, catcher vessel.* In addition to the requirements in paragraph (a)(10) of this section, the operator of a catcher vessel must record in the DFL:

(i) *Unsorted codends.* If deliveries to a mothership or shoreside processor are unsorted codends, the catcher vessel is exempt from recording discards in the DFL and from submittal of the blue DFL copy (discards copy) for that delivery (see paragraph (a)(14)(iv)(C) of this section). The operator must check the box entitled “unsorted codend” and must remove and discard the blue DFL copy.

(ii) *Presorted delivery.* Except as provided at §679.27(d), if the deliveries of a catcher vessel are presorted at sea or if the catcher vessel has “bled” a codend prior to delivery to a mothership, shoreside processor, or buying station, the operator must:

(A) Check the “presorted delivery” box.

(B) Enter the estimated amount of discards or donations by species in the DFL.

(d) *Buying station DCL—(1) General.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator or manager of a buying station must record discard or donation information in the DCL that:

(i) Are reported on a blue DFL copy by a catcher vessel delivering to a buying station.

(ii) Occur after receipt of harvest from a catcher vessel.

(iii) Occur prior to delivery of harvest to a mothership or shoreside processor.

(2) *Time limits.* The operator or manager of a buying station must record:

(i) Catcher vessel “delivery information” within 2 hours after completion of receipt of each groundfish delivery.

(ii) Discard or donation information as described at paragraph (a)(10) of this section:

(A) Each day on the day discards or donations occur:

(1) After receipt of harvest from a catcher vessel is completed; and

(2) Prior to delivery of harvest to a mothership or shoreside processor.

(B) On the day the blue DFL copy is received from a catcher vessel delivering groundfish to the buying station;

(iii) All other information required in the DCL by noon of the day following the day the receipt of groundfish was completed.

(e) *Mothership DCPL—(1) General.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a mothership must record discard or donation information in the DCPL that:

(i) Is reported on a blue DFL copy by a catcher vessel or on a yellow DCL copy by a buying station delivering groundfish to a mothership.

(ii) Occurs on site after receipt of groundfish from a catcher vessel or buying station.

(iii) Occurs during processing of groundfish.

(2) *Time limits.* The operator of a mothership must record:

(i) Except for records of round weight catch for IR/IU species pollock and Pacific cod, “delivery information” in the DCPL within 2 hours after receipt of each groundfish delivery.

(ii) Product information as described at paragraph (a)(9) of this section each day on the day they occur.

(iii) Discard or donation information as described at paragraphs (a)(10) and (e)(1) of this section:

(A) Each day on the day they occur:

(1) On site after receipt of groundfish from a catcher vessel.

(2) During processing of groundfish.

(B) On the day the blue DFL copy is received from a catcher vessel delivering groundfish to the mothership.

(C) On the day the yellow DCL copy is received from a buying station delivering groundfish to a mothership.

(iv) All other information required in the DCPL by noon of the day following the day of production completion.

(f) *Shoreside processor DCPL—(1) General.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the manager of a shoreside processor must record in the DCPL:

(i) The management area (BSAI or GOA) for the product where the groundfish was harvested on each section of the Part II logsheet.

(ii) Discard or donation information in the DCPL that:

(A) Is reported on a blue DFL copy by a catcher vessel or on a yellow DCL

copy by a buying station delivering groundfish to a mothership.

(B) Occurs on site after receipt of groundfish from a catcher vessel or buying station.

(C) Occurs during processing of groundfish.

(2) *Time limits.* The manager of a shoreside processor must record:

(i) All catcher vessel or buying station "delivery information" within 2 hours after completion of receipt of each groundfish delivery.

(ii) Landings and product information as described at paragraphs (a)(8) and (a)(9), respectively, of this section each day on the day they occur.

(iii) Discard or donation information as described at paragraph (a)(10) of this section:

(A) Each day on the day they occur:

(1) On site after receipt of groundfish from a catcher vessel.

(2) During processing of groundfish.

(B) On the day the blue DFL copy is received from a catcher vessel delivering groundfish to a shoreside processor.

(C) On the day the yellow DCL copy is received from a buying station delivering groundfish to a shoreside processor.

(iv) All other information required in the DCPL by noon of the day following the day of production completion.

(g) *Groundfish Product Transfer Report (PTR)*—(1) *Requirement.* Except as provided in paragraphs (g)(1) (i) through (iv) of this section, the operator of a mothership or catcher/processor or the manager of a shoreside processor must record each transfer of groundfish product or donated prohibited species on a separate PTR.

(i) *Product codes 41 and 99.* The operator or manager does not report those fish products, defined as product code 41 in Table 1 to this part, that are destined for offsite fish meal production or those fish products, defined as product code 99 in Table 1 to this part that are subsequently transferred for discard at sea.

(ii) *Bait sales.* The operator or manager may aggregate individual sales or transfers of groundfish to vessels for bait purposes during a day onto one PTR when recording the amount of such bait product leaving a facility that day.

(iii) *Over-the-counter groundfish sales.*

The operator or manager may aggregate individual over-the-counter sales of groundfish for human consumption in quantities less than 10 lb (0.0045 mt) per sale during a day onto one PTR when recording the amount of such over-the-counter product leaving a facility that day.

(iv) *IFQ registered buyer.* If the operator of a mothership or catcher/processor or the manager of a shoreside processor possesses a registered buyer permit issued per § 679.4(d)(2), the operator or manager is not required to submit a PTR to document shipment of IFQ or CDQ sablefish product. However, a shipment report as described at paragraph (1)(3) of this section is required for each shipment of IFQ or CDQ sablefish product.

