



REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

SEA CUCUMBER REGULATIONS OF

2012

# MARSHALL ISLANDS MARINE RESOURCES AUTHORITY

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These Regulations are hereby promulgated to promote the sustainable use, the proper conservation and management, and export of sea cucumbers in the Republic of the Marshall Islands by: providing for certain conservation and management measures, prohibiting the export of sea cucumbers without authorization by the Director; providing for certain prohibitions on gear, sea cucumber species, areas, exports and requirements for fishery monitoring; providing for a procedure for submitting and accepting applications; and matters related thereto.

### PART I – PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short Title

These Regulations may be cited as the Sea Cucumber Regulations of 2012

#### 2. Interpretation

Unless otherwise expressed, terms and phrase used in these Regulations shall have the same meanings as defined in the Marshall Islands Marine Resources Act (51MIRC Ch. 1):

- (1) “Act” means the Acts in Title 51 of the Marshall Islands Revised Code;
- (2) “Authority” means the Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority;
- (3) “Authorized officer” means any person or category of persons appointed under section 503 of 51MIRC Ch. 5;
- (4) “Bech-de-mer” means the processed boiled, smoked or dried sea cucumber product also referred to as trepang;
- (5) “Board” means the Board of the Marshall Island Marine Resources Authority;

- (6) "Designated fishery" means any fishery designated in accordance with section 207 of 51 MIRC Ch. 2;
- (7) "Director" means the Director of the Authority;
- (8) "Sea Cucumber Export Permit" means a permit issued by the Director under section 18 of these regulations;
- (9) "Sea Cucumber" means all animals belonging to the Class Holothuria whether live, fresh or processed;
- (10) "Sea Cucumber Aquaculture License" means a license issued by the Director to produce sea cucumber by hatchery technology, or cultivating sea cucumbers in natural environments;
- (11) "Sea Cucumber Export License" means a license issued by the Director under Part III of these regulations;
- (12) "Sea Cucumber Export Licensee" means a person who holds a Sea Cucumber Export License;
- (13) "Open Season" means a period where sea cucumber can be harvested, processed, transported and sold;
- (14) "Closed Season" means a period where sea cucumbers are prohibited to be harvested;
- (15) "Permanent No Fishing Area" means an area where fishing is prohibited;
- (16) "Rotational No Fishing Area" means an area where fishing is prohibited from time to time

### **3. Purpose.**

These Regulations are hereby promulgated to ensure, inter alia, that:

- (a) the sea cucumber fishery is sustainable, and has minimal impact on the marine and coastal environments; and
- (b) the communities enjoy optimum economic returns from the sea cucumber fishery.

## **PART II - COVSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES**

### **4. General Measures.**

(1) Local Governments in consultation with the Authority may adopt conservation and management measures, not limited to the following:

- (a) provide through Ordinance mechanisms for regulating the harvest of sea cucumber;
- (b) provide through Ordinances, the establishment of a network of permanent or rotational 'no fishing areas' for sea cucumber;
- (c) declare through Ordinance, sea cucumber 'Harvest seasons';
- (d) declare through Ordinance sea cucumber 'Closed Seasons';
- (e) establish through Ordinance, systems of best practices regarding processing sea cucumber to improve product quality and minimize environmental damage;
- (f) develop an agreeable system of fair distribution of the sea cucumber resource amongst communities;
- (g) establish through Ordinance, systems of monitoring the stocks and catches; and
- (h) establish sea cucumber cooperatives to ensure resource sustainability, improved processing standards and the coordination of exports;

## **5. Open or closed seasons**

(1) Subject to section 6, the Local Government in consultation with the Authority, may declare the whole or any part of the year to be 'open' or 'closed' seasons with regards to specific or general sea cucumber fishing areas;

(2) The Authority and the relevant Local Government Council shall give public notice of the period declared for 'open' or 'closed' harvest seasons, and the restrictions placed on the harvesting, processing and disposal of sea cucumbers from relevant islands.

(3) A person who contravenes the measures imposed under subsection (1) and (2) , commits an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not exceeding five thousand (\$5,000), in addition to the value of sea cucumber seized.

