

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)

I. STATUS

SSC Meetings:

- October 13, 2021, webinar: The SSC received information from the 2020 management track assessment for scallops and from the Scallop PDT. Based on this information, the SSC developed OFL and ABC recommendations for the scallop fishery for fishing years 2022 and 2023 (default).
- October 25, 2021, webinar: The SSC received information from the 2020 management track assessments for Georges Bank (GB) and Gulf of Maine (GOM) haddock stocks, and GB and GOM cod stocks. Based on these assessment and information provided by the Groundfish PDT, the SSC developed OFL and ABC recommendations for GB and GOM haddock for fishing years 2022 – 2024; an ABC recommendation for GB cod and an OFL and ABC recommendations for GOM cod. The SSC also developed revised OFL and ABC recommendations for white hake for fishing year 2022 based on the information provided by the PDT.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

No action is required.

III. INFORMATION

1. Presentation: SSC Chair, Dr. Kerr (*to be provided*)
2. SSC Report – Scallops: Memo from SSC re Overfishing levels (OFLs) and acceptable biological catch (ABC) recommendations for Atlantic sea scallops for fishing year 2022 and 2023 (default)
3. SSC Report – Groundfish: OFL and ABC recommendations for GB and GOM cod and haddock stocks for fishing years 2022 to 2024, and for white hake for fishing year 2022.
4. Information considered by the SSC in developing scallop OFL and ABC recommendations ([SSC Scallops](#))
5. Information considered by the SSC in developing OFL and ABC recommendations for groundfish stocks ([SSC Groundfish](#))