



## ACP EU TBT Programme

090-16 - Training for Regulatory Authorities, Businesses and Communities of the ARSO Members from EAC and SADC on Risk Management in Regulatory Frameworks: Towards a Better Management of Risks

Diagnosis Grids - Hygiene and Control on Fishery products

## **TRAINING**

## Visit of a Processing Establishment

Name of Trainee : .....

## Intervention Details

## Scope of the diagnosis and risk analysis

## Targeted elements of the diagnosis and risk analysis

## Targeted processing lines on their risk analysis

## Activity of the Establishment

Number of employees:

Women : Men :

Men :

### Activity (processes and products)

### Type of Raw materials:

Species:

Source (Wild/Farmed):

### Production Capacity:

## Diagnostic and risk analysis Grids:

PE 01 : Surroundings and Construction – All facilities

PE 02 : Construction Requirements in Areas Where Food is Handled- All facilities

PE 03 : Implementation of Pre-requisite Programmes

PE 04 : Specific Process Design Criteria and Control

PE 05 : Health Standards for Fishery Products

PE 06 : Assessment of HACCP Plans

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PRATICALLY SPEAKING UNDER THE COLUM “OBSERVATION” THE TRAINEES CAN ADD THE RISK ASSESSMENTM ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT WITH ITS MITIGAITON PROCEDURES HE UNDERSTANDS

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## PE 01: Surroundings and Construction

| Elements to be checked   | Objective of the legislation and references   | Observations |
|--|---|--------------|
| <b>1. Surroundings, Constructions and Layout</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1. External environment hygienic and kept clean</li> <li>1.2. Surroundings maintained to prevent access and harbourage of pest</li> <li>1.3. Establishments designed to prevent admission of pests</li> <li>1.4. Establishments that exclude contamination with materials such as accumulated dirt, condensate, mould or other undesirable particles</li> <li>1.5. Conditions in areas for handling and processing are appropriate to store, handle and process under sanitary and hygienic conditions?</li> <li>1.6. Conditions suitable to allow storage, handling and processing at adequate temperatures</li> <li>1.7. Layout and appropriate product flow to preclude cross-contamination from less clean to clean areas</li> <li>1.8. Establishments kept clean</li> </ul> | <p>Ensure that design, construction, location and size of the food premises allow for adequate control of food hygiene and safety</p> <p>Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter I-1, 2a-2d.</p> <p>Ref. also to Item 23, 26 and 47 below</p> |              |
| <b>2. Ventilation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.1. Sufficient and suitable for the operation</li> <li>2.2. Mechanical airflow ensure flow from clean to less clean area</li> <li>2.3. Allowance made for ease of maintenance and cleaning</li> </ul>  | <p>To reduce the risk of contamination of the products.</p> <p>Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter I-5</p>  |              |
| <b>3. Staff facilities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3.1. The number of lavatories is adequate</li> <li>3.2. Presence of flushable lavatories that are connected to effective drainage system</li> <li>3.3. Lavatory facilities that do not open directly into processing areas</li> <li>3.4. Number of hand washing basins is adequate.</li> <li>3.5. Hand washing basins are suitably located</li> <li>3.6. Hand washing basins are suitable designed (non-hand operated)</li> <li>3.7. Hand washing basins have adequate facilities for efficient hand washing (hot and cold running water, soap and hygienic drying facilities).</li> <li>3.8. Hand washing basins that are designated for the purpose only</li> <li>3.9. Lavatory facilities have adequate ventilation</li> <li>3.10. Changing facilities are adequate for the operation</li> </ul>      | <p>To ensure that the adequate conditions are in place to ensure implementation of personal hygiene rules in the establishment.</p> <p>Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter I-3, 4, 6, 9</p>   |              |

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|---|--|--------------|
| <b>4. Light</b><br>4.1. Premises have adequate light for operations   | Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter I-7  |              |
| <b>5. Drainage system</b><br>5.1. Constructed to avoid risk of contamination with flow of waste water from less clean to clean areas<br>5.2. Adequate for the operation | To make sure that the drainage system is not a source of contamination of the establishment.<br><br>Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter I-8                          |              |
| <b>6. Storage of Chemicals</b><br>6.1. Adequate storage facilities allow for safe storage of cleaning and disinfection agents in areas where food is not handled        | To ensure that dangerous cleaning and disinfecting chemicals can not contaminate food<br><br>Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter I-10<br>Ref. also to point 22 below |              |

