

PHILIPPINE PROTECTED SHARKS



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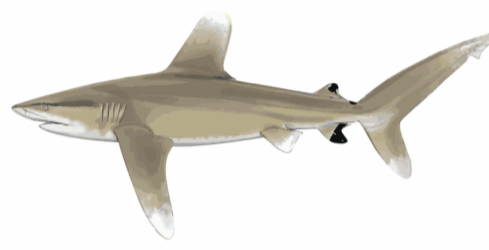


Family Pristidae (sawfishes)



- CR largetooth sawfish *Pristis pristis* length: 7 meters
- CR green sawfish *Pristis zijsron* length: 7.3 meters
- CR narrow sawfish *Anoxypristis cuspidata* length: 3.5 meters *Unconfirmed as of 2023
- CR smalltooth sawfish *Pristis pectinata* length: 5.5 meters *Unconfirmed as of 2023

Family Carcharhinidae (requiem sharks)

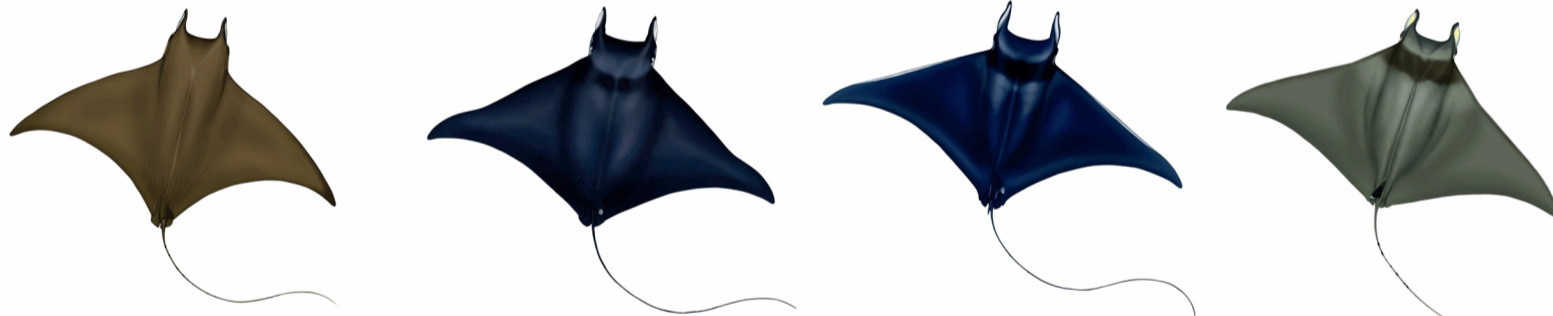


- CR oceanic whitetip shark *Carcharhinus longimanus* length: 3.5 meters

Family Mobulidae (mantas or devil rays)



- VU reef manta ray *Mobula alfredi*¹ disc width: 5.5 meters
- EN oceanic manta ray *Mobula birostris*¹ disc width: 6.7 meters
- EN longhorned mobula, pygmy devilray *Mobula eregoodoo* disc width: 5.2 meters



- EN Chilean devil ray *Mobula tarapacana* disc width: 3.6 meters
- EN bentfin devil ray *Mobula thurstoni* disc width: 2.2 meters
- EN spinetail devil ray *Mobula mobular*² disc width: 3.1 meters
- EN shortfin devil ray *Mobula kuhlii* disc width: 3.2 meters

• Appendix I species •

Fines and Penalties punishable under RA 10654



₱ 500,000 to ₱ 5,000,000 Imprisonment of 12 to 20 years

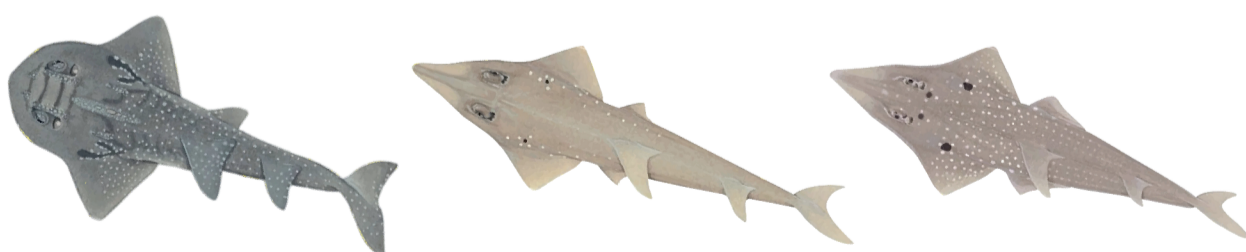
Family Rhincodontidae (whale sharks)



