



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
ON THE CONSERVATION OF  
MIGRATORY SHARKS**

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**South Africa National Report**

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## Sharks MOS4: National Reporting Format (Offline version)

**Purpose:** Evaluate the status of how Signatories are meeting the objective of the Memorandum of Understanding: "*to achieve and maintain a favorable conservation status for migratory sharks based on the best available scientific information, taking into account current management and conservation actions, the socio-economic, and other values of these species for the people of the Signatories*" and to report on implementation of the Conservation Plan.

\*Compulsory field

Additional instructions are provided in *italics*.

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### Species in your area of national jurisdiction

6. Signatory\*  
*Please select the Signatory you represent*  
South Africa
7. Please open the [excel spreadsheet](#) that you were provided for your country by the Secretariat. Use the spreadsheet to review the status of Annex 1-listed species in your national jurisdiction. Once complete, please email the spreadsheet, along with this word document, to the Secretariat ([fenella.wood@cms.int](mailto:fenella.wood@cms.int))

*Please contact the Secretariat if you have any difficulty accessing the spreadsheet or require additional advice and support to complete the spreadsheet.*

- I have downloaded the spreadsheet successfully  
 I could not download the spreadsheet

8. Do your vessels catch (landed, transhipped, or discarded) any Annex 1-listed species WITHIN your area of national jurisdiction? \*

- Yes
- No

9. If yes, please report species-specific catch information within your area of national jurisdiction on the **spreadsheet** provided.

*Please provide information on species that are caught (landed, transhipped, or discarded).*

*Please infill **column F** on the spreadsheet for each species. There is a drop-down list for you to use with the following options: 'taking occurs', 'taking potentially occurs', 'taking does not occur', 'unknown' or 'not applicable'.*

*Please provide any additional information in **column G**, for example links to publicly available reports that may contain relevant data.*

- I have added species-specific information to the spreadsheet
- Not applicable

10. Do your vessels catch (landed, transhipped, or discarded) any Annex 1-listed species OUTSIDE of your area of national jurisdiction? \*

- Yes
- No

11. If yes, please report species-specific catch information outside of your area of national jurisdiction on the **spreadsheet** provided.

*Please provide information on species that are caught (landed, transhipped, or discarded).*

*Please infill **column H** on the spreadsheet for each species. There is a drop-down list for you to use with the following options: 'taking occurs', 'taking potentially occurs', 'taking does not occur', 'unknown' or 'not applicable'.*

*Please provide any additional information in **column I**, for example links to publicly available reports that may contain relevant data.*

- I have added species-specific information to the spreadsheet
- Not applicable

## Management and conservation measures

12. Are any Annex 1-listed species protected or have a managed fishery? \*

Yes

No

13. If yes, please include details of protection measures or managed fisheries for each species in the **spreadsheet** provided.

*These could include national, supranational regulations or the implementation of Regional Fisheries Body measures.*

*Please infill **column J** on the spreadsheet for each species.*

I have added species-specific information to the spreadsheet

Not applicable

14. Are there any regulations concerning Annex 1-listed species currently in the process of being proposed or implemented? \*

Yes

No

15. If yes, please include details of the proposed or in the process of implementation in the **spreadsheet** provided.

*Please infill **column K** on the spreadsheet for each species.*

I have added species-specific information to the spreadsheet

Not applicable

16. Have you established other conservation measures for Annex 1-listed species in your area of national jurisdiction? \*

Yes

No

17. If yes, please include details of the conservation measures in the **spreadsheet** provided.

*These could include activities including research, capacity building, training, habitat conservation, etc.*

*Please infill **column L** on the spreadsheet for each species.*

I have added species-specific information to the spreadsheet

Not applicable

## Cooperation

18. Are you cooperating with other Signatories or NGOs on the implementation of the Sharks MOU and its Conservation Plan? \*

*Please provide details of the cooperation.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