## **6. Precautionary Measures.**

(1) Where the Authority have evidence to believe that sea cucumber stocks in the waters of the Marshall Islands or any particular Atoll is under stress or threat, the Authority may take precautionary management measures to preserve the stocks. These measures may include, but limited to the following:

- (a) declaring the closure of whole or any part of the Marshall Islands waters from harvesting, or exports of sea cucumber for a duration of time;
- (b) prohibiting the capture, processing and export of certain species of sea cucumbers;
- (c) prohibiting capture, processing and exports of certain species of sea cucumbers from certain islands or atolls; and
- (d) imposing other restrictions on activities that may have adverse impact on sea cucumbers.

(2) A person who contravenes any precautionary measures imposed under these Regulations commits an offence, and upon conviction shall be liable to a fine of not less than one thousand

(\$1,000) and not exceeding ten thousand (\$10,000) in addition to the value of sea cucumbers seized.

### **PART III – EXPORT OF SEA CUCUMBER**

#### **7. Prohibition Against Export of Sea Cucumber Without A License.**

(1) No person shall export sea cucumber for commercial purpose without authorization by the Authority issued in the form of a license.

(2) A person who contravenes this section commits an offence and shall, upon conviction, be liable to:

(a) a fine of not less than twenty five thousand (\$25,000) and not exceeding hundred thousand (\$100,000); and

(b) in an amount equivalent to the current retail value of the sea-cucumber that person has in possession.

#### **8. Licenses to be Determined through a Transparent Selection Process.**

To ensure the proper conservation and management of the sea cucumber fishery, and that the communities concerned enjoy optimum economic benefits from the fishery, Sea Cucumber Export Licenses shall be awarded through a transparent selection process in accordance with Part VI.

#### **9. Maximum Number of Sea Cucumber Export Licenses.**

(1) The Director, subject to the approval of the Board, may grant a maximum of three (3) Sea Cucumber Export Licenses within any given license period. The Authority may review the number of export license from time to time.

(2) A Sea Cucumber Export Licensee shall not hold more than one sea-cucumber export license at any one time. This restriction applies to any manner of holding, whether as a legal holder, a beneficial holder, a part holder or by use of any nominee.

- (3) A license period shall be for three years from July 1 to June 30, which shall be subject to annual review and payment of annual license fees.

#### **PART IV – LICENSING:**

##### **10. Procedure for invitations to apply for sea cucumber export license.**

(1) Upon the promulgation of these Regulations and thereafter, and at the expiration of each licensing period, the Director shall issue an invitation to all persons, corporations, business associations and entities intending to export sea cucumber for commercial purposes, to submit an application for a Sea Cucumber Export License.

(2) The invitation to apply for licenses shall be published in a general circulation including newspapers in Majuro and Ebeye for a period of one month.

(3) The publication of the invitation to apply shall state the following:

- (a) the type of license;
- (b) the application fee;
- (c) the license fee;
- (d) background information required by the Director;
- (e) locations in Majuro and Ebeye where application forms may be obtained;
- (f) locations in Majuro and Ebeye where applications must be submitted; and
- (g) the final date for submission of applications.

##### **11. License Applications Generally.**

(1) Applications for a Sea Cucumber Export License shall be submitted to the Director in the form prescribed in Schedule 1 of these Regulations.

- (2) The applicant shall ensure that the form is completed, and that all information requested on the form is adequately provided.
- (3) No application shall be accepted from a person under the age of 18 years.
- (4) All completed application forms shall be submitted to the Director.
- (5) Applications must be accompanied by all information and or records requested by the Director, and the application fee prescribed in Schedule 2 of these Regulations.
- (6) The payment and acceptance of the appropriate application fee does not constitute approval of the application. The payment of application fees shall not be refundable.

**12. Procedure for Accepting Applications.**

- (1) Unless otherwise provided for under these regulations, all applications must be submitted by the closing date as specified in the invitation for applications. Any late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- (2) The Director shall review the applications, and subject to the approval of the Board shall make a determination within 30 days of the closing date and the result of such determination shall be communicated to the successful applicants within 7 days from the date of determination and with requirements to be complied with before a license is issued.
- (3) The Director, subject to the approval of the Board, shall issue the license to the successful applicants not later than seven (7) days after the applicants have been informed of the result, and after the payment of applicable annual license fee prescribed in Schedule 2 of these Regulations. The successful applicant shall pay the required fees within 7 days of the notice. If the applicant does not pay the required fees within the 7 days period, the Director may replace that applicant with the applicant who came next in the application process.

