

SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC COMMUNITY**Fiji Basic Observer Course****Suva****28 September - 2 November 2013****TRAINING SCHEDULE****WEEK 1**

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0830	Introduction Course outline	24 Hour clock UTC time Latitude and Longitude	Tuna ID	Other species ID	Navigation test
1000	Break				
1030	Observer work Tuna Fisheries Intro. Longline Intro. Purse seine Videos	Chart and plotting course Bearing Distance	Billfish ID	Purse seine Non-target species ID	Various Data collection
1200	LUNCH				
1300	Course Assessment	Chart and plotting Sketch, distance	Shark ID	Code of Conduct (ROP)	Review Journal Written Trip report Introduction
1430	Break				
1500	Fisheries Observer Data collection Observer Journal	Chart work and plotting Course and distance	Review ID Video – Typical day at sea (NMFS)	Review species ID	Review weeks work
1630	CLOSE				

Week 2

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0830	Tuna ID Test	Billfish ID test	SSI- Dolphins SSI – toothed whales and Blackfish	Shark ID test Gen-3	LL-1 and 2/3 Test
1000	Break				
1030	SSI Turtles	LL- 1 Longline gear	LL 2/3 scenario exercise	SSI – Baleen whales	Purse seine Fishing Gear and operation
1200	LUNCH				
1300	Review Navigation test Tuna Longline fishing Video – JP LL (research) and small TW LL	LL - 2/3 JP LL setting and hauling operation	LL-4	SSI – Baleen whales	Purse seine Fishing Gear and operation
1430	Break				
1500	Gear and electronics LL and PS	LL - 2/3	LL-4 Scenario exercise	Review all SSI	Review LL written trip Report Journal
1630	CLOSE				

Week 3

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0830	Test LL – 4	Other species and non-target id test	Test PS-1	PS 3	Test PS-2

1000	Break				
1030	Test LL – 4	PS – 2	Test PS-1	PS 3	Test PS 2
1200	LUNCH				
1300	PS – 1	PS – 2 Exercises	Introduction to PS – 3 and 4	PS – 4	Gen 4 - Conversions Gen-1
1430	Break				
1500	PS – 1	Review PS – 2	PS – 3 Fish measuring and sampling	PS – 3 and 4 Scenario exercises	Review PS trip report
1630	CLOSE				

Week 4

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0830	Review PS 3 and 4 Scenario	SSI Test Turtle	Test on PS 3	PS – 4 Test	Gen 5 test
1000	Break				
1030	Floating object	CMM	Test on PS 3	PS – 4 Test	Pole and line intro Pole and line forms intro Group Photo
1200	LUNCH				
1300	Review PS-2 EC Review SSI	SSI Test (Whales and Dolphins) PS – 5	Gen – 6	Review PS-3 Test	Complete Journal
1430	Break				
1500	PS 5 well transfer	Review PS 3 US Treaty and Tuna sandwich (Video)	Gen – 2 Mitigation slides Review PS – 4	Retest LL- 2/3	Journal Submission
1630	Close				

Week 5

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0830	Observer Photograph	Tag recovery	Tag recovery Test	Final Test	Review Final

	How to take good photos				Test Review Journal
1000	Break				
1030	Photograph How to take good photos	Tag recovery	Tag recovery Test	Final Test	
1200	LUNCH				
1300	Tag Recovery	Reconciliation form Observer coordinator contact Trip Preparation and observer onboard	Port sampling (LL and PS) Logsheet (LL and PS) OFP website, data collection forms and PIRFO website.		
1430	Break				
1500	Tag Recovery	Placement form			Graduation and PIRFO Certificate