(2) *Time limits and submittal.* The operator of a mothership or catcher/processor or manager of a shoreside processor must:

(i) Record all product transfer information on a PTR within 2 hours of the completion of the transfer.

(ii) Submit by fax a copy of each PTR to the NMFS Alaska Enforcement Division by 1200 hours, A.l.t., on the Tuesday following the end of the applicable weekly reporting period in which the transfer occurred.

(iii) A PTR is not required to accompany a shipment or offload.

(3) *Information required*—(i) *General.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a mothership or catcher/processor or the manager of a shoreside processor must record on a PTR:

(A) Page numbers must be numbered consecutively, starting with the first transfer of the fishing year as page 1 and continuing throughout the remainder of the fishing year.

(B) "RECEIPT," if product (including raw fish) is received; "OFFLOAD," if product (including raw fish) is offloaded from a mothership or catcher/processor; "SHIPMENT," if product (including raw fish) is shipped from a shoreside processor.

(C) If a catcher/processor or mothership, the USCG documentation number.

(ii) *Transfer information.* The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership or manager of a shoreside processor must record on each page the following information for each transfer:

(A) *Vessel name.* If another vessel is involved with the transfer, the name and call sign of the vessel receiving or delivering groundfish or groundfish products.

(B) *Port of landing.* If a mothership or catcher/processor and the transfer takes place in port, the port of landing and country, if a foreign location.

(C) *Agent.* (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (g)(3)(ii)(C)(2) and (g)(3)(ii)(C)(3) of this section, enter the agent's name, which, for purposes of this section, is defined as the buyer or the distributor.

(2) If groundfish bait transfer or sales are aggregated onto a PTR for a given day as described at paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this section, enter "fishing vessels."

(3) If groundfish over-the-counter sales are aggregated onto a PTR for a given day as described at paragraph (g)(1)(iii) of this section, enter "over-the-counter sales."

(D) *Intended first destination of product.* (1) If an offload or shipment, the intended destination of the vessel or agent receiving the groundfish or groundfish product.

(2) If an offload or shipment has several destinations, the first intended destination.

(3) If offload or shipment has a single destination but requires loading on multiple vans, trucks, or airline flights, the transfer may be recorded on a single PTR page.

(4) If groundfish bait sales are aggregated onto a PTR for a given day as described at paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this section, enter "bait."

(5) If groundfish over-the-counter sales are aggregated onto a PTR for a given day as described at paragraph (g)(1)(iii) of this section, enter "over-the-counter sales."

(E) *Date and time of product transfer—*(1) *Start.* Except as provided in paragraphs (g)(3)(ii)(E)(1)(i) and (ii) of this section, the date and time, as described in paragraph (a)(6)(iii) of this section the transfer starts.

(i) *Bait sales.* If groundfish bait sales are aggregated onto a PTR for a given

day, the transfer start time is the time of the first bait sale.

(ii) *Over-the-counter sales.* If groundfish over-the-counter sales are aggregated onto a PTR for a given day, the transfer start time is the time of the first over-the-counter sale.

(2) *Finish.* Except as provided in paragraphs (g)(3)(ii)(E)(2)(i) through (v) of this section, the date and time, as described in paragraph (a)(6)(iii) of this section, the transfer is completed.

(i) *Individual van or flight.* If shipment is an individual van load or flight, the date and time when each shipment leaves the plant.

(ii) *Multiple vans or trucks.* If shipment involves multiple vans or trucks, record date and time when the last van or truck of the day leaves the plant.

(iii) *Multiple airline flights.* If shipment involves multiple airline flights, record date and time when the last airline flight shipment of the day leaves the plant.

(iv) *Bait sales.* If PTR is for aggregated groundfish bait sales for a given day, the transfer finish time is the time of the last bait sale.

(v) *Over-the-counter sales.* If PTR is for aggregated groundfish over-the-counter sales for a given day, the transfer finish time is the time of the last over-the-counter sale.

(F) *Position transferred.* If a catcher/processor or mothership and transfer of product is made at sea, the latitude and longitude of the transfer position in degrees and minutes.

(iii) *Products and quantities offloaded, shipped, or received.* The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership or manager of a shoreside processor must record the following information:

(A) If a catcher/processor or mothership, the harvest zone code of the area in which groundfish were harvested as defined in Table 8 to this part.

(B) The species code and product code for each product transferred as defined in Tables 1 and 2 to this part.

(C) The number of cartons or production units transferred.

(D) The average net weight of one carton for each species and product code in kilograms or lbs.

(E) The total net weight (fish product weight, to the nearest 0.001 mt) of the products transferred.

(iv) *Total or partial offload.* If a catcher/processor or mothership, whether the transfer is a total or partial offload. If partial offload, the total fish product weight, to the nearest 0.001 mt, of the products (by harvest zone, species and product codes) remaining on board after this transfer.

(h) *Check-in/check-out report*—(1) *Applicability*—(i) *Transit between reporting areas.* If a vessel is transiting through a reporting area and is not fishing or receiving fish, a check-in or check-out report is not required from that area.

(ii) *Multiple vessel operations categories*—(A) *Check-in report.* If a catcher/processor is functioning simultaneously as a mothership in the same reporting area, the operator must submit a separate check-in report for each vessel operations category.

(B) *Check-out report.* Upon completion of each activity, the operator must submit a check-out report for each vessel operations category.

