



## THAI UNION

### POLICY COMMITMENT TO DOLPHIN SAFETY

Thai Union is committed to the sustainability and diversity of life in our oceans. Our global sustainability strategy, SeaChange®, reflects our commitment to safeguarding the marine environment and driving improvements throughout the seafood supply chain.

As the industry leader in sustainability we take the issue of dolphin safe fishing very seriously. Over the past 25 years, Thai Union has taken active steps to ensure that we do not purchase, process, or sell tuna caught by the intentional chasing and netting of dolphins anywhere in the world.

Thai Union works in partnership with a wide range of NGOs and certification schemes across the world to achieve the highest standards, ensure the tuna that we put on the market is sourced responsibly and drive best practice across the industry. As such, specifically for dolphins:

- Our products in the **United States** comply with the United States 1990 Dolphin Protection Consumer Information Act (Dolphin Safe Labelling Law). The U.S. Dolphin Safe law permits use of a Dolphin Safe tuna label **only** for tuna caught without any intentional encirclement of dolphins and, with later amendments, without any dolphin mortality.
- Our products are also certified 'Dolphin Safe' by Earth Island Institute (EII), an internationally recognized NGO that has established the world's largest private environmental monitoring program aimed at protecting and preserving dolphins. As well as Earth Island Institute, the Dolphin Safe label is supported by Humane Society of the United States, Defenders of Wildlife, Greenpeace USA, and others. Thai Union is not only approved by EII to use the Dolphin Safe logo on products in the U.S., but **all over the world**, including Italy, UK, France, Germany and Thailand.
- We are committed to sourcing tuna certified as sustainable by the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC). To reach this goal, we are establishing Fishery Improvements Projects (FIPs) throughout the world's oceans. These FIPs include specific provisions to protect marine species while providing for the long-term sustainability of the tuna catch.
- Thai Union is among the 15 founding members of the **Thai Tuna Industry Association** (TTIA). The TTIA is fully committed to complying with Dolphin Safe fishing practices.
- As a founding and active participating company with the **International Seafood Sustainability Foundation (ISSF)**, we comply fully with the organization's conservation measures. In addition, the purse seine vessels Thai Union sources from are listed on the ISSF's ProActive Vessel Register (PVR)—a public web



database that shows if a fishing vessel is following best practices, including checks on practices by observers and using non-entangling fish aggregating devices (FADs), which help reduce bycatch of species such as dolphins.

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