**13. Criteria for Issuance of License.**

- (1) In determining whether or not to issue a License to an applicant, the Director shall take into consideration matters, including but not limited to the following:
  - (a) whether the person, corporation, business association or entity is registered with Social Security Administration in the RMI and the date of registration;

- (b) the management structure and nature of the corporation, business association or entity;
- (c) the purpose, scope and objectives of the corporation, business association or entity;
- (d) anticipated capital contributions, revenue and expenditure and whether generated income will be invested in the RMI;
- (e) the level of beneficial ownership of the corporation, business association or entity by citizens of the RMI;
- (f) whether the corporation, business association or entity gives employment preference to citizens of the RMI and whether it will provide training for citizens of the RMI for management positions and other levels;
- (g) the prices the corporation, business association or entity will be offering to local harvesters;
- (h) whether the corporation, business association or entity has storage facilities which are adequate and secure and meets acceptable health standard;
- (i) any history of co-operation and compliance with conservation and management measures imposed by the Authority;
- (j) Whether the corporation, business association or entity has well established connection with buyers at overseas markets;
- (k) whether the corporation, business association or entity has complied with the relevant Laws of the Republic;
- (l) whether the corporation, business association or entity has been issued licenses by Local Governments;
- (m) any history of business operation in Atolls or Islands of Marshall Islands;
- (n) whether the corporation, business association or entity will provide training for citizens of RMI in appropriate sea cucumber processing methods; and
- (n) whether the corporation, business association or entity has a plan and ability to cooperate and assist in the management and conservation of sea cucumbers.

(2) The Director shall review all the applications against these considerations, and any other matter set forth under the Act and these Regulations, and to determine from amongst the applicants, the three (3) applicants that best meet the criteria, and to advise the three (3) applicants concerned, on the outcome of the license application process in accordance with these Regulations. Unsuccessful applicants will also be notified accordingly.

**14. Conditions of License.**

(1) All licenses issued under these Regulations shall, in addition to the conditions that may be set out under the Act and schedule 3, be further subjected to the following conditions:

- (a) licenses shall not be issued unless the required fees are paid;
- (b) sea cucumber export licenses are non transferable;
- (c) a sea cucumber export licensee will allow and assist any authorized enforcement officer to carry out his/her duties including, the inspection of processing, packing and export facilities, inspection of reporting log forms, taking photographs and collection of specimen if necessary; and
- (e) the licensee shall not directly or indirectly be involved in the harvest of sea cucumber.

(2) A sea cucumber export licensee who contravenes the conditions of a license commits an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than five thousand (\$5,000) and not exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000). In addition, the license may be suspended or revoked.

**15. Data Collection.**

(1) A sea cucumber export licensee must complete a monthly log sheet detailing, the quantity of sea cucumber by species purchased or received from any Atoll or Island on a monthly basis in accordance with the prescribed form in schedule 4.

(2) A sea cucumber export licensee that contravenes subsection (1) of this section, commits an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than one thousand (\$1,000) and not exceeding ten thousand (\$10,000) or the license may be suspended or revoked, or both.

**PART V – PROHIBITIONS**

**16. Gear Prohibition.**

(1) No person shall harvest sea cucumbers in any other manner, except:

- (a) by hand picking,

- (b) either through free diving, or wading, and
  - (c) only during daylight hours.
- (2) All other methods of harvesting of sea cucumber, other than as provided under subsection (1), are hereby prohibited.
- (3) A person who contravenes the prohibition in subsection (1) commits an offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than one thousand (\$1,000) and not exceeding twenty thousand (\$20,000), in addition to the value of sea cucumber seized.
- (4) Any sea cucumber harvested in contravention of the prohibition in subsection (1), and all gears used in the unlawful harvest of sea cucumbers, shall be subject to forfeiture.

**17. Species Prohibitions and Restricted Areas.**

(1) No person shall:

- (a) collect, harvest or possess sea cucumbers smaller than the live or wet lengths for the species provided in schedule 5.
- (b) possess dried sea cucumber smaller than the processed dry lengths provided in schedule 5;
- (c) collect and export sea cucumber as an ornamental or aquarium fish, without prior authorization by the Authority;
- (d) collect or possess species which has been prohibited from harvest or declared as endangered or protected sea cucumber species; and
- (e) fish or collect sea cucumber within areas established as protected areas by the national government, local governments, and areas declared as world heritage sites by UNESCO.