(2) *Time limits and submittal*—(i) *Check-in report (BEGIN message)*—(A) *Catcher/processor*—(1) *Using hook-and-line or pot gear.* (i) Before the operator of a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear sets gear for groundfish in any reporting area except 300, 400, 550, or 690, the operator must submit a check-in report (BEGIN message) by fax to the Regional Administrator.

(ii) The operator of a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear may be checked-in to more than one area simultaneously.

(2) *Using other than hook-and-line or pot gear.* (i) Before the operator of a catcher/processor using other than hook-and-line or pot gear commences fishing for groundfish in any reporting area except 300, 400, 550, or 690, the operator must submit a check-in report (BEGIN message) by fax to the Regional Administrator.

(ii) The operator of a catcher/processor using other than hook-and-line or pot gear may be checked-in to only one area at a time.

(B) *Mothership, shoreside processor, buying station.* (1) Before a mothership, shoreside processor, or buying station commences receipt of groundfish from

any reporting area except 300, 400, 550, or 690, the operator or manager must submit a check-in report (BEGIN message) by fax to the Regional Administrator.

(2) The operator of a mothership may be checked into more than one area simultaneously.

(C) *Directed fishing under a CDQ allocation.* The operator must submit by fax a check-in report to the Regional Administrator prior to directed fishing for each CDQ allocation.

(ii) *Check-out report (CEASE message)*—(A) *Catcher/processor*—(1) *Using hook-and-line or pot gear.* (i) If a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear departs a reporting area and gear retrieval is complete from that area, the operator must submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after departing a reporting area.

(ii) If a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear is checked-in to multiple reporting areas, the operator must submit a check-out report for each reporting area by fax.

(2) *Using other than hook-and-line or pot gear.* If a catcher/processor using other than hook-and-line or pot gear departs a reporting area, the operator must submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after departing a reporting area but prior to checking-in another reporting area.

(B) *Mothership or buying station delivering to a mothership.* (1) If a mothership or buying station delivering to a mothership completes receipt of groundfish, the operator must submit a check-out report by fax to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after departing a reporting area.

(2) If a mothership is checked-in to multiple reporting areas, the operator must submit a check-out report for each reporting area by fax.

(C) *Shoreside processor.* If a shoreside processor, the manager:

(1) Must submit a check-out report by fax to the Regional Administrator within 48 hours after the end of the applicable weekly reporting period that a shoreside processor ceases to process groundfish for the fishing year.

(2) May submit a check-out report by fax to the Regional Administrator

when receipt or processing of groundfish is temporarily halted during the fishing year for a period of at least two weekly reporting periods.

(D) *Buying station delivering to a shoreside processor.* If a land-based buying station delivering to a shoreside processor, the manager:

(1) Must submit a check-out report by fax to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after delivery of groundfish ceases for the fishing year.

(2) May submit a check-out report by fax to the Regional Administrator when receipt of groundfish is temporarily halted during the fishing year for a period of at least two weekly reporting periods.

(E) *End of fishing year.* If a check-out report has not previously been submitted during a fishing year, the operator or manager must submit a check-out report at the end of that fishing year, December 31.

(F) *Directed fishing under a CDQ allocation.* The operator must submit a check-out report by fax to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after directed fishing for each species under each CDQ allocation has ceased.

(3) *General information.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher/processor, mothership, or of a buying station delivering to a mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station delivering to a shoreside processor must record:

(i) *BEGIN message—(A) Mothership.* (1) Date (month-day-year) and time (to the nearest hour, A.l.t.) that receipt of groundfish begins.

(2) Latitude and longitude of position in degrees and minutes where groundfish receipt begins.

(3) Reporting area code where groundfish receipt begins and whether mothership is receiving groundfish in the COBLZ or RKCSA area.

(4) Primary and secondary species expected to be received the following week. A change in intended target species within the same reporting area does not require a new BEGIN message.

(5) Whether acting as a mothership or catcher/processor.

(B) *Catcher/processor.* (1) Date (month-day-year) and time (to the nearest hour, A.l.t.) that gear is deployed.

(2) Latitude and longitude of position in degrees and minutes where gear is set.

(3) Reporting area code where gear deployment begins and whether catcher/processor is located in the COBLZ or RKCSA area.

(4) Primary and secondary species expected to be harvested the following week. A change in intended target species within the same reporting area does not require a new BEGIN message.

(5) Whether acting as a mothership or catcher/processor.

(C) *Shoreside processor.* (1) Date (month-day-year) the facility will begin to receive groundfish.

(2) Whether checking in for the first time at the beginning of the fishing year or checking in to restart receipt and processing of groundfish after filing a check-out report.

(D) *Buying station.* (1) If delivering to a mothership, reporting area code where groundfish receipt begins.

(2) Date (month-day-year) facility will begin to receive groundfish.

(3) Whether checking in at the beginning of the fishing year or checking in to restart after filing a check-out report.

(4) Intended primary target species expected to be received the following week. A change in intended target species within the same reporting area does not require a new BEGIN message.

(ii) *CEASE message—(A) Mothership.* Date (month-day-year), time (to the nearest hour, A.l.t.), and latitude and longitude of position in degrees and minutes where the last receipt of groundfish was made.

(B) *Catcher/processor.* Date (month-day-year), time (to the nearest hour, A.l.t.), and latitude and longitude of position in degrees and minutes where the vessel departed the reporting area.

(C) *Shoreside processor.* Date (month-day-year) that receipt of groundfish ceased.

(D) *Buying station.* (1) If delivering to a mothership, date (month-day-year), time (to the nearest hour, A.l.t.), and latitude and longitude of position in degrees and minutes where the vessel departed the reporting area.

