

**Status, Assessment and Management Information for NEFMC Managed Fisheries
September 14, 2018**

Fishery Management Plan: Northeast Multispecies

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Status	Last / Next Planned Assessment or Update ^{1,B}	Acceptable Biological Catch Annual Catch Limit (ABC/ACL) Default Management Uncertainty Buffer ² for components of the fishery with sub-ACLs	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Cod, GB	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2026	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	<p>Proactive: <u>Common pool:</u> Trimester TAC, DAS, and stock area closures <u>Sectors:</u> In-season ACL, stock area closures <u>Recreational</u> – GOM cod and haddock - NMFS, in consultation with the Council, will implement measures to prevent recreational fishery from exceeding applicable sub- ACL in following years, AMs may include adjustments to fishing season, minimum fish size, and possession limits.</p> <p>Reactive: <u>Sectors</u> – Overages deducted from a sector's allocation in next fishing year <u>Common pool</u> – Overages deducted from sub-ACL <u>Non-allocated stocks</u>- gear restrictions in year 2 or 3 following the overage, depending on timing of information <u>Other fisheries</u> – sub-ACLs with associated AMs for certain groundfish stocks caught by the scallop fishery (windowpane flounder stocks, GB and SNE/MA yellowtail flounder stocks), small mesh fisheries (GB yellowtail flounder); and mid-water trawl herring fishery (haddock stocks).</p>
Cod, GOM	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2024	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC comm.; 93% of sub-ABC rec.	
Haddock, GB	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC 93% of sub-ABC MWT	
Haddock, GOM	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC comm.; 93% of sub-ABC rec. 93% of sub-ABC MWT	
YTF, GB	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2032	JUL 2017/ JUL 2018	97% of sub-ABC 93% of sub-ABC small-mesh 97% of sub-ABC scallops	
YTF, SNE/MA	Overfishing Overfished	No longer rebuilt	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC 100% of sub-ABC scallops	
YTF, CC/GOM	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2023	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
American Plaice	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuild by 2024	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
Witch Fl.	Unknown Overfished	Rebuild by 2017	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
Winter Fl., GB	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuild by 2017	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	97% of sub-ABC	
Winter Fl., GOM	No overfishing Unknown	Stock status unknown	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
Winter Fl., SNE/MA	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2023	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
GB/GOM Acadian Redfish	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
Pollock	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
White Hake	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuild by 2014	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of sub-ABC	
Ocean Pout	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2014	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	93% of sub-ABC	
SNE/MAB Windowpane	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	93% of sub-ABC	

¹ Terminal year for data used in assessments typically is the year before the assessment.

^B Indicates a benchmark assessment.

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²The following default management uncertainty buffers are used for groundfish stocks: 3% for stocks with no state waters catch; 7% for zero possession stocks; 7% for recreational allocations; and 5% for all other stocks/components of the fishery.

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Northeast Multispecies - continued

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Atlantic Halibut	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2055	DEC 2017/ TBD 2019	95% of ABC	Same as above
Atlantic Wolffish	No overfishing Overfished	Unable to determine rebuilding period	SEP 2017/ TBD 2019	93% of ABC	

Fishery Management Plan: Skates

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Year	Last / Next Assessment	ABC/ACL Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Barndoor	No overfishing Not overfished	NA	Last: DEC 2008 Next: (data update) 2018	ABC=ACL ACT = 75% ACL determined for catch of all skate species combined	Proactive: In-season possession limit triggers Reactive: Adjustments to TAL triggers and ACL- ACT buffer
Clearnose	Unknown ^A	NA			
Little	No overfishing Not overfished	NA			
Smooth ^B	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuild by 2020			
Thorny	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2028			
Winter	No overfishing Not overfished	NA			
Rosette	Unknown ^B	NA			

A – 2018 stock status memo could not update stock status because of incomplete trawl survey; last known stock status was no overfishing and not overfished.

B – 2018 stock status memo determined smooth skate to be rebuilt.

Fishery Management Plan: Herring

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Year	Last / Next Assessment	ABC/ACL Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Herring	No overfishing Not overfished	NA	Last: (benchmark) June 2018 Next: (TBD)	Total of management area ACLs = 94.1% ABC	Proactive: Closure of stock-wide directed fishery at 95% of ACL; sub-ACL triggers for specific management areas are 92% of each sub-ACL; closure of directed fishery for haddock incidental catch sub-ACL in appropriate area;

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Fishery Management Plan: Sea Scallops

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Year	Last / Next Assessment	ABC/ACL Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Scallops	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	Last: (benchmark) June 2018 Next: TBD	ABC=ACL sub-ACLs for limited access (LA) & limited access general category (LAGC) fleets	Reactive: 1) LA – DAS reduced in next year; 2) LAGC – IFQs reduced in next year

Fishery Management Plan: Monkfish

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Year	Last / Next Assessment	ABC/ACL Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Northern Management Area	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	Last: (update) 2016 Next: (benchmark) TBD	ACL=ABC ACLs for northern (NMA) & southern management areas (SMA)	Proactive: SMA ACT = 97% of ABC NMA ACT = 97% of ABC Reactive: ACL overages to be deducted from ACT by adjusting mgt. measures in 2 nd year after overages or Regional Administrator may adjust DAS and trip limits by
Southern Management Area	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt			

Fishery Management Plan: Red crab

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Year	Last / Next Assessment	ABC/ACL Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Red crab	No overfishing Not overfished (2009 Data Poor Work Group)	NA	Last: DEC 2008** Next: TBD	ACL=ABC (ABC is defined in terms of landings)	Proactive (options): A) NMFS will close fishery when it is projected to reach the ACL B) ACT Reactive (option): Payback excess catch over the ACL in the

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Fishery Management Plan: **Small Mesh Multispecies** (Whiting, Red hake, Offshore hake)

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Year	Last / Next Assessment	ABC/ACL Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Silver hake, Northern	No overfishing Not overfished	NA	Last: (operational assessment): July 2011 Last (update assessment): July 2017 Next: Red hake - TBD Silver hake TBD	ACL = 95% of ABC	<p>Proactive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incidental possession limits when 90% of TALs reached. 37.5% for northern red hake due to prior overages. <p>Reactive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In-season triggers are reduced by the proportion of prior overages, when the overages exceed 5% of the ACL.
Silver hake, Southern	No overfishing Not overfished	NA			
Red hake, Northern	Not overfished Not overfished	NA			
Red hake, Southern	Overfishing in 2016 Overfished	NA			
Offshore hake	Status unknown	NA			