(2) A person who contravenes subsection (1) commits an offence, and upon conviction, shall be liable to a fine not less than one thousand (\$1,000) and not exceeding twenty thousand (\$20,000), in addition to the value of sea cucumber seized in contravention of the subsection (1), and all gears used in the unlawful harvest of sea cucumber, shall be subject to forfeiture.

(3) A sea cucumber export licensee who holds more than 5% in volume of undersized sea cucumber product by species, commits an offence, and upon conviction, shall be liable to a fine not less than ten times the value of the undersized product and or the license may be suspended or revoked.

**18. Export Prohibitions and Requirements.**

(1) The export of sea cucumber shall be conducted in accordance with the packing standards as may be prescribe by the Authority.

(2) The export of parts of, or damaged sea cucumber, is prohibited under these Regulations.

(3) Prior to the export of any consignment of sea cucumber, a sea cucumber export licensee is required to file with the Director a “Sea Cucumber Export Declaration Form,” in accordance with the prescribed form in schedule 6 detailing the species, quantity, export destination and value, and shall comply with requirements in these Regulations. Upon the satisfaction of the Director or a designee of compliance with the requirements and conditions in these Regulations, the Sea Cucumber Export Permit, as prescribed in Schedule 7, shall be issued.

(4) A sea cucumber export licensee is required under these Regulations to:

(a) pack the sea cucumber separately by species; and

(b) clearly label the containers with the species name, quantity of the product, and the licence number of the exporter.

(5) A sea cucumber export licensee who holds more than 5% in volume of broken sea cucumber product commits an offence, and upon conviction, shall be liable to a fine not less than ten times the value of the volume of broken sea cucumber and the license may be suspended or revoked.

**19. Export For Personal Consumption Exempted.**

(1) The export of sea cucumber for personal consumption is exempted from the provisions of these Regulations, provided that:

(a) the consignment is limited to 12 pieces per person, and

(b) the consignment is not intended to be sold for commercial purposes.

(2) A person intending to export sea cucumber for personal consumption must apply to the Authority for a permit.

(3). A person who export sea cucumber for personal consumption without a permit issued by the Authority commits an offence and shall be deemed to have exported sea cucumber without a License under section 7.

## **20. Sea Cucumber Aquaculture Requirements**

(1) No person shall carry out any activities, or related activities, to produce sea cucumber by hatchery technology, or sea cucumber ranching, without a Sea Cucumber Aquaculture License, issued by the Director in a prescribed form.

(2) A person who intends to carry out the activities of sea cucumber hatchery, aquaculture or sea cucumber ranching, shall first submit an application to the Director for a Sea Cucumber Aquaculture License.

(3) An application for a Sea Cucumber Aquaculture License, shall be submitted with, but not limited to the following:

- (a) proposal outlining the proposed operations and its objectives;
- (b) goals to be achieved, the types of activities the operation shall undertake;
- (c) source and quantity of brood stock species;
- (d) site of proposed operation;
- (e) monthly or yearly production;
- (f) an evaluation of environmental impacts, and procedures the operation shall undertake to avoid detrimental environmental impacts;
- (g) business plan, indicators to measure the success of the operation and other information as may be required by the Director; and
- (f) any other requirement required by the Director

(4) A person who contravenes the prohibition in this section commits an offence and shall, upon conviction, be liable to fine not less than five thousand (\$5,000) and not exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000). In addition to the fine, the facilities and the sea cucumber stock shall be subject to forfeiture.

**21. Suspension and Revocation of Sea Cucumber Export License.**

The Authority may suspend or revoke a Sea Cucumber Export License where the sea cucumber export Licensee:

- (a) has violated, or is unable to comply with the conditions of the license;
- (b) has been convicted of any offence under the fisheries Laws and these Regulations.

**22. Control of Price.**

(1) The Authority may by resolution, set the minimum buying price for sea cucumber for any given period of time.

(2) When purchasing sea cucumber from local harvesters, all Sea Cucumber Export Licensee are required to comply with the minimum price set by the Authority under subsection (1).

