

# FISHING PORT OF BUEU

## GENERAL INFORMATION

DATE OF VISIT: 04/12/2024

### PORT MANAGEMENT

**Port Authority:** -  
**Administrator:** Ports of Galicia

### PORT DESCRIPTION

Fishing activity and fish market.  
**Fishing practice:** fleet of 144 vessels and ships (mostly small-scale fishing vessels)

## MANAGEMENT OF USED FISHING GEAR

### EQUIPMENT / FACILITIES

- Presence of cages installed by Ports of Galicia in selected ports for the exclusive accumulation of gillnets (polyamide).
- No closed area is exclusively dedicated to nets.
- 5 containers for WIF.

### MANAGEMENT / REUSE

- Fishermen manually unload the nets at the port.
- The polyamide nets are placed into the designated cages, as they are the only ones that have value.
- There is no specific collection system for small pieces of nets.
- The removal of nets, other than gill nets, is handled by the Chicolino company.
- A proper net management system has not been implemented in the ports managed by Ports of Galicia.
- No data is available regarding the volume of disused nets.

### CONSTRAINTS (EOLFG and WIF)

- The first waste reception plan has not yet been approved.
- No specific port staff is assigned; the reception and handling of waste are carried out by the fishermen from the docking boats themselves.
- Budget limitations presents a constraint.
- There is a noted indifference and irresponsibility among citizens and port staff regarding the disposal of general waste.

## FISHING FOR LITTER (WIF)

### CURRENT PRACTICES

- The boats are equipped with big bags (1m<sup>3</sup>) or baskets.
- The fishermen manually unload the waste once in port and place the WIF (Waste from Incidental Fishing) into specific 800L containers voluntarily provided by the Mares Circulares initiative.
- No compactor is available at the port.
- The waste is characterized at the port once a month by members of the Mares Circulares initiative.
- Collection occurs periodically every 15 days, except on certain occasions when it is conducted on demand.
- The company *Reciclados Plásticos A Cañiza* is responsible for removing the waste to its facilities, where tonnage control is conducted.
- Amount of waste incidentally fishing: 6.6t (2023) and 1.4t (2022).



### BEST PRACTICES & OBJECTIVES (EOLFG and WIF)

- The *Vertidos Cero Association* and the participating guilds are responsible for communication regarding waste management within the port.

#### Objectives:

- Training is planned to be provided to companies on the collection of both their own waste and passive fishing waste.
- Additional awareness and training campaigns should be conducted.

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