

**Status, Assessment and Management Information for NEFMC Managed Fisheries  
September 19, 2012**

**Fishery Management Plan: Northeast Multispecies**

<b>Stock</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Rebuilding Status</b>	<b>Last / Next Planned Assessment<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Acceptable Biological Catch Annual Catch Limit (ABC/ACL) Buffer</b>	<b>Accountability Measures (AMs)</b>
Cod, GB	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2026	FEB 2012 / DEC 2012	95% of ABC	<p><b>Proactive:</b> Common pool: FYs 2012 &amp; beyond - Trimester hard-TAC added to DAS</p> <p><b>Reactive:</b> <u>Sectors</u> - Overages deducted from a sector's allocation in next fishing year <u>Common pool</u> – A) Differential DAS counting in B) Overages deducted from sub-ACL in FYs 2012 &amp; beyond <u>Recreational</u> - 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>
Cod, GOM	Overfishing Overfished	TBD	JAN 2012 / DEC 2012	95% of ABC comm.; 93% of ABC rec	
Haddock, GB	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	
Haddock, GOM	Overfishing Not overfished	Nearing overfished	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC comm.; 93% of ABC rec	
YTF, GB	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2032	JUN 2012/ JUN 2013	97% of ABC	
YTF, SNE/MA	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2014	JUN 2012/ TBD	93% of ABC	
YTF, CC/GOM	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2023	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	
American Plaice	No overfishing Not overfished	TBD	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	
Witch Fl.	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2017	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	
Winter Fl., GB	Overfishing Not Overfished	Rebuild by 2017	JUN 2011/ TBD	95% of ABC	
Winter Fl., GOM	No overfishing Unknown	Stock status unknown	JUN 2011 / TBD	95% of ABC	
Winter Fl., SNE/MA	No overfishing Overfished	TBD	JUN 2011 / TBD	93% of ABC	
GB/GOM Acadian Redfish	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	
Pollock	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	2010/ TBD	95% of ABC	
White Hake	Overfishing <sup>2</sup> Overfished <sup>3</sup>	Rebuild by 2014	FEB 2012 <sup>3</sup> / FEB 2013	95% of ABC	
Ocean Pout	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2017	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	
SNE/MAB Windowpane	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	
GOM/GB Windowpane	Overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2017	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	

<sup>1</sup> Terminal year for data used in assessments typically is the year before the assessment. For example, the terminal year for GARM 2008 assessments was 2007.

<sup>2</sup> Both overfished and overfishing determinations for white hake are based on the 2008 assessment. Only a limited update of data was done in Feb 2012 and new benchmark assessment is scheduled for FEB 2013.

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**Northeast Multispecies - continued**

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Status	Last / Next Planned Assessment	Acceptable Biological Catch Annual Catch Limit (ABC/ACL) Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Atlantic Halibut	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2055	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% of ABC	Same as above
Atlantic Wolffish	No overfishing Overfished	Unable to determine rebuilding period	FEB 2012 / TBD	95% 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: TBD in 2013	ABC=ACL ACT = 75% ACL determined for catch of all skate species combined	<b>Proactive:</b> In-season possession limit triggers  <b>Reactive:</b> Adjustments to TAL triggers and ACL-ACT buffer
Clearnose	No overfishing Not overfished	NA			
Little	No overfishing Not overfished	NA			
Smooth	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2019			
Thorny	No overfishing Overfished	Rebuild by 2014			
Winter	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuild by 2013			
Rosette	No overfishing Not overfished	NA			

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**Fishery Management Plan: Herring**

Stock	Status	Rebuilding Year	Last / Next Assessment	ABC/ACL Buffer	Accountability Measures (AMs)
Herring	No overfishing Not overfished	NA	Last: SAW/SARC June 2012	Total of management area ACLs = 86% ABC	<b>Proactive:</b> Closure of directed fishery at 95% of ACL; closure for haddock incidental catch sub-ACL  <b>Reactive:</b> ACL overage payback

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**Fishery Management Plan: Sea Scallops**

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Georges Bank/Mid-Atlantic	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	Last Benchmark: July 2010  Next: TBD	ABC=ACL sub-ABC for limited access (LA) & limited access general category (LAGC) fleets	<b>Proactive:</b> Buffer options for mgt. uncertainty: 1) LA – catch set a F level with a 25% chance of exceeding ACL (about 14% of the ACL) 2) LAGC – 0% because of ITQ fishery <b>Reactive:</b> 1) LA – DAS reduced in next year; 2) LAGC – IFQs reduced in next year

LA – Limited access vessels that are allocated 95% of the ACL

LAGC – Limited access general category ITQ program which is allocated 5.5% of the ACL

**Fishery Management Plan: Monkfish**

<b>Stock</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Rebuilding Year</b>	<b>Last / Next Assessment</b>	<b>ABC/ACL Buffer</b>	<b>Accountability Measures (AMs)</b>
Northern Management Area	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	Last assessment: July 2010	ACL=ABC ACLs for northern (NMA) & southern management areas (SMA)	<b>Proactive:</b> SMA ACT = 93% of ABC NMA ACT = 86.5% of ABC <b>Reactive:</b> ACL overages to be deducted from ACT by adjusting mgt. measures in 2 <sup>nd</sup> year after overages or Regional Administrator may adjust DAS and trip limits by notice action.
Southern Management Area	No overfishing Not overfished	Rebuilt	Next assessment: TBD in 2013		

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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 Working Group)	NA*	Last: DEC 2008** Next: TBD	ACL=ABC	<b>Proactive</b> (options): A) NMFS would close fishery when it was projected to reach the ACL B) ACT <b>Reactive</b> (option): Payback excess catch over the ACL in the next period

\* Not possible to develop a  $B_{MSY}$  proxy for red crab

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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: Data Poor Working Group Jan 2011  Next: TBD	ACL = 95% of ABC	<b>Proactive:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incidental possession limits when 90% of TALs reached</li> </ul> <b>Reactive:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACL overages deducted from ACLs in the second year following the overages</li> </ul>
Silver hake, Southern	No overfishing Not overfished	NA			
Red hake, Northern	Overfishing unknown Not overfished	NA			
Red hake, Southern	Overfishing unknown Not overfished	NA			
Offshore hake	Overfishing undefined Not overfished	NA			