Retrieval of previously reported lost fishing gear form

To operate legally and in compliance with the *Fisheries Act* and related regulations, commercial harvesters must follow the conditions of license in their permit. This includes mandatory reporting of the retrieval of any of their own previously reported lost gear within 24 hours of returning to port at the end of the fishing trip.

Privacy notice statement

The information you provide through the Fishing Gear Reporting System is collected under the authority of the *Fisheries Act* (section 9.1(2) and 9.2) and the *Fishery (General) Regulations* (section 22.1) for the purpose of the proper management and control of fisheries under DFO jurisdiction, and through section 6 authorizations to retrieve and dispose of abandoned, lost, or discarded fishing gear under the *Wrecked and Abandoned Hazardous Vessels Act*. The information may be used for compliance review, safety or security purposes, administration or enforcement of a law, the detection, prevention, or suppression of crime, and investigative purposes. Failure to provide this information may result in the suspension or cancellation of current licences and/or authorizations, and the denial of future requests for licences under the *Fisheries (General) Regulations*, or authorizations under

the *Wrecked and Abandoned Hazardous Vessels Act*. You have the right to the correction of, access to, and protection of your personal information under the *Privacy Act* and to file a complaint with the Privacy Commissioner of Canada over DFO's handling of your information. Personal information collected through the Fishing Gear Reporting System is described in the Personal Information Bank (PIB) MPO PPU 410 and DFO PPU 415.

***Fields with asterisk are mandatory**

Individual and licence information

***Region of licence issuance:**

- **Arctic**
- **Gulf**
- **Maritimes**
- **Newfoundland and Labrador**
- **Pacific**
- **Quebec**

***Date of report (DD/MM/YYYY):**

***First and last name of fishing vessel operator:**

***Fisher identification number (FIN):**

***Licence number:**

*Vessel registration number (VRN):

*Telephone:

*Email:

Retrieved gear information

*Date the gear was reported lost (DD/MM/YYYY):

*Date the gear was retrieved (DD/MM/YYYY):

*Coordinate system of retrieved gear:

- NAD 83
- WGS 84
- NAD 27

*Select coordinate format of retrieved gear:

- decimal degrees
- degrees decimal minutes

degrees minutes seconds

***Latitude:**

***Longitude:**

***Target species:**

***Fishery management area (e.g. LFA 27, NAFO 4X):**

*Gear type

- Trap
- Pot
- Buoy
- Rope
- Longline
- Net
- Seine
- Trawl
- Troll
- On-demand gear
- Aquaculture
- Gear tag

- [ ] Dredge
- [ ] Anchor

Other (please specify):

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*Was all lost gear retrieved?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

***Number of units retrieved:**

Sequential number(s) of the tag(s) attached to the retrieved fishing gear (Enter a number):

***Description of gear retrieved (e.g. vertical line, gear markers, etc):**

Estimated length of rope retrieved (in ft):

Estimated length of netting retrieved (in ft):

Number of buoys retrieved:

Buoy(s) description (e.g. markings, sequence number, colour, etc):

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