(2) If delivering to a shoreside processor, date (month-day-year) that receipt of groundfish ceased.

(iii) *Fish or fish product held at plant.* The manager of a shoreside processor must report the weight of all fish or fish products held at the plant in lbs or to the nearest 0.001 mt by species and product codes on each check-in report and on each check-out report.

(i) *Weekly Production Report (WPR)—(1) Applicability.*

(i) The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor must submit a WPR for any week the mothership, catcher/processor, or shoreside processor is checked in pursuant to paragraph (h)(2)(i) of this section.

(ii) The operator of a vessel that is authorized to conduct operations as both a catcher/processor and as a mothership must submit separate WPRs to report production and discard as a catcher/processor and production and discard as a mothership.

(2) *Time limits and submittal.* The operator or manager must submit a WPR by fax to the Regional Administrator by 1200 hours, A.l.t., on the Tuesday following the end of the applicable weekly reporting period.

(3) *Information required.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher/processor or mothership, or manager of a shoreside processor must record:

(i) The date (month-day-year) the WPR was completed.

(ii) The primary and secondary target codes for the following week.

(iii) If a mothership or catcher/processor, record the processor type.

(j) *Daily Production Report (DPR)—(1) Notification.* If the Regional Administrator determines that DPRs are necessary to avoid exceeding a groundfish TAC or prohibited species bycatch allowance, NMFS may require submission of DPRs from motherships, catcher/processors, and shoreside processors for reporting one or more specified species, in addition to a WPR. NMFS will publish notification in the FEDERAL REGISTER specifying the fisheries that require DPRs and the dates that submittal of DPRs are required.

(2) *Applicability.* (i) If a catcher/processor or mothership is checked in to the specified reporting area and is harvesting, receiving, processing, or discarding the specified species or is receiving reports from a catcher vessel of discard at sea of the specified species, the operator must submit a DPR.

(ii) If a shoreside processor is receiving, processing, or discarding the specified species or is receiving reports from a catcher vessel of discard at sea of the specified species, the manager must submit a DPR.

(iii) The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor must use a separate DPR for each gear type, processor type, and CDQ number.

(3) *Time limit and submittal.* The operator or manager must submit a DPR by fax to the Regional Administrator by 1200 hours, A.l.t., the day following each day of landings, discard, or production.

(4) *Information required.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher/processor or mothership, or the manager of a shoreside processor must record the processor type.

(k) *U.S. Vessel Activity Report (VAR)—(1) Applicability.* The operator of a catcher vessel, catcher/processor, or of a mothership regulated under this part must submit a VAR by fax to NMFS Alaska Enforcement Division, Juneau, AK, before the vessel crosses the seaward boundary of the EEZ off Alaska or crosses the U.S.-Canadian international boundary between Alaska and British Columbia.

(2) *Information required—(i) General.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of each catcher vessel, catcher/processor, or mothership must record:

(A) If the vessel is crossing into the seaward boundary of the EEZ off Alaska or crossing the U.S.-Canadian international boundary between Alaska and British Columbia into U.S. waters, the operator must indicate a "return" report. "Return," for purposes of this paragraph, means coming back to Alaska.

(B) If the vessel is crossing out of the seaward boundary of the EEZ off Alaska or crossing the U.S.-Canadian international boundary between Alaska and British Columbia into Canadian waters, the operator must indicate a “depart” report. “Depart,” for purposes of this paragraph, means leaving Alaska.

(C) Port of landing. If no fish on board, indicate first destination.

(D) Whether the vessel is returning from fishing or departing to fish in the Russian Zone.

(E) Date (month-day-year) and time (Greenwich mean time) the vessel will cross the seaward boundary of the EEZ off Alaska or the U.S.-Canadian international boundary between Alaska and British Columbia.

(F) Latitude and longitude of position in degrees and minutes at the point of crossing the seaward boundary of the EEZ off Alaska or U.S.-Canadian international boundary between Alaska and British Columbia.

(ii) *Fish or fish products.* The operator of a catcher vessel, catcher/processor, or mothership must record the fish or fish products on board the vessel when crossing the seaward boundary of the EEZ off Alaska or U.S.-Canadian international boundary as follows:

(A) The harvest zone code of the area in which groundfish were harvested as defined in Table 8 to this part.

(B) The species code and product code for each species on board as defined in Tables 1 and 2 to this part.

(C) The fish product weight of products on board in lbs or to the nearest 0.001 mt.

(1) *IFQ recordkeeping and reporting requirements.* In addition to the recordkeeping and reporting requirements in this section and as prescribed in the annual management measures published in the FEDERAL REGISTER pursuant to §300.62 of chapter III of this title, the following IFQ reports are required, when applicable: prior notices of landing, landing report, shipment report, transshipment authorization, vessel clearance report, and departure report.

(1) *Prior notice of IFQ landing—(i) Applicability.* Except as provided in paragraph (1)(1)(iv) of this section, the operator of any vessel making an IFQ landing must notify the NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, no fewer than 6 hours

before landing IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish, unless permission to commence an IFQ landing within 6 hours of notification is granted by a clearing officer.

(ii) *Time limits.* Prior notice of an IFQ landing must be made to the toll-free telephone number specified on the IFQ permit between the hours of 0600 hours, A.l.t., and 2400 hours, A.l.t.

(iii) *Information required.* Prior notice must include the following: Name of the registered buyer(s) who will be responsible for completion and submission of the IFQ Landing Report(s); the location of the landing; vessel identification; estimated weight of the IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish that will be landed; identification number(s) of the IFQ card(s) that will be used to land the IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish; and the date and time that the landing will take place.

