

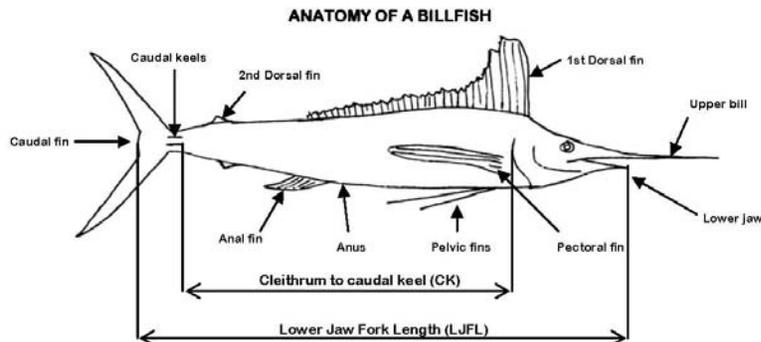
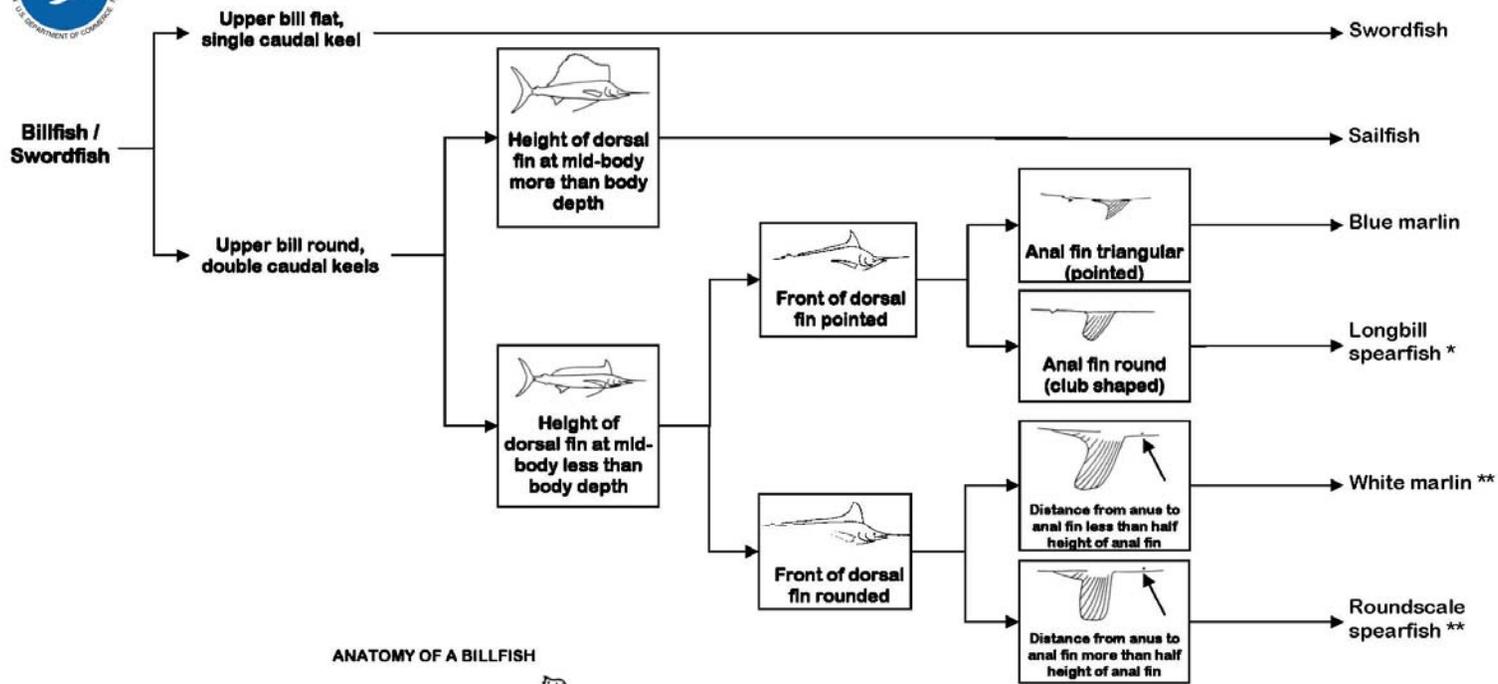
## **B.0 APPENDIX B: CARIBBEAN HMS IDENTIFICATION GUIDES**

As discussed in section 2.4, NOAA Fisheries received comments requesting that the Agency develop outreach documents that would aide fishermen in identifying HMS that they capture. In an attempt to respond to constituent requests, and to better collect species-specific catch data from the region, NOAA Fisheries has created a series of Caribbean HMS identification guides. These guides will be produced in both English and Spanish and will be made available to Caribbean HMS fishery participants. The English versions of the identification guides can be seen below.





