SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC COMMUNITY

FSM Basic Observer Course Pohnpei 3 November - 7 December 2013

TRAINING SCHEDULE

WEEK 1

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

Week 2

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
0830	Tuna ID Test	Billfish ID test	SSI- Dolphins	Shark ID test	LL-1 and 2/3 Test		
			SF				
			SSI – toothed whales		MA		
			and Blackfish	Gen-3 SF			
			SF				
1000	Break						
1030	SSI	LL- 1	LL 2/3 scenario	SSI – Baleen	Purse seine		
	Turtles		exercise IA	whales	Fishing		
	GE	Longline gear MA		SF	Gear and		
					operation		
					GE		
1200	LUNCH						
1300	Review	LL - 2/3	Navigation retest	SSI – Baleen	Purse seine		
	Navigation test			whales	Fishing		
		JP LL setting and	LL-4	SF	Gear and		
	Tuna Longline	hauling operation			operation		

	fishing Video – JP LL (research) and small TW LL SF	IA	MA		GE		
1430	Break						
1500	Gear and electronics LL and PS MA	LL - 2/3	LL-4 Scenario exercise	Review all SSI SF	Review LL written trip Report SF Journal		
1630	CLOSE						

Week 3

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
0830	Test LL – 4	Other species	Test PS-1	Review PS-2	Test PS-2	
		and non-target		scenario		
		id test		DG 2		
				PS 3		
1000	Break			GE		
		DG 4	m . ng 1	DG 4		
1030	Test LL – 4	PS – 2	Test PS-1	PS 4	Test PS 2	
		SF		MA		
		Sr				
1200	LUNCH					
1300	PS – 1	PS – 2 Exercises	Introduction to PS	PS – 4	Gen 4 - Conversions	
		SF	- 3 GE		SF	
	GE			MA		
					Gen-1 IA	
1430	Break					
1500	PS – 1	Review PS – 2	PS – 3	PS - 4	Review PS trip report	
	GE	SF	GE	Scenario exercises		
					MA	
1630	CLOSE					

Week 4

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0830	Dolphins Test	SSI Test	Test on PS 3	PS – 4 Test	Gen 5 test
	SF	Turtle			
	Review PS 4 Scenario	GE			
1000	Break				
1030	Floating object	CMM	Test on PS 3	PS – 4 Test	Biological sampling

	PPP	KS				
	SF					
1200	LUNCH					
1300	Review PS-2 Test	SSI Test	Gen – 6	Review PS-3 Test	Complete Journal and	
		(Whales)			Submission	
			MA			
1430	Break					
1500	PS 5 well transfer	US Treaty	Gen – 2			
		and Tuna		Pole and line intro		
	IA	sandwich	SF	Pole and line forms	Practical sampling and	
		(Video)		intro	BS demonstration	
	Gen 5	SF	Review PS – 4			
				SF	Malo	
	IA					
1630	Close					

Week 5

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0830	Pole and line form Test	Tag recovery	Tag recovery	Final Test	Review Final
		MH	Test		Test
	SF			SF	
					SF
					Danian Ianual
					Review Journal
					MA
1000	Break				
1030	Pole and line form Test	Tag recovery	Tag recovery	Final Test	
		MH	Test		
1200	LUNCH				
1300	Photograph	Reconciliation form	Retest		Handout
	How to take good photos	Observer			certificates
	a.p.	coordinator contact			
	SF	Trip Preparation and			
		observer onboard			
		SF			
1430	Break				
1500	Photograph	Placement form	Retest	Pre-selection	
	How to take good photos			Test	
		Retest			
	SF				
1630	Close				