

















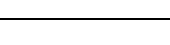

























EU fisheries in the North East Atlantic, North Sea and Baltic Sea in line with maximum sustainable yield (MSY)


















20 December 2019

Following decisions from the Council on 30 October and 18 December 2019 and previous negotiations with third countries, the following fish stocks should be harvested in line with the maximum sustainable yield (MSY) in 2020, to allow for long-term high yields (provided that the corresponding total allowable catches [TAC] are respected).

		Common name	Species	Catch areas
1		Anglerfish	<i>Lophius piscatorius</i>	Celtic Sea, Irish Sea
2		Anglerfish	<i>Lophius piscatorius</i>	Bay of Biscay – North, Central, Off Shore and West of Bay of Biscay
3		Anglerfish	<i>Lophius piscatorius</i>	Bay of Biscay - South, Portuguese Waters, Azores Grounds, CECAF 34.1.1
4		Blue ling	<i>Molva dypterygia</i>	EU and international waters of Faroes Grounds, Rockall, Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland, the Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland also known as the West of Scotland; Irish Sea, West of Ireland, Porcupine Bank, Eastern and Western English Channel, Bristol Channel, Celtic Sea North and South, and Southwest of Ireland - East and West
5		Cod	<i>Gadus morhua</i>	Baltic Sea -Western
6		Haddock	<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	EU and international waters of Rockall, North of Azores and East Greenland
7		Haddock	<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Irish Sea
8		Haddock	<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	North Sea, Norwegian Sea (EU waters)
9		Haddock	<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Kattegat and Skagerrak, Union waters of subdivisions 22-32
10		Haddock	<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Faroes Grounds and West of Scotland
11		Haddock	<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Celtic Sea, Bay of Biscay, Portuguese Waters, Union waters of CECAF
12 - 15		Hake	<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Overall northern stocks (4)
16		Hake	<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Bay of Biscay - South, Portuguese waters, Azores grounds, Union waters of CECAF

		Common name	Species	Catch areas
17		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Irish Sea
18		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea - Central (25-29, 32)
19		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea - Riga (28.1)
20 new		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat (directed fishery)
21 new		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat (bycatch)
22 new		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Union and Norwegian waters of the Northern and Central North Sea
23 new		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	Southern North Sea and Eastern English Channel
24 new		Herring	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	North Sea, Eastern English Channel and Union waters of the Norwegian Sea
25		Horse Mackerel	<i>Trachurus trachurus</i>	Portuguese waters
26		Horse Mackerel	<i>Trachurus trachurus</i>	Norwegian Sea, Northern North Sea; Rockall, Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland, the Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland also known as the West of Scotland, Irish Sea, West of Ireland, Porcupine Bank, Western English Channel, Bristol Channel, Celtic Sea, South-West of Ireland, Bay of Biscay – North – Central – Offshore and West; Union and international waters of Faroes Grounds; international waters of North of Azores and East Greenland
27		Horse Mackerel	<i>Trachurus trachurus</i>	Bay of Biscay - South
28		Megrim	<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Norwegian Sea (EU waters), North Sea (EU waters)
29		Megrim	<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Union and international waters of Faroes Grounds; Rockall, Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland, the Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland also known as the West of Scotland; international waters of North of Azores and East Greenland
30		Megrim	<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Irish Sea
31		Megrim	<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Bay of Biscay – North – Central – Offshore and West of Bay of Biscay

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32		Megrim	<i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Bay of Biscay - South, Portuguese Waters, Azores Grounds, CECAF 34.1.1
33		Northern Prawn	<i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat
34		Northern Seabass	<i>Dicentrarchus Labrax</i>	Celtic Sea, Channel, Irish Sea, Southern North Sea
35		Norway lobster	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Norwegian Sea (EU waters), North Sea (EU waters)
36		Norway lobster	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Faroes Grounds (EU and international waters), Rockall, Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland
37		Norway lobster	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat, Union waters of subdivisions 22-32
38		Norway lobster	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Celtic Sea, Irish Sea
39		Norway lobster	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Bay of Biscay – North – Central – Offshore and West of Bay of Biscay
40		Norway pout	<i>Trisopterus esmarkii</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat; EU waters of Norwegian Sea and North Sea
41		Plaice	<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Eastern English Channel, Western English Channel
42		Plaice	<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Union waters of the Norwegian Sea and the North Sea not covered by Skagerrak and Kattegat
43		Plaice	<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Kattegat
44		Plaice	<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Skagerrak
45		Plaice	<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Irish Sea

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46		Plaice	<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Baltic Sea
47		Saithe	<i>Pollachius virens</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat, North Sea, EU waters of Norwegian Sea, Sound, Belt Sea
48		Saithe	<i>Pollachius virens</i>	Rockall, Northwest Coast of Scotland and North Ireland also known as the West of Scotland; EU and international waters of Faroes Grounds, North of Azores and East Greenland
49		Salmon	<i>Salmo salar</i>	Baltic main basin
50		Sandeel	<i>Ammodytes tobianus</i>	Union waters of Norwegian Sea; Kattegat and Skagerrak; North Sea
51		Sole	<i>Solea spp.</i>	Irish Sea
52		Sole	<i>Solea spp.</i>	Western English Channel
53		Sole	<i>Solea spp.</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat, Sound, Belt Sea, Union waters of Subdivisions 22-32
54		Sole	<i>Solea spp.</i>	Bristol Channel and Celtic Sea North
55		Sole	<i>Solea spp.</i>	Bay of Biscay – North and Central
56		Sole	<i>Solea spp.</i>	Norwegian Sea (EU waters), North Sea (EU waters)
57 new		Sprat	<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Skagerrak and Kattegat
58		Sprat	<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Baltic Sea: 22-32
59		Sprat	<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Norwegian Sea (EU waters), North Sea (EU waters)
60 new		Turbot and Brill	<i>Psetta maxima, Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	Norwegian Sea and the North Sea
61		Whiting	<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	North Sea, Union waters of Norwegian Sea, Union waters of the North Sea
62		Whiting	<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	West of Ireland, Porcupine Bank, Eastern English Channel, Western English Channel, Bristol Channel, Celtic Sea North, Celtic Sea South, South-West of Ireland – East and West

new Stocks that were not in line with MSY in previous year.