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**\*\* SPECIAL NOTES:**  
 Roundscale spearfish—Front end of mid-body scales round and soft.  
 White marlin—Front end of mid-body scales pointed and stiff.

\* Possession prohibited

### FEDERAL BILLFISH REGULATIONS

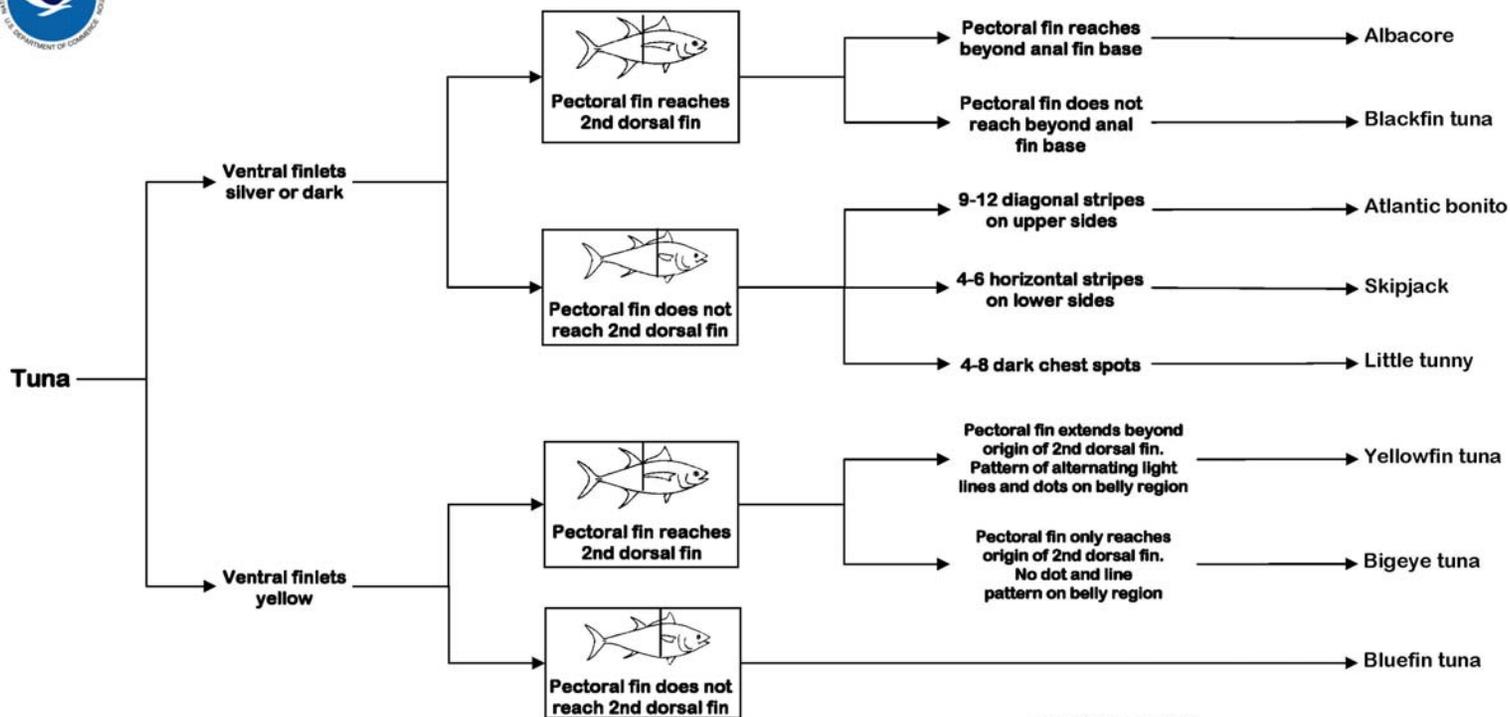
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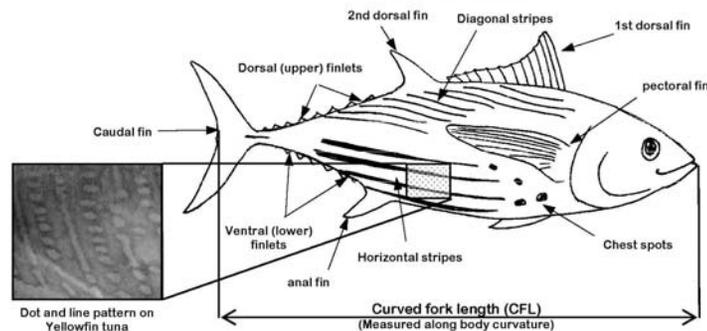
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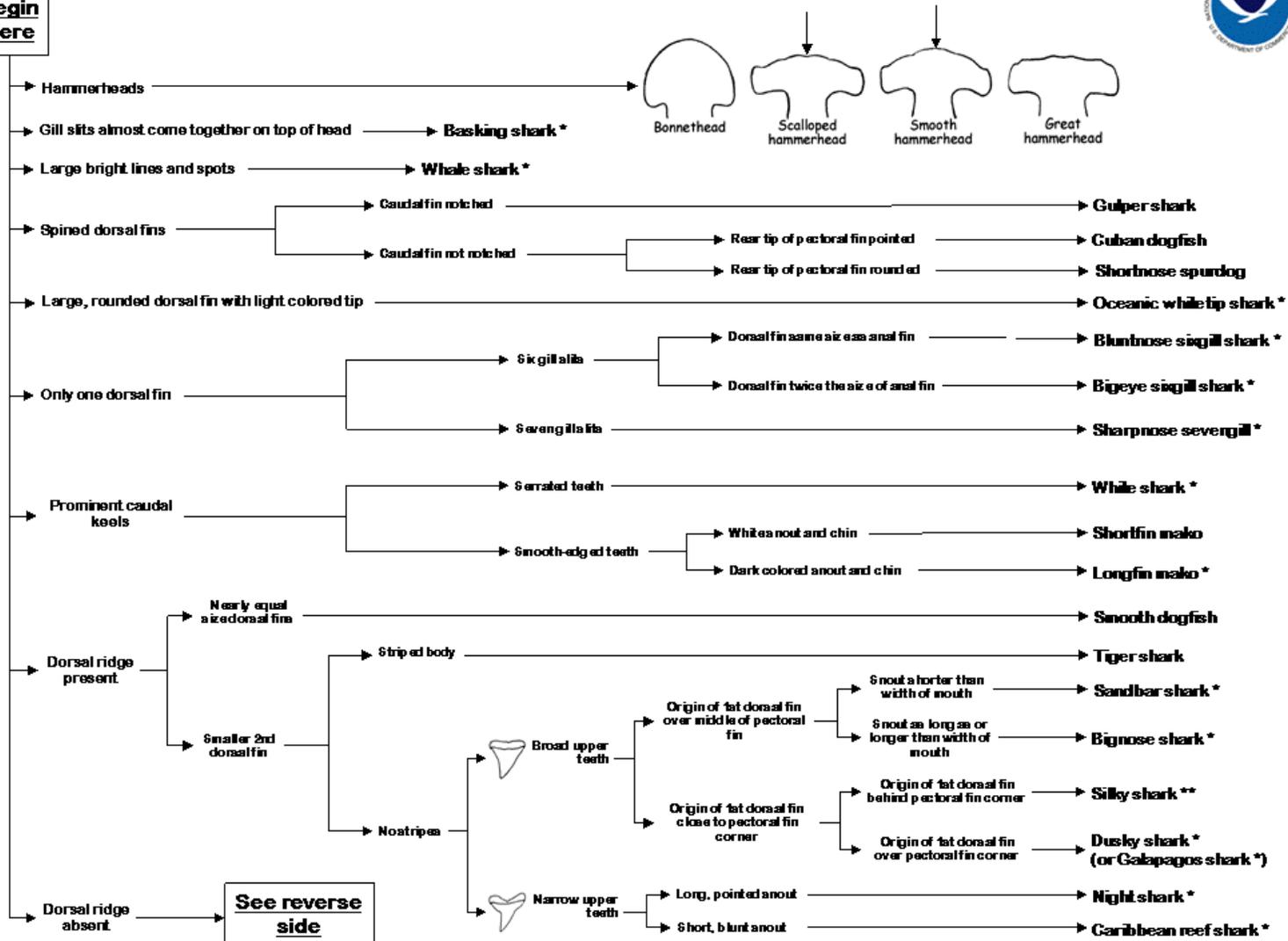
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