(iv) *Exemption.* The operator of a category B, C, or D vessel, as defined at §679.40(a)(5), making an IFQ landing of IFQ halibut of 500 lb (0.227 mt) or less of IFQ weight determined pursuant to §679.42(c)(2) and concurrent with a legal landing of salmon is exempt from the prior notice of landing required by this section.

(v) *Revision to prior notice.* The operator of any vessel wishing to land IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish before the date and time reported in the prior notice or later than 2 hours after the date and time reported in the prior notice must submit a new prior notice of IFQ landing as described in paragraphs (1)(1)(i) through (iii) of this section.

(2) *Landing report—(i) Applicability.* A registered buyer must report an IFQ landing within 6 hours after all such fish are landed and prior to shipment or departure of the delivery vessel from the landing site.

(ii) *Electronic landing report.* (A) Electronic landing reports must be submitted to NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, using magnetic strip cards issued by NMFS, Alaska Region, and transaction terminals and printers driven by custom-designed software, as provided and/or specified by NMFS, Alaska Region. It is the responsibility of the registered buyer to locate or procure a

transaction terminal and report as required. Waivers from the electronic reporting requirement can only be granted in writing on a case-by-case basis by a local clearing officer.

(B) The IFQ cardholder must initiate a landing report by using his or her own magnetic card and personal identification number (PIN).

(C) Once landing operations have commenced, the IFQ cardholder and the harvesting vessel may not leave the landing site until the IFQ account is properly debited. The offloaded IFQ species may not be moved from the landing site until the IFQ landing report is received by NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, and the IFQ cardholder's account is properly debited. A properly concluded transaction terminal receipt or manual landing report receipt received by fax from NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, constitutes confirmation that NMFS received the landing report and that the cardholder's account was properly debited. After the registered buyer enters the landing data in the transaction terminal and a receipt is printed, the IFQ cardholder must sign the receipt. Legible copies of the receipt must be retained by both the registered buyer and the IFQ cardholder pursuant to paragraph (l)(7) of this section.

(iii) *Manual landing report.* (A) If a waiver has been granted pursuant to paragraph (l)(2)(ii) of this section, manual landing instructions must be obtained from NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, at (800) 304-4846 or (907) 586-7163. Completed manual landing reports must be submitted by fax to NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, at (907) 586-7313.

(B) The manual landing report must be signed by the registered buyer, the IFQ cardholder, and the NMFS representative to show that the IFQ cardholder's account was properly debited.

(iv) *Time limits and submittals.* (A) An IFQ landing may commence only between 0600 hours, A.l.t., and 1800 hours, A.l.t., unless:

(1) Permission to land at a different time is granted in advance by a clearing officer; or

(2) IFQ halibut of 500 lb (0.227 mt) or less of IFQ weight determined pursuant to §679.42(c)(2) is landed concurrently with a legal landing of salmon by a cat-

egory B, C, or D vessel, as defined at §679.40(a)(5).

(B) An IFQ landing report must be completed and the IFQ account(s) properly debited, as defined in paragraph (l)(2)(ii)(C) of this section, within 6 hours after the completion of the IFQ landing.

(v) *Landing verification and inspection.* Each IFQ landing and all fish retained on board the vessel making an IFQ landing are subject to verification, inspection, and sampling by authorized officers, clearing officers, or observers. Each IFQ halibut landing is subject to sampling for biological information by persons authorized by the IPHC.

(vi) *Information required.* The registered buyer must enter accurate information contained in a complete IFQ landing report as follows: Date, time, and location of the IFQ landing; name and permit number of the IFQ cardholder and registered buyer; the harvesting vessel's ADF&G number; the Alaska State fish ticket number(s) for the landing; the ADF&G statistical area of harvest reported by the IFQ cardholder; if ADF&G statistical area is bisected by a line dividing two IFQ regulatory areas, the IFQ regulatory area of harvest reported by the IFQ cardholder; for each ADF&G statistical area of harvest reported by the IFQ cardholder, the product code landed and initial accurate scale weight made at the time offloading commences for IFQ species sold and retained.

(3) *Shipment report—(i) Requirement.* Each registered buyer, other than those conducting dockside sales must:

(A) Complete a written shipment report for each shipment or transfer of IFQ halibut and IFQ sablefish from that registered buyer before the fish leave the landing site.

(B) Assure that a shipment report is submitted to, and received by, NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, by fax to (907) 586-7313 or mail to P.O. Box 21767, Juneau, AK 99802-1767, within 7 days of the date shipment commenced.

(C) Assure that a copy of the shipment report or a bill of lading containing the same information accompanies the shipment of IFQ species from the landing site to the first destination beyond the location of the IFQ landing.

(ii) *Information required.* A shipment report must specify the following: Species and product type being shipped, number of shipping units, fish product weight, names of the shipper and receiver, names and addresses of the consignee and consignor, mode of transportation, and intended route.

(iii) *Revision to shipment report.* Each registered buyer must ensure that, if any information on the original Shipment Report changes prior to the first destination of the shipment, a revised shipment report is submitted to NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, clearly labeled "Revised Shipment Report" and that the revised shipment report be received by NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, within 7 days of the change.

(iv) *Dockside sale or outside landing—(A) Dockside sale.* (1) A registered buyer conducting dockside sales must issue a receipt in lieu of a shipment report, that includes the date of sale or transfer, the registered buyer permit number, and the fish product weight of the IFQ sablefish or halibut transferred to each individual receiving IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish.