## PE 02: Construction Requirements in Areas Where Food is Handled

| Elements to be checked   | Objective of the legislation and references   | Observations |
|--|---|--------------|
| <p><b>7. Floors</b></p> <p>7.1. Made of impervious, non-absorbent, washable and non-toxic Materials</p> <p>7.2. Surfaces maintained in sound condition so they are easy to clean and disinfect</p> <p>7.3. Surfaces allow adequate surface drainage</p> <p><b>8. Walls</b></p> <p>8.1. Made of impervious, non-absorbent, washable and non-toxic Materials</p> <p>8.2. Surfaces maintained in sound condition so they are easy to clean and disinfect</p> <p><b>9. Ceilings and light fittings</b></p> <p>9.1. Constructed and finished to prevent accumulation of dirt, growth of moulds, shedding of particles and minimize condensation.</p> <p><b>10. Windows and other openings</b></p> <p>10.1. Constructed so to prevent accumulation of dirt</p> <p>10.2. Fitted with insect proof screens if to be opened to the outside</p> <p>10.3. Insect screens in windows and other openings are easy to remove for cleaning.</p> <p><b>11. Doors</b></p> <p>11.1. Made of appropriate materials (smooth and non-absorbent)</p> <p>11.2. Easy to clean and disinfect</p> <p><b>12. Surfaces in contact with food</b></p> <p>12.1. Made of appropriate materials (smooth, washable, non-corrosive, non-toxic)</p> <p>12.2. Maintained in sound conditions which allow for easy cleaning and disinfection</p> | <p>To ensure that the design of facilities shall permit good hygiene practices including protection against contamination between and during processing operations</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter II-1a-1f</p> |              |

## PE 02: Construction Requirements in Areas Where Food is Handled

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|--|---|--------------|
| <b>13. Cleaning of working utensils</b><br>13.1. Facilities for cleaning, disinfecting and storage of working utensils and equipment adequate<br>13.2. Facilities for cleaning, disinfecting and storage of working utensils constructed of easy to clean and maintain materials<br>13.3. Facilities for cleaning, disinfection of working utensils shall have adequate supply of hot and cold water   | To ensure that work utensils can be efficiently cleaned<br><br>Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter II-2   |              |
| <b>14. Facilities for washing food</b><br>14.1. Designed for the purpose<br>14.2. Provided with potable water<br>14.3. Kept clean  | To avoid contamination of the food<br><br>Reg 852/2004, Annex II, chapter I-4<br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter II-3  |              |
| <b>15. Articles, fittings and equipment</b><br>15.1. Installing allow adequate cleaning of both equipment and surrounding area.<br>15.2. Constructed of materials and maintained to minimize risk of contamination.<br>15.3. Constructed of materials and maintained to enable cleaning and disinfection.<br>15.4. Effectively cleaned and disinfected at sufficient frequency to avoid risk of contamination<br>15.5. Additives for corrosion protection used in accordance with good practices<br>15.6. Equipment shall be fitted with appropriate control devices (e.g. cookers, freezers, cold stores, chilling rooms) | Articles, fittings and equipment in contact with food shall be constructed and maintained in good order to avoid any risk of contamination.<br><br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter V 1-3 |              |

## PE 03: Implementation of Pre-requisite Programmes

| Elements to be checked   | Objective of the legislation and references  | Observations |
|--|--|--------------|
| <b>16. Raw materials, Ingredients, packaging and other input materials</b><br><br><u>What to check ?</u><br>16.1. Are controlled at receiving<br>16.2. Are rejected if known or reasonably expected to be contaminated with food safety hazards which can not be eliminated through normal sorting, preparation or processing<br>16.3. Are stored to prevent deterioration<br>16.4. Are stored to protect from contamination<br><br><u>How to check ?</u><br>16.5. Quality and safety criteria defined and adequate to ensure food is safe and fit for consumption<br>16.6. Traceability criteria adequately defined<br>16.7. Monitoring, corrective actions and internal verification adequately planned according to defined criteria<br>16.8. Monitoring, corrective actions and internal verification implemented as planned<br>16.9. Monitoring and internal verification effective to control food hazards and to ensure food is fit for consumption<br>16.10. Documents on raw material supply system adequate and updated (e.g. Supplier approval program, system of traceability) | Control at receiving and good handling practices at storage and at all processing steps shall ensure that the final products are fit for human consumption and are not injurious to human health.<br><br>References:<br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chap. IX 1-2<br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex I, part A III-7, 8<br><br>HACCP Guidance document Annex II ch. 5 |              |
| <b>17. Wrapping and packaging material</b><br><br>17.1. Materials selected not to be a source of contamination<br>17.2. Materials stored so they are not exposed to contaminants<br>17.3. Wrapping and packaging operations designed to avoid contamination of products<br>17.4. Integrity of container's construction and cleanliness ensured where relevant (e.g. sterilized cans and glass jars products)<br>17.5. Re-used packaging materials are easy to clean and disinfect  | Wrapping and packaging materials shall not present any risk for contamination of the food.<br><br>References:<br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter X 1-4<br><br>Ref also to item 35 below   |              |