- EN whale shark *Rhincodon typus* length: 21 meters

Family Rhinidae (bowmouth guitarfishes or wedgefishes)

CITES Appendix II – 0 quota



- CR bowmouth guitarfish *Rhina ancylostoma* length: 2.7 meters
- CR bottlenose wedgefish *Rhynchobatus australiae* length: 3 meters
- CR broadnose wedgefish *Rhynchobatus springeri* length: 2.13 meters

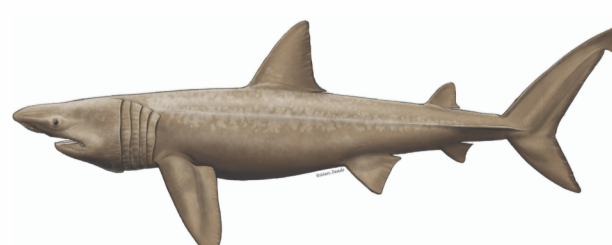
Family Glaucostegidae (giant guitarfishes)

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- CR giant shovelnose ray *Glaucostegus typus* length: 2.7 meters
- CR sharpnose guitarfish *Glaucostegus granulatus* length: 2.8 meters *Unconfirmed as of 2023
- CR Halavi guitarfish *Glaucostegus halavi* length: 1.7 meters *Unconfirmed as of 2023

Family Cetorhinidae (basking sharks)



- CR basking shark *Cetorhinus maximus* length: 15.2 meters

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₱ 300,000 to ₱ 3,000,000 Imprisonment of 5 to 8 years

¹ Synonymous with *Manta alfredi* and *Manta birostris*.
² *Mobula mobular* and *Mobula japonica* are conspecific, with *Mobula mobular* being the valid name.
³ *Mobula kuhlii* and *Mobula eregoodoo* are conspecific, with *Mobula kuhlii* being the valid name.
⁴ Unconfirmed presence in the Philippines but part of distribution range.
 Sources: Ebert, D. A., et al. (2020). *Sharks of the World: A Complete Guide*. Last, P.R., et al. (2017). *Rays of the World*. Cometook Publishing Associates.
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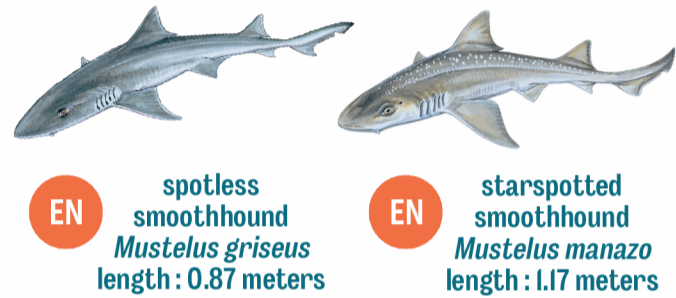
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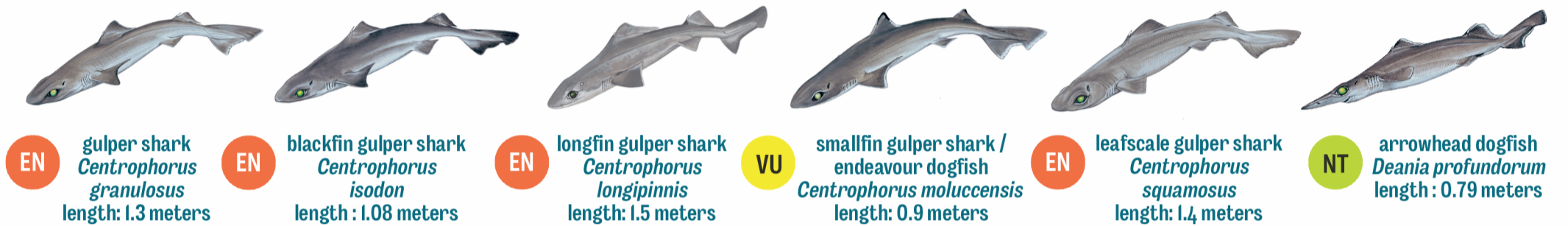
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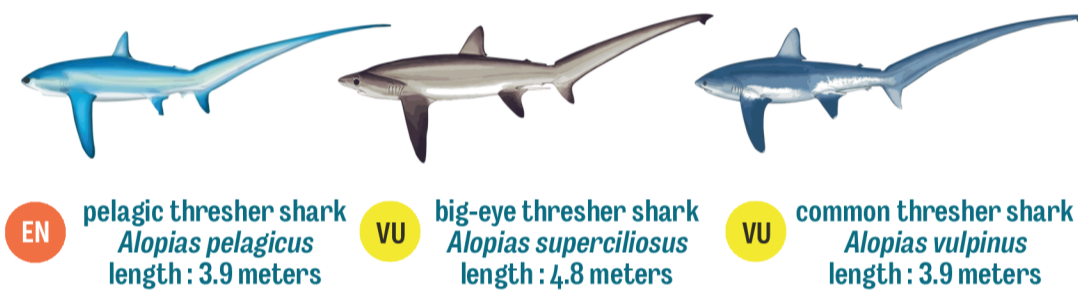