(2) A person holding a valid IFQ permit, IFQ card, and registered buyer permit may conduct a dockside sale of IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish to a person who has not been issued a registered buyer permit.

(B) *Outside landing.* A person holding a valid IFQ permit, IFQ card, and registered buyer permit may conduct an IFQ landing outside an IFQ regulatory area or the State of Alaska to a person who does not hold a registered buyer permit.

(C) *Landing report.* The person making such an IFQ landing as described in paragraph (1)(3)(iv)(A) or (B) of this section must submit an IFQ landing report in the manner prescribed in paragraph (1)(2) of this section before any fish are sold, transferred, or removed from the immediate vicinity of the vessel with which they were harvested.

(4) *Transshipment authorization.* No person may transship processed IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish between vessels without authorization by a clearing officer. Authorization from a clearing officer must be obtained for each instance of transshipment at least 24 hours before the transshipment is in-

tended to commence. Requests for authorization must specify the date and location of the transshipment.

(5) *Vessel clearance—(i) Applicability.* The vessel operator who makes an IFQ landing at any location other than in an IFQ regulatory area or in the State of Alaska must obtain prelanding written clearance of the vessel from a clearing officer and provide the weight of IFQ halibut and IFQ sablefish on board to the clearing officer.

(ii) *Responsibility.* (A) A vessel operator must land and report all IFQ species on board at the same time and place as the first landing of any species harvested during an IFQ fishing trip.

(B) A vessel operator having been granted a vessel clearance must submit an IFQ landing report, required under this section, for all IFQ halibut, IFQ sablefish and products thereof that are on board the vessel at the first landing of any fish from the vessel.

(iii) *Location of clearance—(A) State of Alaska.* The vessel operator that obtains prelanding written clearance for the vessel at a port in the State of Alaska must obtain that clearance prior to departing the waters of the EEZ adjacent to the jurisdictional waters of the State of Alaska, the territorial sea of the State of Alaska, or the internal waters of the State of Alaska.

(B) *State other than Alaska, Departure Report.* (1) A vessel operator intending to obtain a prelanding written clearance for the vessel at a port in a state other than Alaska must first provide a departure report to NMFS Enforcement, Juneau, prior to departing the waters of the EEZ adjacent to the jurisdictional waters of the State of Alaska, the territorial sea of the State of Alaska, or the internal waters of the State of Alaska.

(2) *Information required.* The departure report must include the weight of the IFQ halibut or IFQ sablefish on board and the intended date and time the vessel will obtain prelanding written clearance at that port in a state other than Alaska.

(C) *Foreign port other than Canada.* A vessel operator who lands IFQ species in a foreign port must first obtain a vessel clearance from a clearing officer located at a primary port in the State

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of Alaska as described in paragraph (l)(5)(vi) of this section.

(D) *Canadian ports.* No person shall make an IFQ landing in Canada other than at the ports of Port Hardy, Prince Rupert, or Vancouver, British Columbia.

(iv) *Permits and cards.* A vessel operator obtaining a vessel clearance must have a registered buyer permit and one or more IFQ cardholders on board with IFQ holdings equal to or greater than all IFQ halibut and IFQ sablefish on board.

(v) *Inspection.* A vessel for which a vessel operator is seeking clearance is subject to inspection of all fish, logbooks, permits, and other documents on board the vessel at the discretion of the clearing officer.

(vi) *Primary ports.* Unless specifically authorized on a case-by-case basis, vessel clearances will be issued only by clearing officers at the following primary ports:

Port	North latitude	West longitude
Akutan	54°08'05"	165°46'20"
Bellingham	48°45'04"	122°30'02"
Cordova	60°33'00"	145°45'00"
Craig	55°28'30"	133°09'00"
Dutch Harbor/Unalaska.	53°53'27"	166°32'05"
Excursion Inlet	58°25'00"	135°26'30"
Homer	59°38'40"	151°33'00"
Ketchikan	55°20'30"	131°38'45"
King Cove	55°03'20"	162°19'00"
Kodiak	57°47'20"	152°24'10"
Pelican	57°57'30"	136°13'30"
Petersburg	56°48'10"	132°58'00"
St. Paul	57°07'20"	170°16'30"
Sand Point	55°20'15"	160°30'00"
Seward	60°06'30"	149°26'30"
Sitka	57°03'	135°20'
Yakutat	59°33'	139°44'

(6) *Record retention.* A copy of all reports and receipts required by this section must be retained by registered buyers and be made available for inspection by an authorized officer or a clearing officer for a period of 3 years.

(m) *Consolidated weekly ADF&G fish tickets from motherships—(1) Requirement.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a mothership must ensure that the combined catch for each catcher vessel is summarized at the end of each weekly reporting period by species on a minimum of one ADF&G groundfish fish ticket when the mothership receives any groundfish

from a catcher vessel that is issued a Federal fisheries permit under §679.4. (An ADF&G fish ticket is further described (see §679.3) at Alaska Administrative Code, 5 AAC Chapter 39.130).

(2) *Information required.* (i) The operator of a mothership must ensure that the following information is imprinted or written legibly on the consolidated weekly ADF&G fish ticket from the catcher vessel operator's State of Alaska, Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC) permit card in order to describe the CFEC permit holder:

(A) *Vessel name.* Name of the catcher vessel delivering the groundfish.

(B) *Name.* Name of CFEC permit holder. If more than one operator is on the same vessel during the same weekly reporting period, complete a fish ticket for each operator.

(C) *Permit number.* CFEC permit number.

(D) *ADF&G No.* ADF&G catcher vessel number.