(3) A sea cucumber export licensee, or their agents, who purchase, attempt to purchase, or purport to purchase sea cucumber from local harvesters below the minimum price set by the Authority, commits an offence, and shall, upon conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than five thousand (\$5,000) and not exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000) and or the license may be suspended for a given period of time or revoked.

**PART VI- PROMULGATION, EFFECTIVE DATE AND TRANSITION**

**23. Effective date**

These Regulations come into force on the date of promulgation as set below

**24. Promulgation.**

Pursuant to the Powers vested in the Authority by the Act, and with the approval of Cabinet, pursuant to Cabinet Minute ....., these Regulations are hereby promulgated.

## **25. Transitional period**

- (1) The purpose of this transitional period is to give everyone who has stock piled sea cucumber to dispose them off at one time before the full implementation of these Regulations.
- (2) On the date of coming into force of these regulations, the Authority shall allow a two months transitional period for a person intending to export sea cucumber to apply for one-time export permit for the purpose of disposing all sea cucumber in stock. A public notice for the two months transitional period shall be put in a general circulation including newspapers in Majuro and Ebeye.
- (3) A person seeking a one-time export permit in subsection (2) shall comply with, but not limited to the following:
  - a. all sea cucumber shall be packed by species;
  - b. provide details of weight, Atoll and Island where and when the sea cucumber were collected;
  - c. no sea cucumber that are collected after the date of coming into force of these regulations shall be allowed to be exported;
  - d. all sea cucumber in stock shall be subject to inspection;
  - e. payment of fees as prescribed by the Authority; and
  - f. Any other requirements and conditions as may be imposed by the Director.
- (4) The one-time export permit shall be issued upon the satisfactory of the Director or a designee of compliance with the requirements and conditions before exporting sea cucumber.
- (5) At the expiry of the transitional period, no person shall be allowed to export sea cucumber, except those who have been awarded an export license in accordance with these regulations.

## Sea Cucumber License Application Form

Instructions: *Underline surnames or family name*  
*Answer all the questions on this form either by filling in the spaces provided or providing information on additional sheets of paper.*  
*If not applicable, write N/A*

Address to: The Director  
 Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority  
 PO Box 860, Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960  
 Telephone : (692) 625-8262/5632 ; Fax: (692) 625-5447

I hereby apply for a license to export sea cucumber from the Republic of Marshall Islands at a place and in the manner described below:

Name of applicant	
Nationality	
Produce photo page of valid passport (of owner)	Attachment 1
Address and location of exporting establishment	
Name and address of owner of exporting establishment	
Contact details of owner of exporting establishment (Phone, Fax, Email)	
Provide original or certified copy of the applicant's Foreign Investment Business License or the original or certified copy of the applicant's Local Government Business License	Attachment 2
Provide proof of registration, certificate of incorporation, evidence of employer identification number issued by RMI Social Security Administration and shareholders information (if any)	Attachment 3
Business Plan Structure of Business, Cashflow, Staffing (provide list of RMI staff and positions within the business) List the processing and business management training offered to RMI staff, Anticipated export quantities, [If applicant is a corporation, business association or other entity, provide the names of all individuals who own, shares or other forms of equity or interest in such a company, or who are otherwise	Attachment 4

involved in any way as beneficiary owner(s), proprietor(s), manager(s), employee(s) or agent(s) of the business]	
Police Report or violations of Fisheries, Environment, EPA, Tax or Labor laws (if any)	Attachment 5
Species to be exported and source (atolls/islands) of supply	Attachment 6
Provide list and address of your overseas buyers	Attachment 7
Provide list of prices by species and product you intend to pay local fishers (product = unprocessed, part processed, frozen, fully processed)	Attachment 8
Application Fee	Attachment 9

I declare that I have answered all the questions truthfully and to the best of my knowledge and that I am required to report any changes in the information contained in this form to the Director of Marshall Islands Marine Resource Authority within 7 days of the change.

Signature of Applicant: ..... Date:.....