19. Have you identified the need, or do you have a request for cooperation with other Signatories or Cooperating Partners to implement the Conservation Plan within your country/region? For example a relevant Regional Fisheries Body. \*

*Please describe.*

*Yes. Namibia and Mozambique are the most relevant parties, however Namibia is not a signatory. RFMO'S in Southwest Indian ocean and South Atlantic need to provide detailed feedback on the state of reporting by parties in these areas*

20. Have you identified any barriers preventing cooperation and partnership to implement the Sharks MOU and its Conservation Plan? \*

*Please describe.*

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## Capacity and materials

21. What capacity needs have you identified in your country? Please provide details. \*

*A regional species assessment to be funded and expertise provided that is independant This could include, but not limited to, training, equipment, materials, funding, data collection etc.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

22. What regional (or national) identification guides, and safe handling and release guidelines do you use? \*

*Please provide citation and internet link. If national guides can be made available to other Signatories, please email them as a PDF to [fenella.wood@cms.int](mailto:fenella.wood@cms.int).*

*<https://sharkattackcampaign.co.za/resources/>*

23. Please send any documents related to the conservation and management of Annex 1-listed species that should be included in the Info Hub (<https://www.cms.int/sharks/en/sharks-mou-infohub>) to [fenella.wood@cms.int](mailto:fenella.wood@cms.int).

- Relevant documents for the Info Hub have been emailed to the Secretariat  
 Not Applicable

Species		Status of species in your area of national jurisdiction according to IUCN	Status of species in your area of national jurisdiction	Species that your vessels catch WITHIN your area of national jurisdiction <sup>1</sup>	Any supporting documentation for catches within your area of national jurisdiction	Species that your flag vessels catch OUTSIDE of your national jurisdiction limits <sup>2</sup>	Any supporting documentation for catches within your area of national jurisdiction
Scientific name	Common name (English)						
<i>Alopias pelagicus</i>	Pelagic Thresher Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044471">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044471</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044473">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044473</a>
<i>Alopias superciliosus</i>	Bigeye Thresher Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044472">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044472</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044474">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044474</a>
<i>Alopias vulpinus</i>	Common Thresher Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044473">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044473</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044475">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044475</a>
<i>Anoxypristis cuspidata</i>	Narrow Sawfish	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				
<i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>	Silky Shark	Doesn't Occur	Extant (Resident)	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044473">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044473</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044477">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044477</a>
<i>Carcharhinus longimanus</i>	Oceanic Whitetip Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044474">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044474</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044478">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044478</a>
<i>Carcharhinus obscurus</i>	Dusky Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044475">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044475</a>	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044479">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044479</a>
<i>Carcharodon carcharias</i>	Great White Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044476">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044476</a>	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044480">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044480</a>
<i>Cetorhinus maximus</i>	Basking Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant Vagrant	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044477">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044477</a>	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044481">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044481</a>

<sup>1</sup> Species that your vessels catch (landed, transhipped or discarded) WITHIN your area of national jurisdiction.

<sup>2</sup> Species that your flag vessels are engaged in catching (landed, transhipped or discarded) OUTSIDE of your national jurisdiction limits. This also includes those vessels with the potential to take these species.

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Scientific name	Common name (English)						
<i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>	Shortfin Mako Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044478">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044478</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044482">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044482</a>
<i>Isurus paucus</i>	Longfin Mako Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant Vagrant	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044479">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044479</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044483">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044483</a>
<i>Lamna nasus</i>	Porbeagle	Extant (Resident)	Extant Vagrant	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044480">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044480</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044484">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044484</a>
<i>Manta alfredi</i> ( <i>Mobula alfredi</i> )	Reef Manta Ray	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044481">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044481</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044485">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044485</a>
<i>Manta birostris</i> ( <i>Mobula birostris</i> )	Manta Ray	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044482">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044482</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044486">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044486</a>
<i>Mobula eregoodootenkee</i> ( <i>Mobula eregoodoo</i> )	Longhorned Pygmy Devil Ray	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044483">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044483</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044487">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044487</a>
<i>Mobula hypostoma</i>	Atlantic Devil Ray	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				
<i>Mobula japonica</i> (Please enter information under	Japanese Devil Ray	Extant (Resident)					

