



# NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2025/036

Geneva, 20 March 2025

CONCERNING:

## APPLICATION OF ARTICLE XIII IN ECUADOR

### Update of a recommendation to suspend trade for commercial purposes in specimens of sharks species from Ecuador

1. In [Notification to the Parties No. 2024/043](#) of 11 March 2024, the Secretariat communicated to the Parties the recommendation of the Standing Committee to suspend trade for commercial purposes in specimens of sharks and rays listed on CITES Appendix II before CoP19 from Ecuador or with country-of-origin Ecuador.
2. At its 78th meeting (SC78; Geneva, February 2025), the Standing Committee agreed that Parties shall **continue to suspend trade in specimens of sharks species from Ecuador for *Carcharhinus falciformis*, *Alopias* spp. and *Isurus* spp.** This suspension will remain in place until Ecuador fully implements the Standing Committee recommendation found in [SC78 Sum. 6 \(Rev. 1\)](#). The list of annual export quotas can be found on the [Export Quota tool](#).
3. This update of the recommendation to suspend trade for commercial purposes with regard to specimens of *Carcharhinus falciformis*, *Alopias* spp. and *Isurus* spp. from Ecuador or with country-of-origin Ecuador **came into effect on 25 February 2025**, the date of the adoption of the SC78 executive summary.
4. Parties are requested to inform their enforcement and customs authorities of this recommendation, and exercise due diligence to avoid the inadvertent acceptance of specimens of species still subject to the recommendation to suspend trade for commercial purposes. Parties are reminded that the complete list of Parties subject to a recommendation to suspend trade is available on the CITES website under [Documents/Trade suspensions](#).

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