Family Centrophoridae (Deep water gulper sharks)

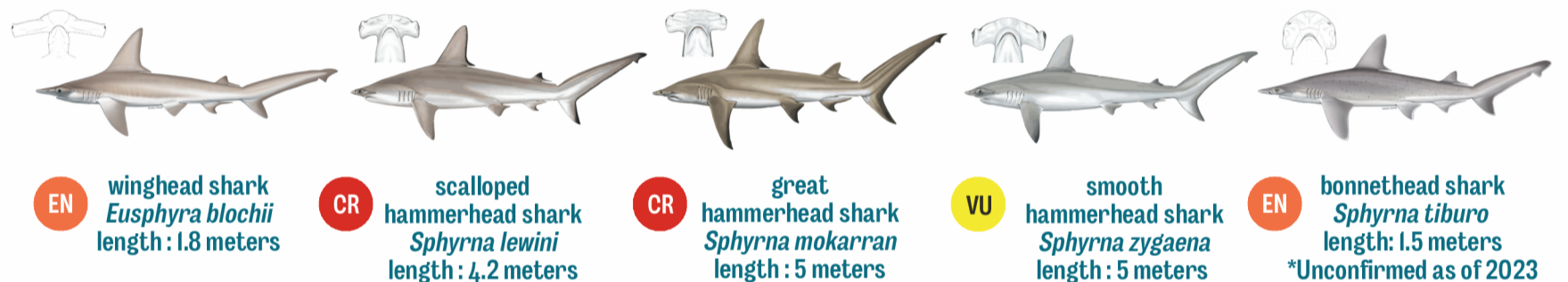
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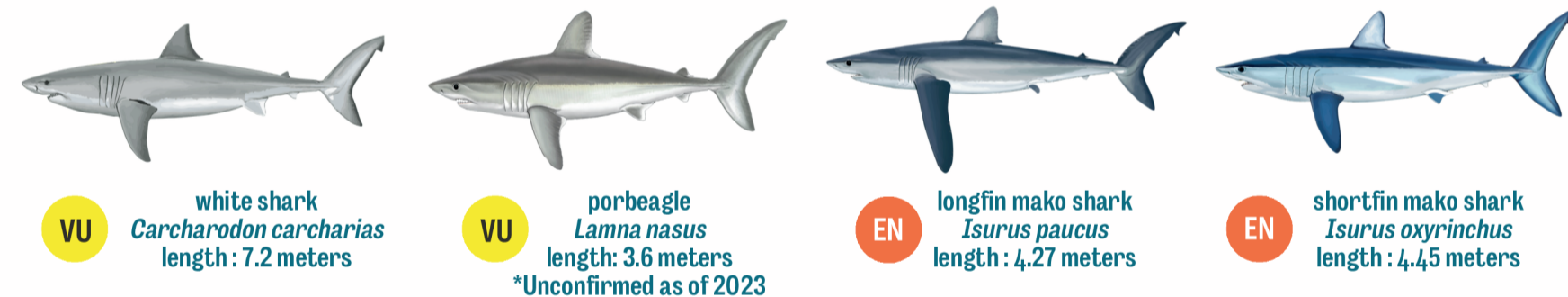
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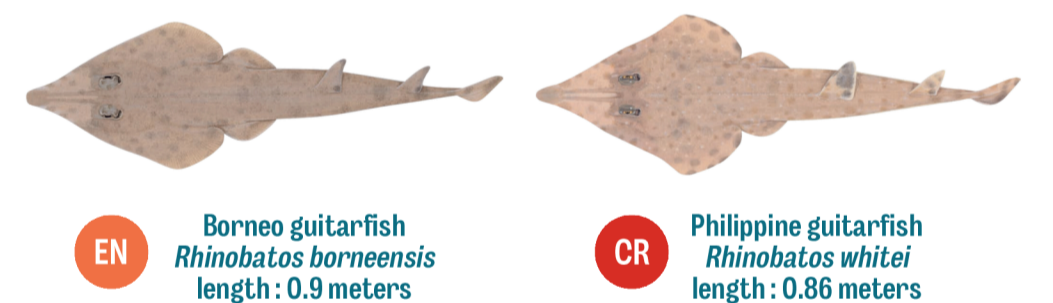
Family Sphyrnidae (hammerhead sharks)