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| <b>18. Water</b><br><u>What to check ?</u><br>18.1. Adequate supply of potable water in all areas where necessary<br>18.2. Supply of clean seawater adequate in all areas where allowed (if applicable only)<br>18.3. Non-potable water circulated in separate pipe system, designed to prevent backflow to potable water system<br>18.4. Pipe system for non-potable water duly identified<br>18.5. Recycled water potable or of adequate quality for the purpose used (if applicable only)  | Water supply system shall ensure that only potable or clean water can be used in contact with fishery products.<br><br>References:<br><br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter VII 1-6<br><u><a href="#">EC Directive 98/83 Annex II table A and B</a></u><br><br>(Note: clean water ice can only be used for chilling whole fishery products) |              |
| <b>19. Ice</b><br><u>What to check ?</u><br>19.1. Ice in contact with fishery products made from potable water or clean water<br>19.2. Protected from contamination during production, handling and storage   |  |              |
| <b>20. Steam</b><br><u>What to check ?</u><br>20.1. Steam used in contact with food is clean and does not present any hazards to fishery product.<br><br><u>How to Check ?</u><br>20.2. Quality criteria adequately defined<br>20.3. Process criteria adequately defined (Chlorine, uv-treatment etc.)<br>20.4. Monitoring, corrective actions and internal verification are adequately planned against defined criteria<br>20.5. Monitoring, corrective actions and internal verification implemented as planned<br>20.6. Documents on water supply system adequate and updated (Map of supply system, monitoring plan, results of analysis) |  |              |

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| <b>21. Food waste and other refuse</b><br><u>What to check ?</u><br>21.1. Removed quickly from rooms where food is present (not allowed to accumulate)<br>21.2. Deposited in closable containers or other appropriate waste disposal systems<br>21.3. Containers constructed of materials that allow easy cleaning and disinfecting<br>21.4. Facilities for waste deposit are appropriate constructed, maintained and easy to clean.<br>21.5. Provisions for waste storage and disposal designed and managed to allow cleaning and protection from entrance of pest.<br>21.6. Waste eliminated in a hygienic and environmentally friendly way (in accordance with EU regulation/National regulation)<br><u>How to check ?</u><br>21.7. Procedures are efficient (objective evidence) | Food waste and other refuse shall be kept away from products and hygienically handled and stored in order to minimize risk for cross-contamination to products<br>References:<br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter VI 1-4 |              |
| <b>22. Hazardous and/or inedible substances (feed, disinfectants, cleaning agents, etc.)</b><br>22.1. Adequately labelled<br>22.2. Stored in separate and secure containers  | To control chemical hazards.<br>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter IX , 8<br><br>Ref. also to Item 6 above   |              |
| <b>23. Pest Control</b><br>23.1. Procedures for controlling pests such as insects, mice, rats, and domestic animals, etc. in establishment surroundings are planned and implemented<br>23.2. Procedures for controlling pests such as insects, mice, rats etc. in processing areas are planned and implemented<br>23.3. Procedures are effective (objective evidence)  | To control (prevent and eliminate) pests from contaminating product as per Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter IX 4<br><br>Ref. also to Item 1 above  |              |

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|---|---|--------------|
| <p><b>24. Personal Hygiene</b></p> <p>What to check ?</p> <p>24.1. All staff members wear suitable protective clothing</p> <p>24.2. Protective clothing are clean and maintained in a clean condition</p> <p>24.3. All staff members maintain a high degree of personal cleanliness</p> <p>How to check ?</p> <p>24.4. Laundry facilities and procedures for cleaning protective clothing are adequate</p> <p>24.5. Procedures for changing of dirty protective clothes are adequate and efficient</p> <p>24.6. Facilities and procedures for hand washing adequately designed, implemented and monitored</p> <p>24.7. Use and control of boot baths adequately designed, implemented and monitored</p> | <p>The risk for transmission of human pathogenic microorganisms, and other hazards which may be carried by staff who handle food shall be minimized.</p> <p>Reference<br/>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter VIII 1</p> |              |
| <p><b>25. Staff health</b></p> <p>What to check?</p> <p>25.1. Staff who may carry diseases that can potentially be transmitted through food or have afflictions such as infected wounds, skin infections, sores or diarrhoea are not allowed to handle food</p> <p>How to check?</p> <p>25.2. Procedures for staff reporting of diseases and afflictions are planned, implemented and effective</p> <p>25.3. Procedures for monitoring staff health are planned, implemented and effective</p>  | <p>To ensure that food handlers are not a source of contamination.</p> <p>Reference<br/>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter VIII 1</p>   |              |