## Schedule 2

### Fees

Sea Cucumber Export License Application fee:	USD\$30.00
Sea Cucumber Export License Annual License fee	USD\$10,000.00
Sea Cucumber Export Permit fee	USD\$50.00
Inspection fee (hours)	USD\$50.00 (after office hours)

All fees are non refundable

**SEA CUCUMBER EXPORT LICENSE**



**REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

**Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority**

P.O. BOX 860 Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960

<b>License No.:</b>	<b>EXPORTER:</b>				
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<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Specific Terms and Conditions of License</i></p> <p><b>Permission:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Exports out of Majuro or Ebeye (<i>or for one island only</i>)</li> <li>2) Purchase of Sea Cucumber for exports from the atoll(s) of xxxx, xxxx, xxxx, xxxx (<i>List Islands</i>)</li> <li>3) Under this license sea cucumber species XX, XX, XX, XX are permitted for packaging and exports, all other species are prohibited.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Period of Validity</i></p> <p>Subject to the Sea Cucumber Regulations 2012 made thereunder, this License is valid from the 00<sup>th</sup> day of Month YYYY to the 00<sup>th</sup> day of Month YYYY.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <div data-bbox="280 1347 773 1427" style="border: 1px solid black; width: 300px; height: 38px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> <p data-bbox="477 1432 574 1457">Director</p> <p data-bbox="477 1491 574 1517">MIMRA</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <div data-bbox="943 1347 1341 1427" style="border: 1px solid black; width: 245px; height: 38px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> <p data-bbox="1114 1432 1170 1457">Date</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"><b>THIS LICENSE IS NOT TRANSFERABLE</b></p>					

## Conditions for Sea Cucumber Export License

### RESTRICTED PRACTICES

As a sea cucumber export Licensee, I understand that:

1. I must not be involved in any fishing activities or provide fishing gears such as boats, outboard engine or diving gears to fishers for collecting sea cucumbers;
2. I must not trade or purchase any beche-de-mer from any area not specified in the license;
3. I must not purchase sea cucumber from islands/atolls during closed sea cucumber seasons;
4. I must not export any species that are smaller than the dried forms as specified by regulations;
5. I must not pack or export broken or damaged sea cucumber;
6. I may not purchase sea cucumbers collected from areas established by national or local governments as reserves, parks, sanctuaries or sites of archaeological importance;
7. I must provide true, complete and accurate information in the forms provided for by MIMRA;
8. I must declare all current beche-de-mer in stock to the Marshall Islands Marine Resource Authority within 14 days after the end of the specified open season;
9. I must provide true and accurate information on the beche-de-mer packing logsheet and submit to Marshall Islands Marine Resource Authority on a timely basis;
10. I will provide training or assistance in appropriate sea cucumber processing and packaging when requested;
11. MIMRA may refuse to issue an export permit if I provide misleading, false information or I do not declare all sea cucumber intended for export;
12. Upon request, I must present my license to any authorized officer;
13. Upon request, I must allow my catch, storage facility or packaged consignments of sea cucumbers intended for exports to be inspected by any authorized officer;
14. I will be subject to inspection fees and export permit fees;
15. I am responsible for renewing my license even without notification from MIMRA. Unless some other expiration period is specified, licenses are valid no longer than three years from the issuance date;
16. I am responsible for paying my license fee annually even without notification from MIMRA;
17. I am required to report any changes in the address to the Director of Marshall Islands Marine Resource Authority within 7 days of the change;
18. MIMRA may suspend or revoke my license if I do not comply with the terms and conditions of this license, and I may not renew a revoked license.

**Schedule 4:**

**Sea cucumber Monthly Log Form**

Send completed form to: The Director, Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority, PO Box 860, Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960, Telephone : (692) 625-8262/5632; Fax: (692) 625-5447

Name of Exporting company: .....

**Reporting Month: .....**  
 (To be submitted by the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the month following month of reporting, e.g., submit by 14<sup>th</sup> of June when reporting for May)

Sea Cucumber Export License No: .....

DATE	Full Name of fisher / collector	Species code	Number of pieces	Total Weight (lbs)	Source (Atoll/Island)	Product type*	Comments

Black teatfish (HFN) White teatfish (HFF) Prickly redfish (TFQ) Brown sandfish (BDV) Surf redfish (KUY)  
 Leopardfish (KUW) Curryfish (JCV) Greenfish (JCC) Elephant trunkfish (HOZ) Lollyfish (HFA) Amberfish (HLX) Pinkfish (HFE)

**\*Product Type: unprocessed (UP) semi-processed (SP) dried product (DP)**

Signature:.....

Sea cucumber Exporter

Date:.....

Signature:.....

Fisheries Authorized Officer/Inspector

Date:.....