(ii) The operator of a mothership must ensure that the following information is imprinted or written legibly on the consolidated weekly ADF&G fish ticket from the mothership's CFEC processor plate card in order to describe the mothership:

(A) *Processor code.* ADF&G processor code of mothership.

(B) *Company.* Identification of mothership.

(iii) The operator of a mothership must record on the consolidated weekly ADF&G groundfish fish ticket the following information obtained from the catcher vessel operator:

(A) *ADF&G No.* The ADF&G number of the catcher vessel delivering fish to the mothership, if the catcher vessel is different from the vessel identified in the CFEC permit card.

(B) *Date landed.* The week-ending date of the weekly reporting period during which the mothership received the groundfish from the catcher vessel.

(C) *Port of landing or vessel transhipped to.* "FLD," a code which means floating processor.

(D) *Type of gear used.* Write in one of the following gear types used by the catcher vessel to harvest groundfish received:

- (1) Hook and line.
- (2) Pot.

- (3) Nonpelagic trawl.
- (4) Pelagic trawl.
- (5) Jig/troll.
- (6) Other.

(iv) The operator of a mothership is responsible for ensuring that the following information is recorded on an ADF&G fish ticket for each catcher vessel:

(A) *Code*. Species code for each species from Table 2 to this part, except species codes 144, 168, 169, or 171.

(B) *Statistical area*. ADF&G 6-digit statistical area in which groundfish were harvested. If more than the allowed eight statistical areas per fish ticket is exceeded in a weekly reporting period, complete a second fish ticket. These statistical areas are defined in a set of charts obtained at no charge from Alaska Commercial Fisheries Management & Development Division, Department of Fish and Game, 211 Mission Road, Kodiak, AK, 99615–6399.

(C) *Condition code*. The product code from Table 1 to this part which describes the condition of the fish received by the mothership from the catcher vessel. In most cases, this will be product code 1, whole fish.

(D) *Pounds*. The landed weight of each species to the nearest lb.

(E) *Permit holder's signature*. The signature of the catcher vessel CFEC permit holder.

(F) *Fish received by*. The signature of the mothership operator.

(3) *Time limit and submittal*. (i) The operator of a mothership must complete the consolidated weekly ADF&G groundfish fish ticket for each catcher vessel by 1200 hours, A.l.t., on Tuesday following the end of the applicable weekly reporting period.

(ii) The operator of a mothership must submit the original consolidated weekly ADF&G groundfish fish tickets (fax copy is not acceptable) to Alaska Commercial Fisheries Management & Development Division, Department of Fish and Game, 211 Mission Road, Kodiak, AK, 99615–6399, within 30 days after landings are received.

(n) *Groundfish CDQ fisheries*—(1) *CDQ delivery report*. The manager of each shoreside processor and the manager or operator of each buying station taking deliveries of CDQ or PSQ species from catcher vessels must submit the follow-

ing information on the CDQ delivery report to NMFS within 24 hours of each delivery of groundfish CDQ species:

- (i) CDQ number.
- (ii) Name of the vessel delivering CDQ, writing “unnamed” if the vessel has no name.
- (iii) ADF&G number of the vessel delivering CDQ.
- (iv) Federal fisheries permit number of the vessel delivering CDQ, if applicable.
- (v) Name of the processor taking delivery of the CDQ.
- (vi) Federal processor permit number of the processor taking delivery of the CDQ.
- (vii) Gear used to catch CDQ.
- (viii) The CDQ delivery number, which is a unique, sequential number assigned by the catcher vessel operator and recorded in the DCPL.
- (ix) Reporting area where CDQ catch was made.
- (x) For catcher vessels using trawl gear, whether the catch was from the CVOA or from the COBLZ.
- (xi) Date the CDQ catch was delivered to the processor.
- (xii) Species codes using codes in Table 2 to this part.
- (xiii) Product codes using the product codes listed in Table 1 to this part for groundfish and at §679.42(c)(2)(iii) for halibut, using product code 98 to designate at-sea discards reported by the operator of an unobserved vessel.
- (xiv) Product weight to the nearest 0.001 mt for groundfish CDQ and halibut CDQ or PSQ, and the total number of salmon PSQ and crab PSQ delivered to the processor. The weight of halibut CDQ, halibut PSQ, halibut IFQ, and sablefish IFQ must be reported separately on the CDQ delivery report. In addition, PSQ delivered to the processor must be reported separately from PSQ discarded at sea by unobserved catcher vessels. For catcher vessels with a CDQ observer, do not report estimates of at-sea discards on the CDQ delivery report.
- (xv) The printed name, signature, and date of signature for the vessel operator and the manager of the shoreside processing plant or operator or the buying station.

(2) *CDQ catch report*. The CDQ catch report is required for all catch made by

vessels groundfish CDQ fishing as defined at § 679.2. The CDQ representative must submit the following information to NMFS within 7 days of the date CDQ catch was delivered by a catcher vessel to a shoreside processor, buying station, or mothership, or within 7 days of the date gear used to catch CDQ was retrieved for catcher/processors.

(i) *For all CDQ catch reports.* (A) CDQ number.

(B) Name of vessel used to catch CDQ, writing "unnamed" if the vessel has no name.

(C) Federal fisheries permit number of the vessel used to catch CDQ.

(D) ADF&G number of the vessel used to catch CDQ.

(E) Gear used to catch CDQ.

(F) Reporting area where CDQ catch was made.

(G) For vessels using trawl gear, whether the catch was from the CVOA or COBLZ.

(H) Species codes using codes in Table 2 to this part.