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Scientific name	Common name (English)						
<i>Mobula mobular</i> )							
<i>Mobula kuhlii</i>	Shortfin Devil Ray	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044486">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044486</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044490">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044490</a>
<i>Mobula mobular</i>	Giant Devil Ray	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044487">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044487</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044491">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044491</a>
<i>Mobula munkiana</i>	Pygmy Devil Ray	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044488">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044488</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044492">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044492</a>
<i>Mobula rochebrunei</i> (Please enter information under <i>Mobula hypostoma</i> )	Lesser Guinean Devil Ray	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				
<i>Mobula tarapacana</i>	Sicklefin Devil Ray	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044490">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044490</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044494">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044494</a>
<i>Mobula thurstoni</i>	Bentfin Devil Ray	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044491">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044491</a>	Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044495">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044495</a>
<i>Pristis clavata</i>	Dwarf Sawfish	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				
<i>Pristis pectinata</i>	Smalltooth Sawfish	Doesn't Occur	Extinct	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044493">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044493</a>	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044497">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044497</a>

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Scientific name	Common name (English)						
<i>Pristis pristis</i>	Large tooth Sawfish	Possibly Extinct	Extinct	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044494">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044494</a>	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044498">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044498</a>
<i>Pristis zijsron</i>	Green Sawfish	Possibly Extinct	Extinct	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044495">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044495</a>	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044499">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044499</a>
<i>Rhincodon typus</i>	Whale Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044496">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044496</a>	Taking does not occur	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044500">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044500</a>
<i>Rhinobatos rhinobatos</i>	Common Guitarfish	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				
<i>Rhynchobatus australiae</i>	Bottlenose Wedgefish	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				
<i>Rhynchobatus djiddensis</i>	Whitespotted Wedgefish	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking occurs		Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044499">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044499</a>
<i>Rhynchobatus laevis</i>	Smoothnose Wedgefish	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				
<i>Sphyrna lewini</i>	Scalloped Hammerhead Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking potentially occurs		Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044499">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044499</a>
<i>Sphyrna mokarran</i>	Great Hammerhead Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking potentially occurs		Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044500">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044500</a>

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Scientific name	Common name (English)						
<i>Sphyrna zygaena</i>	Smooth Hammerhead Shark	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking potentially occurs		Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044501">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044501</a>
<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Spiny Dogfish	Extant (Resident)	Extant (Resident)	Taking potentially occurs		Taking potentially occurs	<a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044502">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.2989/1814232X.2015.1044502</a>
<i>Squatina squatina</i>	Angelshark	Doesn't Occur	Doesn't Occur				

Species		Details of protection measures or managed fisheries for each species	Details of regulations currently being proposed or implemented for each species	Details of conservation measures for each species	Comments, including sources of information, resources and links
Scientific name	Common name (English)				
<i>Alopias pelagicus</i>	Pelagic Thresher Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Decommercialisation of this species has been recommended to the fisheries branch of the national dept.	This species has been identified to be placed on the national Threatened and Protected species list which bans and regulates extractive use	
<i>Alopias superciliosus</i>	Bigeye Thresher Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Decommercialisation of this species has been recommended to the fisheries branch of the national dept.	This species has been identified to be placed on the national Threatened and Protected species list which bans and regulates extractive use	
<i>Alopias vulpinus</i>	Common Thresher Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Decommercialisation of this species has been recommended to the fisheries branch of the national dept.	This species has been identified to be placed on the national Threatened and Protected species list which bans and regulates extractive use	
<i>Anoxypristis cuspidata</i>	Narrow Sawfish				
<i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>	Silky Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	This species has been identified to be placed on the national Threatened and Protected species list which bans and regulates extractive use	Has been recorded in central KZN to Mozambique border. Recorded in the bycatch of prawn trawl fishery and is suspected to be caught in pelagic longline	
<i>Carcharhinus longimanus</i>	Oceanic Whitetip Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	This species has been identified to be placed on the national Threatened and Protected species list which bans and regulates extractive use	Taken in pelagic longline and small pelagic trawl fisheries as bycatch	
<i>Carcharhinus obscurus</i>	Dusky Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	This species has been identified to be placed on the national Threatened and Protected species list which bans and regulates extractive use	Recorded in Bather protection, commercial and recreational line fisheries, demersal and pelagic longlines, gill and beach seine, prawn trawl	
<i>Carcharodon carcharias</i>	Great White Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	This species has been prohibited in fisheries since 1992 and is nationally protected		
<i>Cetorhinus maximus</i>	Basking Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	This species has been prohibited in fisheries since 1992 and is nationally protected		

