

## YOUR VIEWS COUNT

- We continuously strive to improve our standards. To do this, we need to know what kind of service you want;
- We promise to consider your views when setting our service standards;
- Inform us if you are not satisfied and are unhappy with our service delivery; and
- Give us your comments so that we can improve our service.

## WHAT WE ASK OF YOU

The quality of service we can provide to you depends on various issues including input and co-operation we receive. We therefore request you to:

- Be honest, polite and patient;
- Be timely in providing required and accurate information to the Division;
- Comply with existing Legislations, Regulations and Procedures; and
- Treat our staff members with the necessary respect.

**When you communicate with us, please provide the following information:**

- Your full name
- Postal address/ email address/ telephone number/fax number
- Provide a clear description of your particular concern/s or need/s
- Keep a record of the issue at stake and the person in our Division whom you dealt with as well as the date and the time of the communication to improve our services.

## FEEDBACK, COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS

**If you have any comment, suggestion or a request about the activities or services of the Division you should contact:**

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- If you are not satisfied with the response from the Division, you may take the matter up with the Deputy Director.
- If still not satisfied with the response or action taken, you may approach the Director.
- Should you still not be satisfied with the response or action taken you may approach the Deputy Executive Director.
- Should you still not be satisfied you may approach the Office of the Executive Director
- Should you still not be satisfied you may approach the Office of the Prime Minister.
- If still not yet satisfied you may approach the Office of the Ombudsman.



Republic of Namibia

**MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND  
MARINE RESOURCES**

## CUSTOMER SERVICE CHARTER

**DIRECTORATE: POLICY, PLANNING  
AND ECONOMICS  
DIVISION: ECONOMICS**



The Division is responsible for conducting social economics research on the fishing and aquaculture sector.



## THIS CHARTER

- Outlines the services we provide (What we do);
- Defines who our customers are;
- Reflects our commitment;
- Sets standard of service that you can expect from us at all times;
- States what we will do if you contact us;
- States that your views count;
- Indicates what we ask of you;
- Explains how to provide us with feedback and how to make a complaint, if you are not satisfied with our service.

## WHAT WE DO

- Assess economic contribution of fisheries to the national economy.
- Compile socio-economic reports of the Total Allowable Catches and present report findings to the Marine Resource Advisory Council.
- Analyze patterns of ownership in the fishing industry.
- Assess the application for extensions of expiring fishing rights.
- Assess quota applications of right holders.
- Prepare submission on allocation of fishing quotas.
- Attend to general enquiries on fisheries management.
- Provide reports, advice and recommendations on economic aspects of fisheries management.
- Participate in national, regional and international fora.
- Carry out any other fisheries economic research and assessment.

## OUR CUSTOMERS

- Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources
- General public
- OMA's & RC's
- NGO's
- Marine Resource Advisory Council
- Fishing industry

## OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

- » Our commitment to our customers is the provision of effective and efficient services; and
- » We strive to execute our duties within the following guiding VALUES;

### Transparency

The Ministry will ensure to deliver its service in a transparent manner, while upholding confidentiality and protect information of individual right holders. The Ministry will maintain close links and constructively exchange of information with the fishing industry and other stakeholders, to ensure better cooperation and understanding on sector issues and thus enhance development and good governance for the benefit of the future generation.

### Accountability

The Ministry will ensure that complaints about our service delivery are dealt with fairly and that a prompt action is taken to rectify shortcomings in areas where satisfactory standards have not been achieved.

### Equity

The Ministry will apply the policy and legislation so as to ensure that equitable access to resources leads to benefit for all interested stakeholders, while facilitating the Namibianisation of the fishing sector.

### Honesty

The Ministry will ensure to, at all times, apply the policy and legislative framework in a fair, trustworthy, genuine and equal manner, while upholding the professional standard in delivering the service

### Loyalty

The Ministry must ensure the creation of a conducive working environment in which staff members will be motivated as team players to conduct their service and make their contributions toward success diligently

### Diligence

The Ministry and its staff are dedicated to provide its services with full commitment in line with the needs and desires of our client/stakeholders as a team.

## OUR SERVICE PROMISE/STANDARDS

### We will:

- Compile fisheries economic contribution to the national economy report on a quarterly basis.
- Produce socio-economic reports annually.
- Analyze patterns of ownership within 2 working days provided all necessary documents are attached.
- Assess and revise requests for extension of fishing rights within 6 months.
- Assess quota applications of right holders within 4 months.
- Prepare submission on allocation of fishing quotas within 3 working days.
- Continuously attend to general enquiries on fisheries management.
- Continuously participate in national, regional and international.
- Carry out any other fisheries economic research and assessment within 6 months.

## WHEN YOU CONTACT US

### If you phone us

- We will answer to your call within 3 rings;
- We will return your call within 2 days if we can't provide an answer immediately.

### If you write to us

- We will acknowledge receipt within 2 working days, provide you with an explanation of how we are handling your case and inform you when to expect an answer.

### If you visit us

- We will attend to you within 5 Minutes if you have an appointment with us;
- We will respond to your questions while you are with us, if we cannot we will let you know why, and when you can expect an answer;
- If you need referral, we will do it on your behalf by phone or by email and copy it to you, and provide you with the name of the person to contact, address and contact details.