**Schedule 5:**

**Minimum harvest sizes (wet length) and minimum purchase and export size (dry length)**

<b>Common name</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Scientific name</b>	<b>Wet length (inches)</b>	<b>Dry length (inches)</b>
Surf redfish	KUY	<i>Actinopyga mauritiana</i>	8	4
Leopardfish	KUW	<i>Bohadchia argus</i>	12	6
Brown sandfish	BDV	<i>Bohadschia vitiensis</i>	10	6
Lolly fish	HFA	<i>Holothuria atra</i>	8	3
Pinkfish	HFE	<i>Holothuria edulis</i>	8	4
White teatfish	HFF	<i>Holothuria fuscogilva</i>	12	6
Elephant trunkfish	HOZ	<i>Holothuria fuscopunctata</i>	14	6
Black teatfish	HFN	<i>Holothuria whitemaei</i>	10	5
Greenfish	JCC	<i>Stichopus chloronotus</i>	8	3
Curryfish	JCV	<i>Stichopus hermanni</i>	12	4
Prickly redfish	TFQ	<i>Theleota ananas</i>	12	6
Amberfish	HLX	<i>Theleota anax</i>	14	6

**Sea Cucumber Export Declaration Form**

Send completed form to: The Director, Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority, PO Box 860, Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960, Telephone : (692) 625-8262/5632; Fax: (692) 625-5447

Name of Exporting company: ..... Date of shipment:

Sea Cucumber Export License No.: ..... Export permit No.:

Sea Cucumber Species code	No. of bags	Number of pieces per bag	Total weight (pounds)	Export Destination	Value/Currency per pound
<b>TOTAL</b>					

Black teatfish (HFN) White teatfish (HFF) Prickly redfish (TFQ) Brown sandfish (BDV) Surf redfish (KUY)  
 Leopardfish (KUW) Curryfish (JCV) Greenfish (JCC) Elephant trunkfish (HOZ) Lollyfish (HFA) Amberfish (HLX) Pinkfish (HFE)

Signature:..... Signature:.....

Sea Cucumber Export Licensee  
 Date:.....

Fisheries Authorized Officer/Inspector  
 Date:.....

Sea Cucumber Export Permit



REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority  
 P.O. BOX 860 Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960

<b>ISSUING AUTHORITY</b> Executive Director Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority P. O. Box 860 Majuro, MH 96960 REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS				<b>PERMIT No.:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Export <input type="checkbox"/> Re-Export <input type="checkbox"/> Import <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		<b>COPY</b> COUNTRY OF ORIGIN  Security Stamp No.	
<b>EXPORTER (name &amp; address)</b>				<b>IMPORTER (name &amp; address)</b>			
Purpose Code	Description	Date Issued	Valid Until	Shipping Date	BL/Airway Bill #	Country of Import	
	Common Name	Scientific Name		Origin (atoll)	Size Range (inches)	Quantity (pieces)	Weight/Unit (lb/kg)
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							
9							
10							
<b>TOTAL</b>							

I, Glen Joseph, Director of the Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority, hereby certify that the shipment of sea cucumber covered by this document has been legally acquired in accordance with the laws and regulations of the RMI, will not be detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Inspector

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized by:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Title MIMRA Director

Date \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FOR OFFICIAL USE:</b>			
Port of Export		Majuro	
Row	Qty	Row	Qty
1		6	
2		7	
3		8	
4		9	
5		10	
(Security Stamp) GC002MMF09			

Valid for one shipment only

**Schedule 8:**

**Sea cucumber Packaging Label**

**Name of Exporting company:** .....

**Export Licence No:** .....

**Species:** .....

**Quantity: NUMBER/PIECES** ..... **WEIGHT(lbs.)**.....



REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS  
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**C.M. 159 (2012)**

**FOR ACTION**  
Minister of R&D

**FOR INFORMATION**  
Minister in Assistance

**SUBJECT:** Approval of the Sea Cucumber Regulations of 2012

At its meeting on October 22, 2012, the Cabinet:

**approved** the Sea Cucumber Regulations of 2012

  
Christopher deBrum  
Acting Clerk of the Cabinet

  
Christopher J. Loeak  
President

[Reference - C.P. 6731 (2012) ]  
Signed by the President on October \_\_\_\_, 2012