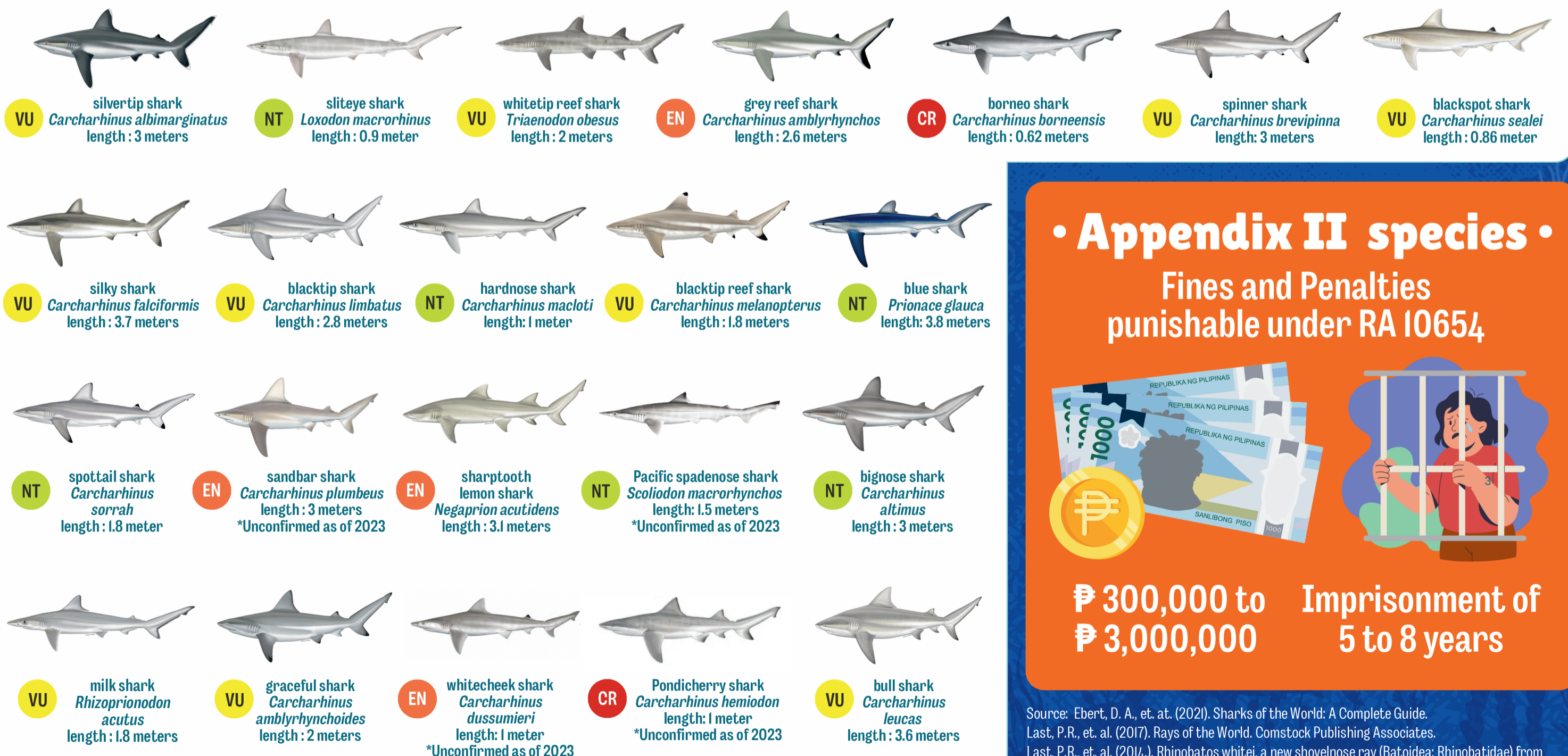
Family Lamnidae (mackerel sharks)



Family Rhinobatidae (guitarfishes)



Family Carcharhinidae (requiem sharks)



Appendix II species

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