

Sharks and stingrays

Directed to the Secretariat

16.128 The Secretariat shall:

- a) issue a Notification to Parties requesting that they provide to the Secretariat a summary of their domestic laws and regulations that prohibit or regulate the landing of sharks or trade in shark specimens, together with copies of or links to these instruments in order for the Secretariat to make this information available on the CITES website; and
- b) collaborate with the FAO Secretariat in the development of a single, regularly updated, source summarizing current Regional Fisheries Management Organization measures for shark conservation and management, with information on species, fisheries, Members and Contracting Parties, and the geographical areas covered and excluded.

Directed to Parties

16.129 Parties are encouraged to engage with the work of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), as appropriate, particularly for shark species listed in the relevant Appendices to CITES and CMS, recognizing that CMS Parties are required to strive towards strictly protecting species listed in Appendix I to CMS, to prohibit the taking of these species, and to implement other measures through the Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of Migratory Sharks.