



ATÚN SOSTENIBLE

FADs MANAGEMENT POLICY

IATTC defines a Fish Aggregating Device (FAD) as an anchored, drifting, floating or submerged object deployed and/or tracked by vessels, including through the use of radio and/or satellite buoys, for the purpose of aggregating target tuna species for purse-seine fishing operations. Those natural floating objects (logs or marine debris) can also be considered, which are equipped in the same manner.

Certainly, the FADs have benefits in tuna fishing by purse seine, it is necessary to have an efficient management in their handling.

Atun Sostenible Ltd. S.A. as a company responsible for sustainability and care for the marine ecosystem, **DO NOT deploy FADs to the sea. We collect all types of FADs found and we are committed to managing it efficiently.**

Atun Sostenible Ltd. S.A requires that its vessels follow good FADS collection practices, among which we commit to:

- Fill out the logbook as completely and accurately as possible, where we indicate the type of set, and share this information with the authorities and the IATTC.
- Always maintain 100% observation coverage on each fishing trip made.
- Pick up every FAD with buoys and return them to port.
- Apply best practices to reduce incidental capture of sharks and rays. (*Review our Best Practices Policies*).

We recommend that all fisheries that do carry out FADs only release FADs made of biodegradable material, avoid using nets on them, in order to reduce ghost fishing, and remove from the sea those that have been abandoned.