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|---|---|--------------|
| <p><b>26. Sanitation (cleaning and disinfection)</b></p> <p>What to check ?</p> <p>26.1. Procedures for cleaning and disinfection of processing facilities and equipment before, after and during processing are adequately described and implemented effectively.</p> <p>26.2. Procedures for cleaning and disinfection of staff facilities are adequately described and implemented effectively.</p> <p>How to check ?</p> <p>26.3. Sanitation products technical specifications are available and known by responsible staff</p> <p>26.4. Criteria for sanitation are adequately defined</p> <p>26.5. Effectiveness of sanitation is monitored</p> <p>26.6. Objective evidence is available to show that sanitation procedures are effective</p> | <p>To ensure that processing facilities and equipment in contact with the product is not a source of contamination as per Regulation</p> <p>Reference:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004 Annex II</p> <p>Ref. also to Items 1 and 15 above</p>   |              |
| <p><b>27. Traceability, Withdrawal and Recall Procedures</b></p> <p>27.1. Procedures for recall adequately described and communicated to team as relevant</p> <p>27.2. Identification Marks correct applied on products before leaving the establishment</p> <p>27.3. Raw materials from aquaculture and bivalve mollusks are traceable to identified primary producer unit</p> <p>27.4. Suppliers of raw materials from aquaculture and bivalve mollusks comply with specific criteria to record keeping and labelling</p>   | <p>To prevent risks to the final consumer and collaborate with competent authorities in risk management</p> <p>Reference:</p> <p>Reg. 178/2002, Art. 3, 15 and Art. 18</p> <p>Reg. 178/2002, Art.19</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004 Art. 5, 6 and Annex II</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004 Annex I, Part A III-7,8</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004 Annex II, VII ch. 1</p> <p>Ref. also to Item 16 above and specific Diagnosis Grids on Bivalves and Aquaculture.</p> |              |

## PE 04: Specific Process Design Criteria and Control

| <b>Elements to be checked</b>   | <b>Objective of the legislation and references</b>   | <b>Observations</b> |
|---|--|---------------------|
| <p><b>28. Procedures designed to protect food at all stages of production, processing and distribution</b></p> <p>28.1. Food protected against contamination that may render the product unfit for human consumption or injurious to health</p> <p>28.2. Raw materials, intermediary food materials and finished products (not frozen) are kept at temperatures approaching that of melting ice throughout the cold-chain (except when practicalities of handling require otherwise).</p> <p>28.3. Ready to eat products are cooled down immediately to temperatures approaching that of melting ice after final processing stage (e.g. cooked and smoked products)</p> <p>28.4. Thawing processes are designed to minimize the risk of pathogenic microorganisms growth or the formation of toxins</p> <p>28.5. Thawed products treated like raw materials (kept at temperatures approaching that of melting ice)</p> <p>28.6. Run off water from thawing is properly drained to prevent cross-contamination</p> | <p>To minimize the risk of product contamination from pathogenic micro-organisms, chemical and physical hazards and to minimize the risk for growth of pathogenic micro-organisms.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter IX 3, 5,6,7</p> <p>Ref also to point 29, 31, 33 below</p>  |                     |
| <p><b>29. Fresh Products – raw materials handling</b></p> <p>29.1. Stored under ice if not immediately distributed or processed</p> <p>29.2. Melt water can drain away from the product/container</p> <p>29.3. Facilities for storage are appropriate to help maintain temperatures approaching that of melting ice</p> <p>29.4. Raw materials received from vessels or aquaculture are stored in cooled water or in ice at arrival</p> <p>29.5. Headed and gutted raw materials are cleaned, especially in the belly area</p> <p>29.6. Heading and gutting (pre-processing) in the factory carried out under hygienic conditions</p> <p>29.7. Live fish are kept at temperatures that do not adversely affect their viability or food safety</p>   | <p>To avoid contamination and growth of pathogens, good handling and manufacturing practices imply that: Fresh fishery products (raw materials) shall be kept at temperature approaching that of melting ice and handled and stored to avoid contamination and or spoilage of the materials</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, chapter III A1, A4, A5</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, chapter. VII-1, 3</p> |                     |

