



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### MEETING NOTICE

## JOINT GROUND FISH COMMITTEE AND SCALLOP COMMITTEE MEETING

**Date:** Monday, June 18, 2012  
**Time:** 12:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Holiday Inn by the Bay  
88 Spring Street  
Portland, ME 04101  
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#### Agenda:

The Council's Groundfish and Scallop Oversight Committees will hold a joint meeting. The Committees will discuss the low fishing year 2012 annual catch limit (ACL) for Georges Bank yellowtail flounder and will develop recommendations for the Council on how to mitigate the impacts of this restrictive catch. The Committees may discuss regulatory measures such as gear requirements, possession limits or other restrictions on fishing activity, as well as possible adjustments to sub-ACLs of Georges Bank yellowtail flounder. They may also discuss modifications to the way groundfish and scallop accountability measures are implemented. Committee discussions will not be limited solely to actions that the Council may take. They may also develop recommendations for actions by the National Marine Fisheries Service, science - industry partners or suggestions for the Transboundary Management Guidance Committee. Any recommendations will be forwarded to the Council at a future date. Other business may be discussed.

#### Directions:

***From points North and South*** – Take Exit 44 off Route 95 North/South to 295 North to Exit 7 (Franklin Street). Continue straight on Franklin Street to the 5<sup>th</sup> light where you will take a right onto Middle Street. Middle Street turns into Spring Street and the Holiday Inn will be on the left just before the 4<sup>th</sup> light.

*This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities.*

**Note: If you are submitting comments for Council consideration at this meeting they must be received at the office by 12 p.m. EST on Thursday, June 14, 2012.**

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cc: Groundfish and Scallop Interested Parties, Advisors and PDT  
Notice Date: May 29, 2012