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**FRABELLE PNG LTD.** requires onboard its vessel(s) the use of the following best practices for FAD management, identified in [ISSF Technical Report 2023-10](#), which updates ISSF Technical Report 2019-11, "*Recommended Best Practices for FAD management in Tropical Tuna Purse Seine Fisheries*":

**a) Comply with flag state and RFMO reporting requirements for fisheries statistics by set type**

We commit to:

Filling out completely and accurately the logbooks, including FAD logbook information, by set type required by Flag State/RFMO and submitting them by electronic reporting to the required authority.

We commit to:

Achieving 100% observer coverage on all fishing trips through the regional observer program operated by RFMO, or

Achieving the observer coverage required by Flag State.

We also commit to:

Collecting data on the number of active FADs and FAD activity (deployments, visits, sets and loss) as required by Flag State/RFMO and submitting them to the required authority and RFMO

**b) Voluntarily report additional FAD buoy data for use by RFMO science bodies**

We commit to:

Report FAD buoy daily position data to the relevant RFMO science bodies and/or national scientific institutions and/or flag State, with a maximum time lag of 90 days. Data submissions must include the vessel name and IMO number (if available). Deployments should be identified in the data submissions when possible. [And, if reporting to national scientific institution or flag state, we shall request that these data be made available to the relevant RFMO for scientific purposes.]

Provide FAD buoy echo-sounder acoustic biomass data to the relevant RFMO science bodies and/or national scientific institutions and/or flag State, with a maximum time lag of 90 days. Data submissions must include the vessel name and IMO number (if available). [And, if reporting to national scientific institution or flag state, we shall request that these data be made available to the relevant RFMO for scientific purposes.]

**c) Support science-based limits on the overall number of FADs used per vessel and/or FAD sets made**

We commit to:

Abiding by the limit of active number of FADs adopted by RFMO

We commit to:

Deploying only FADs with satellite tracking buoys.

We also commit to:

Abiding by the FAD time area closure established by the Flag State/RFMO.

**d) Use only non-entangling FADs to reduce ghost fishing**

We commit to:

Only deploying or redeploying (i.e. placing in the water) FADs that are completely non-entangling (i.e., without any netting) according to the [ISSF Guide for Non-Entangling FADs](#).

We also commit to:

Retrieving, where practicable, any encountered pre-existing non-fully NEFAD (whether a set is done or not) which is not in compliance with this measure.

**e) Mitigate other environmental impacts due to FAD loss including through the use of biodegradable FADs and FAD recovery policies**

We commit to:

Studying the feasibility of using FADs with only biodegradable material in their construction except the floatation structure of the raft; and/or

Participating in tests of locally sourced biodegradable materials in collaboration with the relevant authority or scientific institution.

We commit to:

Studying the feasibility of deploying simpler and smaller FADs.

We commit to:

Participating in research to determine FAD deployment areas that have high risk of stranding, by providing historical track data to scientific.

We also commit to, where practicable:

Removing from the water and bringing back to port all encountered FADs with non-biodegradable elements.

**f) For silky sharks (the main bycatch issue in FAD sets) implement further mitigation efforts**

We commit to:

Applying Best Practices for safe handling and release of sharks and rays brought onboard.

This policy was adopted on **12 February 2025**.

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| <b>VESSEL NAME</b>  | <b>IMO NUMBER</b> |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| GARDENIA 888        | 8648028           |
| GOLDEN SAPPHIRE 88  | 8324177           |
| MILFLORES 888       | 8648030           |
| PURPLE LILAC 888    | 7820722           |
| RED TULIP 888       | 7409267           |
| MAVIENNE            | 8122529           |
| KAMILAH             | 8130174           |
| VEERA               | 9009748           |
| QUEEN MARILOU - 777 | 9109342           |
| QUEEN MARILOU - 888 | 9009736           |
| QUEEN MARILOU-999   | 9033282           |