## PE 04: Specific Process Design Criteria and Control

| Elements to be checked  | Objective of the legislation and references  | Observations |
|---|--|--------------|
| <b>30. Fresh Products - Filleting and cutting of fresh products</b><br>30.1. Carried out hygienically<br>30.2. Tools used are clean (procedure described and implemented)<br>30.3. Products removed from the worktables without delay<br>30.4. Products appropriately chilled without delay   | Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, chap. III A2, A3   |              |
| <b>31. Frozen Products</b><br>What to check ?<br>31.1. Capacity of freezing equipment is sufficient to rapidly achieve core temperature of not more than -18C.<br>31.2. Capacity in cold stores are sufficient to maintain product temperature at least -18 C<br>31.3. Cold store equipped with easy to read temperature recording device<br>31.4. Sensors for temperature recording in cold stores are placed in the area with highest temperature<br>31.5. Fish stored in brine at least -9 C are used for canned products only<br><br>How to check?<br>31.6. Evidence of temperature control is available<br>31.7. Corrective actions in case of non-compliance with requirements are adequate | Good handling and manufacturing practices imply that:<br>Products shall be frozen rapidly to -18 C or less in the core and kept at at -18C or lower. Storage temperatures shall be monitored and documented.<br><br>References:<br>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, chapter III B (ref: section VIII, ch. 1 part 1, C1, C2)<br>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, chapter. VII-2<br><br>Ref. also to Item 15.6 above |              |

## PE 04: Specific Process Design Criteria and Control

| Elements to be checked  | Objective of the legislation and references   | Observations |
|---|---|--------------|
| <p><b>32. Mechanically separated Fishery Products</b></p> <p>32.1. Raw materials for mechanical separation include whole fish and bones after filleting, and must exclude all gut material</p> <p>32.2. Separation process carried out immediately after filleting or cutting (if applicable)</p> <p>32.3. Further processing takes place immediately (freezing or otherwise processed)</p> | <p>Good handling and manufacturing practices imply that:</p> <p>Mechanically separated fishery products shall be produced from fresh materials excluding guts, and frozen or further processed without delay</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, ch. III C1, C2.</p>                            |              |
| <p><b>33. Cooked Products (crustaceans and molluscs)</b></p> <p>33.1. Cooled immediately and rapidly in potable water or clean seawater after cooking</p> <p>33.2. Cooled down to temperatures approaching that of melting ice or frozen immediately to at least -18 C after cooling</p> <p>33.3. Shucking or shelling procedures are carried out hygienically</p>                          | <p>Good handling and manufacturing practices imply that:</p> <p>Cooked crustaceans and molluscs shall be hygienically handled, rapidly cooled in potable water down to temperatures approaching that of melting ice or immediately frozen</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, ch. IV-1,2,3.</p> |              |

## PE 04: Specific Process Design Criteria and Control

| Elements to be checked   | Objective of the legislation and references  | Observations |
|--|--|--------------|
| <p><b>34. Heat Sterilized products</b><br/>           What to check ?<br/>           34.1. Does the process conform to international recognized standard?<br/>           34.2. Does the process ensure that time-temperature parameters are specified and complied with?<br/>           34.3. Are relevant process parameters monitored by the use of automatic device?<br/>           34.4. Does the process prevent contamination of the product<br/>           34.5. Sealing operation is appropriately controlled<br/> <br/>           How to check ?<br/>           34.6. Are thermometers and other measuring devices calibrated?<br/>           34.7. Are heat distribution tests made?<br/>           34.8. Are heat penetration tests made for each product?<br/>           34.9. Are organoleptic tests made for each product?<br/>           34.10. Are adequate placing of cans, trays and racks monitored?<br/>           34.11. Are proper functioning of the equipment checked during heating process?<br/>           34.12. Are time-temperature parameters checked in the (autoclave) retort recorder?<br/>           34.13. Are microbiological sampling and testing carried out for each finished product<br/>           34.14. Are can integrity adequately controlled?<br/>           34.15. Is cooling water for heat treated containers a possible source of contamination         </p> | <p>Good handling and manufacturing Practices and control of hazards for heat treated, long-term stable products imply that:<br/>           Products shall be rendered free of microorganisms capable of growing in hermetically sealed containers when kept at ambient temperatures</p> <p>References:<br/>           Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter XI<br/>           1-3<br/>           Reg. 852/2004 Art. 5<br/>           Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter VII,<br/>           6<br/> <br/>           Codex Alimentarius: Low-Acid and Acidified Low-acid Canned foods (CAC/RCP 23-1979, Rev. 2 (1993)</p> |              |