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<i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>	Shortfin Mako Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>			
<i>Isurus paucus</i>	Longfin Mako Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Known from a single specimen taken of the cape coast		
<i>Lamna nasus</i>	Porbeagle	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Recorded as bycatch in the small pelagic fisheries.		
<i>Manta alfredi</i> ( <i>Mobula alfredi</i> )	Reef Manta Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Manta birostris</i> ( <i>Mobula birostris</i> )	Manta Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Mobula eregoodootenkee</i> ( <i>Mobule eregoodoo</i> )	Longhorned Pygmy Devil Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Mobula hypostoma</i>	Atlantic Devil Ray				
<i>Mobula japonica</i> (Please enter information under	Japanese Devil Ray				

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<i>Mobula mobular</i> )					
<i>Mobula kuhlii</i>	Shortfin Devil Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Mobula mobular</i>	Giant Devil Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Mobula munkiana</i>	Pygmy Devil Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Mobula rochebrunei</i> (Please enter information under <i>Mobula hypostoma</i> )	Lesser Guinean Devil Ray				
<i>Mobula tarapacana</i>	Sicklefin Devil Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Mobula thurstoni</i>	Bentfin Devil Ray	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Mobula sp are listed as threatened and are protected nationally	Species recorded in bycatch in the bather safety program and small pelagic trawl.	
<i>Pristis clavata</i>	Dwarf Sawfish				
<i>Pristis pectinata</i>	Smalltooth Sawfish	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020october.pdf</a>	Despite being considered extinct in national waters all <i>pristis</i> sp are listed a protected nationally		

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<i>Pristis pristis</i>	Large tooth Sawfish	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Despite being considered extinct in national waters all <i>pristis</i> sp are listed a protected nationally		
<i>Pristis zijsron</i>	Green Sawfish	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Despite being considered extinct in national waters all <i>pristis</i> sp are listed a protected nationally		
<i>Rhincodon typus</i>	Whale Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	species is nationally protected		
<i>Rhinobatos rhinobatos</i>	Common Guitarfish				
<i>Rhynchobatus australiae</i>	Bottlenose Wedgefish				
<i>Rhynchobatus djiddensis</i>	Whitespotted Wedgefish	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Species has been prohibited in the commercial fisheries		
<i>Rhynchobatus laevis</i>	Smoothnose Wedgefish				
<i>Sphyrna lewini</i>	Scalloped Hammerhead Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Species has been prohibited in the commercial fisheries		
<i>Sphyrna mokarran</i>	Great Hammerhead Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Species has been prohibited in the commercial fisheries		

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<i>Sphyrna zygaena</i>	Smooth Hammerhead Shark	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Species has been prohibited in the commercial fisheries	Southern african population is not considered threatened	
<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Spiny Dogfish	<a href="https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf">https://www.dffe.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/sharksconservationmanagement_nationaplanofaction_review2020 october.pdf</a>	Bycatch in Demersal trawl, comm linefishery, demersal longline, gill and beach seine nets		
<i>Squatina squatina</i>	Angelshark				