

- Provide the U.S. national measurement standards for a specific measurand;

- Disseminate standards for that measurand to U.S. industry, government, and academia.

Cannon Instrument Company of State College, Pennsylvania has served as the U.S. DI for viscosity measurements since 2003. After considering the criteria listed above, NIST has designated Cannon Instrument Company as the U.S. DI for viscosity until January 1, 2013.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### International Whaling Commission; 63rd Annual Meeting; Nominations

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is a call for nominees for the U.S. Delegation to the July 2011 International Whaling Commission (IWC) annual meeting. The non-federal representative(s) selected as a result of this nomination process is(are) responsible for providing input and recommendations to the U.S. IWC Commissioner representing the positions of non-governmental organizations. Generally, only one non-governmental position is selected for the U.S. Delegation.

**DATES:** The IWC is holding its 63rd annual meeting July 11-15, 2011, in Jersey, United Kingdom. All written nominations for the U.S. Delegation to the IWC annual meeting must be received by June 24th, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** All nominations for the U.S. Delegation to the IWC annual meeting should be addressed to Ms. Monica Medina, U.S. Commissioner to the IWC, and sent via post to: Ryan Wulff, National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of International Affairs, 1315 East-West Highway, SSMC3 Room 12620, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ryan Wulff, 202-482-3689.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Secretary of Commerce is charged with the responsibility of discharging the domestic obligations of the United States under the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling, 1946. The U.S. IWC Commissioner has responsibility for the preparation and negotiation of U.S. positions on international issues concerning whaling and for all matters involving the IWC. He is staffed by the Department of Commerce and assisted by the Department of State, the Department of the Interior, the Marine Mammal Commission, and by other agencies. The non-federal representative(s) selected as a result of this nomination process is(are) responsible for providing input and recommendations to the U.S. IWC Commissioner representing the positions of non-governmental organizations. Generally, only one non-governmental position is selected for the U.S. Delegation.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Schedules for Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops and Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public workshops.

**SUMMARY:** Free Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops and Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops will be held in July, August, and September of 2011. Certain fishermen and shark dealers are required to attend a workshop to meet regulatory requirements and maintain valid permits. Specifically, the Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop is mandatory for all federally permitted Atlantic shark dealers. The Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop is mandatory for vessel owners and operators who use bottom longline, pelagic longline, or gillnet gear, and who have also been issued shark or swordfish limited access

permits. Additional free workshops will be conducted during 2011.

**DATES:** The Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops will be held July 14, July 21, August 11, September 8, and September 22, 2011.

The Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops will be held on July 13, July 20, August 17, August 24, September 14, and September 21, 2011.

See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further details.

**ADDRESSES:** The Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops will be held in Wilmington, NC; Port Orange, FL; Dania Beach, FL; Panama City, FL; and Port Orange, FL.

The Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops will be held in Manahawkin, NJ; Gulfport, MS; Myrtle Beach, SC; Daytona Beach, FL; Panama City, FL; and Warwick, RI.

See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further details on workshop locations.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard A. Pearson by phone: (727) 824-5399, or by fax: (727) 824-5398.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The workshop schedules, registration information, and a list of frequently asked questions regarding these workshops are posted on the Internet at: <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/workshops/>.

#### Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops

Since January 1, 2008, Atlantic shark dealers have been prohibited from receiving, purchasing, trading, or bartering for Atlantic sharks unless a valid Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop certificate is on the premises of each business listed under the shark dealer permit which first receives Atlantic sharks (71 FR 58057; October 2, 2006). Dealers who attend and successfully complete a workshop are issued a certificate for each place of business that is permitted to receive sharks. These certificate(s) are valid for 3 years. Approximately 60 free Atlantic Shark Identification Workshops have been conducted since January 2007.

Currently permitted dealers may send a proxy to an Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop. However, if a dealer opts to send a proxy, the dealer must designate a proxy for each place of business covered by the dealer's permit which first receives Atlantic sharks. Only one certificate will be issued to each proxy. A proxy must be a person who is currently employed by a place of business covered by the dealer's permit; is a primary participant in the