## PE 04: Specific Process Design Criteria and Control

| Elements to be checked  | Objective of the legislation and references   | Observations |
|---|---|--------------|
| <b>35. Wrapping and Packaging (of raw materials)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>35.1. Handling containers for fresh fish and ice are water resistant</li> <li>35.2. Handling containers for fresh fish and ice and ensures that melt-water does not remain in contact with product (efficient drainage)</li> <li>35.3. Block frozen raw materials are adequately packed</li> <li>35.4. Packaging materials for block frozen raw materials are not a source of contamination</li> </ul>  | <p>Good handling and manufacturing practices imply that: Suppliers of raw materials or semi-manufacture from vessels shall ensure hygienic handling and storage conditions and use only clean materials of food grade quality.</p> <p>Ref: Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, ch. VI-1, 2, 3</p> <p>Ref. also to Item 17 above</p> |              |
| <b>36. Transport conditions for Fishery Products</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>36.1. Transported fresh fishery products, thawed unprocessed products and cooked chilled products are maintained at temperature approaching that of melting ice</li> <li>36.2. Melt water drains away efficiently from products</li> <li>36.3. Frozen fishery products kept at temperatures of at least -18 C in all parts, with upward fluctuations limited to a maximum of 3 C</li> <li>36.4. Live fish kept at temperature which do not affect adversely their viability or food safety</li> </ul> | <p>Good handling and manufacturing practices imply that: Temperatures under transport shall be so to minimize risk for growth of pathogenic bacteria, and deterioration by microbiological growth or enzymatic degradation.</p> <p>Reference:</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, ch. VIII-1, 2, 3, 4</p>                    |              |
| <b>37. Training</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>37.1. All staff trained to properly carry out their responsibilities and activities</li> <li>37.2. Training complies with national laws concerning training of staff in the food or fishery sectors.</li> </ul>  | <p>To ensure that staff shall be instructed and trained in food hygiene, appropriate to properly carry out their responsibilities and activities as food handlers.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter XII 1-3</p> <p>Ref. also to Item 57 below</p>   |              |

## PE 05: Health Standards for Fishery Products

| Elements to be checked  | Objective of the legislation and references   | Observations |
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| <b>38. Organoleptic examination</b><br>38.1. Carried against specified freshness criteria   | Products placed on the market shall meet minimum freshness criteria in order to be deemed fit for human consumption.<br><br>References:<br>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, ch. V-A<br>Reg. 2406/1996, Article 3 and Annex I.  |              |
| <b>39. Freshness and histamine</b><br>39.1. Levels of histamine complies with requirements in all products of the specie families of: Scrombridae, Clupeidae, Engraulidae, Coryfenidae, Pomatomidae, Scrombresosidae<br>39.2. Sampling plan includes 9 samples per lot (if sampling is applied)<br>39.3. Histamine content<br>- does not exceed 200 ppm in any of 9 samples per lot and<br>- is below 100 ppm in at least 7 of the same 9 samples and<br>- average of 9 samples is below 100ppm | Monitoring and Internal verification of Prerequisite and HACCP programmes shall include sampling and testing for compliance with certain process and product standards<br><br>References:<br>Reg. 2073/2005 and 852/2004 Art. 4, 3a and 3e<br>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, ch. V-B<br>Reg. 2073/2005, Annex I, chapter 1, 1.25 |              |

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| <p>39.4. Products are tested for TVB-N or TMA-N if organoleptic assessment indicates problems with freshness</p> <p>39.5. Fishery products with TVB-N &gt; 30 are not placed on the market.</p>  | <p>Freshness tests shall be carried out to complement organoleptic assessment if this reveals any doubts about freshness.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section VIII, ch. V-C</p> <p>Reg. 2074/2005 Annex 2, section II, chapter I and II</p>   |              |
| <p><b>40. Parasites</b></p> <p>40.1. Are fishery products visually examined for visible parasites</p> <p>40.2. Fishery products with visible parasites are not placed on the market</p>  | <p>Fishery Products obviously contaminated with parasites shall not be placed on the market.</p> <p>Ref: Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section XIII, ch. V-D</p> <p>Reg. 2074/2005, Annex 2, section I, chapter I and II</p>  |              |
| <p><b>41. Toxic species</b></p> <p>41.1. Species of Tetraodontidae, Molidae, Diodontidae and Canthigastridae or other known toxic species are not placed on the market.</p> <p>41.2. Species of family Gempylidae (Ruvetus petriosis and Lepidocybium flavobrunneum) are placed on the market only in wrapped packed form</p> <p>41.3. Species of family Gempylidae (Ruvetus petriosis and Lepidocybium flavobrunneum) are appropriately labelled with scientific name and information about specific related risks.</p> | <p>Fish species poisonous to humans shall not be placed on the market.</p> <p>Fish species with mildly adverse effects such as family Gempylidae are appropriately packaged and labelled</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 853/2004, Annex III, section XIII, ch. V-E.</p> <p>Reg. 2074/2005 Annex VII, 2c</p> |              |

Grids used for training in requirements of EU Regulation 852/2004, 853/2004, 2073/2005 and 2074/2005, including the application of HACCP and Prerequisite programs.

