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REVIEW OF DOLPHIN MORTALITY LIMITS (DMLs) FOR 2022

This report presents details about the utilization of Dolphin Mortality Limits (DMLs) in 2022.

The overall limit for the fleet, each year, has been 5,000, and the portion available for distribution 4,900; the difference constitutes the Reserve DML Allocation (RDA), utilized at the Director's discretion for extraordinary cases.

The current situation for 2022 (as of 28 September) is as follows:

Type of DML (vessel limit)	Allocated	Utilized by Apr-1	Renounced	Exempted due to <i>force majeure</i>	Forfeited
Full-year (44)	110	98	0	11 ¹	1
Second-semester	2 ²	N/A	0	0	0
RDA	2 ³	N/A	0	0	0

Full year DML utilization for 2022 as of 28 September:

APICD Parties	Full Year DML assignment	DML utilization
COL	12	12
ECU	14	13
MEX	47	44
NIC	4	3
PAN	15	15
SLV	1	1
USA	1	1
VEN	16	14
Total	110	103

¹ 6 have not been utilized as of 28 September.

² DML assigned: 14 dolphins; have not been utilized as of 28 September.

³ DML assigned: 20 dolphins; utilized.

The figure presented below illustrates the utilization of DMLs by category of cumulative mortality per vessel, together with statistics such as number of sets on dolphins, total and average mortality per vessel and per set.

