# Methods for verifying seabird-safe practices

This table shows the different methods for verifying if seabird-safe practices are being used and how reliable these methods are.

| Method | Reliability ratings | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Bird-scaring lines | Line weighting | Night setting | Hook-shielding devices | Underwater bait setting |
| Human observers | Best | Best | Best | Best | Best |
| Dockside inspection | Poor | Partial | None | Poor | Poor |
| Remote monitoring systems (VMS/AIS) | None | None | Best | None | None |
| Electronic monitoring | Partial | Partial | Best | Partial | Partial |
| Electronic monitoring and dockside inspection | Partial | Partial | Best | Best | Partial |
| Bird-scaring line tension device | Partial | None | None | None | None |
| Underwater bait setter sensor | None | None | None | None | Partial |

## Reliability ratings

**Best**

Can verify that the seabird-safe practice is being used and all specifications are being met.

**Partial**

Can verify that the seabird-safe practice is being used and some, but not all, specifications are being met.

**Poor**

Cannot verify that the seabird-safe practice is being used but can verify that some specifications are being met.

**None**

Cannot verify that the seabird-safe practice is being used or specifications are being met.

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