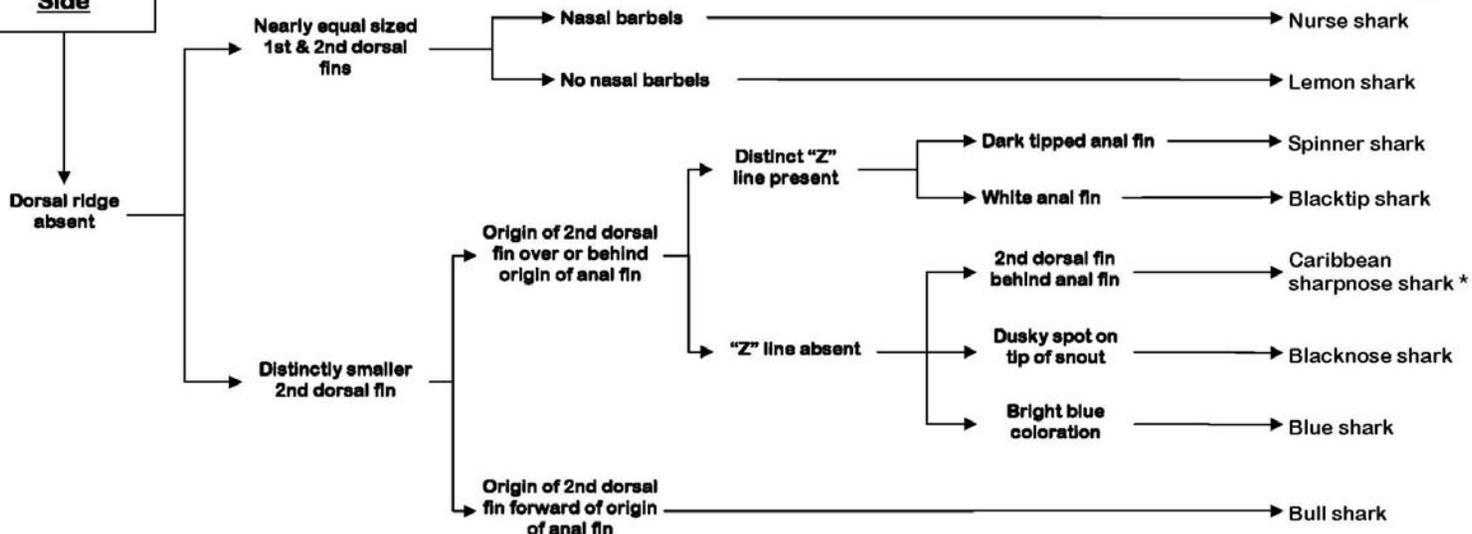
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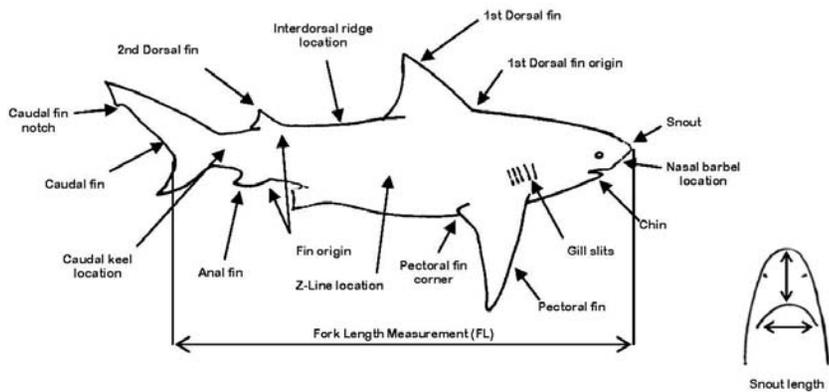
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**From Reverse Side**



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