

**-- RECOMMENDATION --
FOR A SUPPLEMENTAL MANAGEMENT MEASURE
CONCERNING AGE ZERO BLUEFIN TUNA**

Recommendation adopted by the Commission at its Fifteenth Regular Meeting (Madrid, November 1997), Report for Biennial Period, 1996-1997 (Part II). Entered into force: June 13, 1998.

CONSIDERING the Recommendations adopted by the Commission in 1974, 1994, and 1996 concerning bluefin tuna minimum size;

IN ORDER TO ensure adequate enforcement and monitoring of the prohibition on harvest of age zero bluefin tuna;

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF ATLANTIC TUNAS (ICCAT) RECOMMENDS THAT:

In addition to the prohibition on retaining on board, landing and sale of age zero bluefin (weighing less than 1.8 kg)* by fishing vessels of Contracting Parties and non-contracting parties, entities or fishing entities, each Contracting Party and non-contracting party, entity or fishing entity shall take the necessary measures to prohibit the landing, possession, or sale in markets in nations bordering the Convention area of Atlantic bluefin tuna of age zero (weighing less than 1.8 kg)*;

This Recommendation is supplemental to the minimum size regulations currently in effect for bluefin tuna.

* NOTE: The phrase "age zero bluefin (weighing less than 1.8 kg)" has been changed to "fish less than 3.2 kg" (see Recommendation 98-4, adopted by the 1998 Commission Meeting, and which entered into force on June 21, 1999).