

Japan

Isurus oxyrinchus – shortfin mako shark

Japan uses a conversion factor 1.6 which is used to convert recorded processed weight of Shortfin mako shark caught by longline fishers to live weight for reporting to RFMOs as annual catch. The conversion factor was determined based on an analysis using data collected by ICCAT observers.

Prionace glauca – blue shark

Japan uses a conversion factor of 2.1 which is used to convert recorded processed body weight of blue shark caught by longline vessels to live (round) body weight for reporting to Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs) as annual catch. The conversion factor was estimated using the body weight data collected by the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) observers.