

NOAA FISHERIES

Office of Law Enforcement

HMS AP Meeting OLE SED Update September 2023







OLE SED HMS Snapshot

- > 28 incidents open and ongoing
- > 10 incidents of compliance assistance
- ≻7 summary settlements
- ≻5 written warnings
- ➣ 5 Cases referred to General Counsel
- ➤ 4 open incidents involving observers HMS vessels.



NOVA's & SSO's

- \$11,000 Notice of Violation issued to a commercial fishing vessel out of Louisiana for possession of 95 sharks without a limited access permit. Case settled for \$6,400.
- \$2,000 Summary Settlement issued to recreational fisherman out of Florida for landing Giant Bluefin Tuna without HMS permit.
- \$1,400 Summary Settlement issued to a recreational fisherman out of Puerto Rico for fishing in a closed area and possession of a prohibited Caribbean Reef Shark.

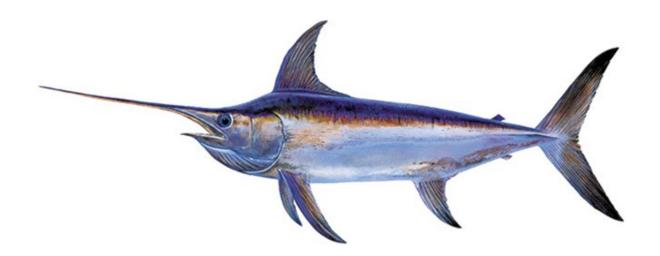






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- \$1000 Summary Settlement for Undersized yellowfin and big eye tuna on a Pelagic Longline Vessel.
- \$750 Summary Settlement for the possession of two blue marlin during a charter with one being under sized.





HMS Tournaments

NMFS OLE has shown presence at numerous HMS tournaments since teh last AP Meeting

- Big Rock
- Big Rock Kids
- Pirates Cove
- DU Band the Billfish
- White Marlin Open
- Swansboro Rotary
- Alabama Deep Sea Rodeo
- Lone Star Classic
- Texas Women Anglers Tournament
- Port Aransas Open



QUESTIONS



