ANNEX E

Guidelines for the training of inspectors

Elements of a training programme for port State inspectors should include at least the following areas:

1. Ethics;

2. Health, safety and security issues;

3. Applicable national laws and regulations, areas of competence and conservation and management measures of relevant RFMOs, and applicable international law;

4. Collection, evaluation and preservation of evidence;

5. General inspection procedures such as report writing and interview techniques;

6. Analysis of information, such as logbooks, electronic documentation and vessel history (name, ownership and flag State), required for the validation of information given by the master of the vessel;

7. Vessel boarding and inspection, including hold inspections and calculation of vessel hold volumes;

8. Verification and validation of information related to landings, transshipments, processing and fish remaining onboard, including utilizing conversion factors for the various species and products;

9. Identification of fish species, and the measurement of length and other biological parameters;

10. Identification of vessels and gear, and techniques for the inspection and measurement of gear;

11. Equipment and operation of VMS and other electronic tracking systems; and

12. Actions to be taken following an inspection.