(I) The CDQ representative's printed name, signature, and date of signature.

(ii) *For catcher vessels retaining all groundfish CDQ and delivering it to a shoreside processing plant (Option 1 in the CDP).* (A) Name of the processor taking delivery of the CDQ.

(B) Federal processor permit number of the processor taking delivery of the CDQ.

(C) Date CDQ catch was delivered.

(D) The CDQ delivery number.

(E) Product codes using the product codes listed in Table 1 to this part for groundfish and at § 679.42(c)(2)(iii) for halibut, using product code 98 to designate at-sea discards reported by the operator of an unobserved vessel.

(F) Product weight to the nearest 0.001 mt for groundfish CDQ and halibut CDQ or PSQ, and the total number of salmon PSQ and crab PSQ. The weight of halibut and sablefish CDQ and IFQ, and the weight of halibut PSQ must be reported separately. PSQ reports must include all PSQ delivered to the processor and all PSQ reported as discarded at sea by the vessel operator for unobserved vessels and by the CDQ observer for vessels required to carry a CDQ observer. The CDQ catch report must identify whether sablefish CDQ accrues against the fixed gear sablefish

CDQ reserve or the sablefish CDQ reserve as defined at § 679.20(b)(1)(iii).

(iii) *For catcher/processors; catcher vessels delivering to motherships; and catcher vessels using nontrawl gear discarding groundfish CDQ at sea and delivering to shoreside processing plants (Option 2 in the CDP).* (A) Name, Federal fisheries permit number, and ADF&G number of the mothership, if applicable.

(B) Name and Federal processor permit of the shoreside processing plant, if applicable.

(C) The CDQ observer's haul or set number.

(D) Date gear retrieved by the catcher/processor, mothership, or catcher vessel as determined by the CDQ observer.

(E) The total weight to the nearest 0.001 mt for groundfish CDQ and halibut PSQ, the product code and product weight for halibut CDQ, and the total number of salmon PSQ and crab PSQ. The weight of halibut CDQ and halibut PSQ must be reported separately and the CDQ catch report must identify whether sablefish CDQ accrues against the fixed gear sablefish CDQ reserve or the sablefish CDQ reserve as defined at § 679.20(b)(1)(iii).

(3) *Halibut CDQ.* All halibut CDQ harvested by vessels while groundfish CDQ fishing as defined at § 679.2 must be reported on the CDQ delivery report and on the CDQ catch report.

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EFFECTIVE DATE NOTES: 1. At 63 FR 30399, June 4, 1998, § 679.5 was amended by adding paragraph (n). This paragraph contains information collection and recordkeeping requirements and will not become effective until approval has been given by the Office of Management and Budget.

2. At 63 FR 47356, Sept. 4, 1998, § 679.5 was amended by revising paragraphs (a) through (l) and adding paragraph (m), effective Oct. 5, 1998, except paragraph (l)(2)(vi), which contains information collection and recordkeeping requirements and will not become effective until approval has been given by the Office of Management and Budget. For the convenience of the user, the superseded text follows:

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(C) *Fishing for groundfish CDQ species.* The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership must submit by fax a check-in report to the Regional Administrator prior to fishing for any CDQ species. A separate report must be submitted for each CDQ number.

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(F) *Fishing for groundfish CDQ species.* The operator of a catcher/processor or mothership must submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after fishing for any CDQ species has ceased. A separate report must be submitted for each CDQ number.

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(iv) *Information required.* Information contained in a complete IFQ landing report shall include: Date, time, and location of the IFQ landing; name and permit number of the IFQ card holder and registered buyer; product type landed; and the scale weight of the product at the time of landing.

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(2) *IFQ shipment report—(i) Registered buyer.* Each registered buyer, other than those conducting dockside sales, must:

(A) Report on a shipment report any shipments or transfers of IFQ halibut and IFQ sablefish to the first destination beyond the location of the IFQ landing.

(B) Complete a shipment report for each shipment or transfer from that register buyer prior to shipment and assure that the shipment report is submitted to, and received by, the NMFS Alaska Enforcement

Division, within 7 days of the date shipment or transfer commenced;

(C) Assure that a copy of the shipment report or a bill of lading containing the same information accompanies the shipment to its first destination beyond the location of the IFQ landing; and

(D) Submit a revised shipment report if any information on the original shipment report changes prior to the first destination of the shipment. A revised shipment report must be clearly labeled "Revised Shipment Report," and must be received by NMFS Alaska Enforcement Division, within 7 days of the change.

(ii) *Shipment report.* (A) A shipment report must be submitted to NMFS Alaska Enforcement Division in a manner prescribed on the registered buyer permit.

(B) A shipment report must specify: Species and product type being shipped, number of shipping units, fish product weight, names of the shipper and receiver, names and addresses of the consignee and consignor, mode of transportation, and intended route.

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§ 679.6 Experimental fisheries.

(a) *General.* For limited experimental purposes, the Regional Administrator may authorize, after consulting with the Council, fishing for groundfish in a manner that would otherwise be prohibited. No experimental fishing may be conducted unless authorized by an experimental fishing permit issued by the Regional Administrator to the participating vessel owner in accordance with the criteria and procedures specified in this section. Experimental fishing permits will be issued without charge and will expire at the end of a calendar year unless otherwise provided for under paragraph (e) of this section.

(b) *Application.* An applicant for an experimental fishing permit shall submit to the Regional Administrator, at least 60 days before the desired effective date of the experimental fishing permit, a written application including, but not limited to, the following information:

- (1) The date of the application.
- (2) The applicant's name, mailing address, and telephone number.