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| <b>42. Microbiological criteria</b><br>42.1. Shelled and shucked products of cooked crustaceans and molluscs comply with requirements for salmonella, E Coli and Coagulase + staphylococci. | Monitoring and Internal verification of Prerequisite and HACCP programs shall include sampling and testing for compliance with certain process and product standards<br><br>References:<br>Reg. 2073/2005 and 852/2004 Art. 4, 3a and 3e<br><br>Reg. 2073/2005, Annex I, chapter 2.4.1 |              |

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| <b>43. Management Commitment and Preliminary Steps.</b><br>43.1. All prerequisite programmes and HACCP Plan documents are up-to-date and approved by management<br>43.2. Are modifications to documentation / implementation communicated to relevant staff members<br>43.3. HACCP team up-to-date in regard to members and responsibilities   | Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market<br><br>Reg. 852/2004, Art. 5, pt. 1, 3, 4 |              |
| <b>44. HACCP Team</b><br>44.1. Made up of multi-disciplinary and multi-divisional members<br>44.2. Team leader is appointed<br>44.3. Scope of HACCP Plan is adequately defined<br>44.4. All team members have skills and knowledge about hazards, process, hygiene, product and raw materials characteristics, appropriate to the product.<br>44.5. Team members have received adequate training in application of HACCP principles  | HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex 1 ch. 1.1<br>Reg. 852/2004 Annex II, ch. XII, 2  |              |
| <b>45. Product description</b><br>What to check ?<br>Includes adequate information on:<br>45.1. Description of products<br>45.2. Characteristics of raw materials and end products<br>45.3. Composition (raw materials, ingredients, additives etc.)<br>45.4. Processing technologies used<br>45.5. Packaging method and materials<br>45.6. Storage and distribution conditions<br>45.7. Required shelf life<br>45.8. Instructions for use<br>45.9. Applicable microbiological and chemical criteria<br><br>How to check ?<br>45.10. Are product descriptions up-to-date, accurate and in compliance with requirements | HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex 1 ch. 1.2  |              |

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| <p><b>46. Identification of intended use</b></p> <p>46.1. Normal or expected use by intended customers or consumer target groups are defined</p> <p>46.2. Suitability for particular vulnerable groups /consumers has been considered (YOPI)</p>   | HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex 1 ch. 1.3   |              |
| <p><b>47. Flow diagram</b></p> <p>What to check ?</p> <p>47.1. Cover all steps in the process operation including delays during or between steps</p> <p>47.2. Consider raw materials prior to receiving and product following processing at the plant (if company is in charge)</p> <p>47.3. Flow diagram is backed up by adequate technical data on planning and conducting the operations (eg. in Lay Outs/Blue prints, GMP and SSOP documents)</p> <p>How to check ?</p> <p>47.4. Flow diagram is up- to- date, accurate and in compliance with requirements.</p> | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Art. 5, pt. 1, 2<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex 1 ch. 1.4</p> |              |
| <p><b>48. Confirmation of flow diagram</b></p> <p>48.1. HACCP team has conducted on-site confirmation that each processing step in the plant is accurately included in the flow diagram during operation hours.</p>  | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Art. 5, pt. 1, 2<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex 1 ch. 1.5</p> |              |

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| <b>49. Hazard analysis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>49.1. Conducted for each step in the verified flow diagram</li> <li>49.2. Identification of hazards are specific</li> <li>49.3. Likely occurrence hazards considered</li> <li>49.4. Severity identified and considered</li> <li>49.5. Risk considered</li> <li>49.6. Significance evaluated</li> <li>49.7. Effective control measures for each significant hazards are identified</li> </ul>  | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:<br/>Reg. 852/2004, Art. 5, pt. 1, 2<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 1.6</p>                   |              |
| <b>50. CCP determination</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50.1. Based on the Decision Tree or a similar systematic approach</li> <li>50.2. Assessment conducted for each step where a significant hazard was identified</li> <li>50.3. CCPs are appropriate and correctly identified</li> </ul>   | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:<br/>Reg. 852/2004 Art. 5<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 2</p>                                |              |
| <b>51. Critical Limits (CL)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>51.1. Established for each identified CCP</li> <li>51.2. Parameters and criteria scientifically validated (i.e. research, literature, monitoring data etc. justify that effective control is achieved)</li> <li>51.3. Applicable for real-time observable or measurable parameters by an operator</li> <li>51.4. Correspond to extreme values acceptable to product safety that separate acceptability from unacceptability</li> <li>51.5. Target levels (i.e. more narrow operational limits) are identified where relevant.</li> </ul> | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:<br/>Reg. 852/2004, Art. 5, pt. 1, 2<br/>852/2004 Art. 5<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 3</p> |              |

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| <p><b>52. Monitoring Procedures</b></p> <p>Requirements:</p> <p>52.1. Procedure established for each CCP/CL</p> <p>52.2. Procedures are accurate, implemented and able to detect loss of control for timely corrective action to be taken without delay</p> <p>52.3. Location for monitoring is appropriate</p> <p>52.4. Frequencies, schedule, sampling plan are adequate</p> <p>52.5. Responsible operator is appropriately trained and competent</p> <p>52.6. Monitoring Records are associated with each CCP</p> <p>52.7. Monitoring Records are signed by operator and verified by identified official(s) of the company.</p> <p>Implementation :</p> <p>52.8. Monitoring at each CCP are carried out as planned</p> <p>52.9. Corrective actions in case of deviations from specified limits are carried out as planned without delay.</p> <p>52.10. Corrective actions in case of deviations from specified limits are effective to control food safety</p> | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Art. 5, pt. 1, 2<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 4</p> |              |
| <p><b>53. Corrective actions (CA)</b></p> <p>Requirements:</p> <p>53.1. Established and defined specifically for each CCP/CL</p> <p>53.2. Responsible operator is identified</p> <p>53.3. Responsible operator is appropriately trained and competent</p> <p>53.4. Isolation and treatment of non-conforming product specifically defined</p> <p>53.5. Written records of CA measures available.</p> <p>Implementation:</p> <p>53.6. Corrective actions are implemented as planned</p> <p>53.7. Corrective actions are adequate to control food safety</p>  | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Art. 5, pt. 1, 2<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 5</p> |              |

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| <p><b>54. Verification procedures</b></p> <p><u>Requirements: CCP verification</u></p> <p>54.1. Adequate methods and procedures are described and implemented for each CCP/CL, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- record reviews (records for monitoring, corrective action, calibration, sampling and analysis, etc.)</li> <li>- staff monitoring</li> <li>- calibration of instruments</li> <li>- sampling and analysis</li> </ul> <p>54.2. Responsible operator is identified for each specific verification activity who is appropriately trained and competent</p> <p>54.3. Results of verification activities are themselves verified</p> <p>54.4. Corrective actions in case of non-compliance is identified for each verification activity</p> <p><u>Requirements: System verification</u></p> <p>54.5. System audits are planned and implemented at appropriate frequencies</p> <p>54.6. System audits includes Pre-requisite programmes and HACCP plan</p> <p>54.7. Scope of system audits links to assessment of the efficiency of applied parameters, criteria, procedures and method to control food safety</p> <p>54.8. Review of whole system or relevant parts are carried out at appropriate intervals or when changes in product, process conditions, packaging or intended consumers takes place or when new information about hazards reveals</p> <p>54.9. Responsible operator for planning and conducting system audits are appropriately trained and competent.</p> | <p>Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market</p> <p>References:<br/>Reg. 852/2004 Art. 5<br/>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 6</p> |              |

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| <u>Requirements: Validation</u><br>54.10. Validation activities planned at appropriate frequencies to efficacy of all elements of the HACCP plan<br>54.11. Validation activities include at least confirmation of established Critical Limits parameter and other scientific and technical parameters as appropriate to ensure food safety<br>54.12. Validation activities reviewed when changes occur (e.g. to raw materials, processing equipment, new information on hazards, etc.).<br>54.13. Responsible operator for planning and conducting validation activities are appropriately trained and competent.                                    | Procedures based on HACCP principles shall be documented, implemented and maintained to ensure safety of food placed on the market<br><br>References:<br>Reg. 852/2004 Art. 5<br>HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 6 |              |
| <u>Implementation of Verification:</u><br>54.14. Carried out as planned, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Validation of critical limits (and other scientific and technical parameters as appropriate to ensure food safety)</li> <li>- calibrations of equipment</li> <li>- product sampling and testing</li> <li>- records review</li> <li>- Internal audits</li> <li>- Reviews when there are relevant changes</li> <li>- System reviews (in addition to internal audits) conducted at appropriate frequencies</li> </ul> 54.15 Corrective actions in case of deviation from requirements are efficient to control food safety |  |              |

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| <p><b>55. Training</b></p> <p>55.1. HACCP team members trained specifically in the application of HACCP principles</p> <p>55.2. Training needs identified for all staff working at CCPs</p> <p>55.3. Training conducted and documented</p> | <p>To ensure that staff shall be instructed and trained in food hygiene as relevant to their responsibility and activity with food.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004 Art. 5</p> <p>Reg. 852/2004, Annex II, chapter XII 1-3 HACCP Guid.Doc. Annex I ch. 8</p> |              |