

Groundfish Committee Report

Council Meeting
Gloucester, MA and Webinar
September 24, 2025

Groundfish Outlook by Quarter in 2025, updated September 2, 2025, NEFMC Staff

Council Priority*	Jan – Mar		Apr - Jun		July - Sept		Oct - Dec	
Amendment 23 Review	Complete development of metrics and indicators				On pause given change in Council priorities			
Framework Adjustment 69	Preliminary & Final Submissions						GARFO implementation	
Amendment 25		Final Submission		NOAA disapproval; Council priority change to revise and resubmit		Final action on resubmission		
Recreational Measures	Develop recommendations cod & haddock						GARFO implementation	
Framework Adjustment 72				Initiate action	Develop specifications & measures, conduct analysis			Final action
Redfish Sector Exemption Review			Develop review		On pause given change in Council priorities			
ABC Control Rules Framework (68)	Staff tracks implementation strategy for revised Risk Policy, contract work conducted to evaluate integration of revised Risk Policy with revised ABC CRs							
Atlantic Cod Management	Continue to develop transition plan, planning for Phase 2							
Stock Assessments				Domestic updates for transboundary mgmt. (cod, haddock, yellowtail flounder) (Jul.)		MT- yellowtail flounder (GB, CC/GOM, SNE/MA), winter flounder (GB, GOM, SNE/MA), redfish, white hake Data updates - windowpane flounder (N. and S.), ocean pout, wolffish (Sept.)		
2026 Priorities					Make additions to list of possible priorities		Final priorities	

*Additional: Participate in TMGC, coordinate on EFH designation updates, consult on protected species actions, and provide input for EO 14276

For Today

- Revised Amendment 25
 - Take final action on the repackaged and revised action
- Framework 72
 - Receive an update on development of the action

Revised Amendment 25 / Atlantic Cod Specifications and Management



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- Take final action on the repackaged and revised action.
- Discussion and motion to submit the revised action.

Amendment 25 Disapproval

NOAA decision letter: Amendment 25 disapproved as of May 19, 2025

Rationale: “Amendment 25 and its supporting analyses do not adequately demonstrate how the proposed action is consistent with National Standard 1 or other required provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Act.”

Response pathway:

Revise Amendment 25 to incorporate the elements necessary for the action to be consistent with the National Standards and required provisions of the MSA (i.e., the SDCs, distribution of ABCs, and accountability measures for the four cod stocks, as developed and included in Framework 69)

Council Motion – June 25, 2025

To reinitiate A25 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan as advised by NOAA's May 19th letter to the Council, focusing only on reformatting the cod-specific management measures as previously submitted in Amendment 25 (Sept. 2024 Council final action) and Framework 69 (Dec. 2024 Council final action).

Draft Timeline for Revised Amendment 25

- **June** – initiate the action
- **September** – take final action
- Implementation by **May 1, 2026**, NMFS

Draft Scope of Revised Amendment 25

- Add the four Atlantic cod stock units of Eastern Gulf of Maine (EGOM) cod, Western Gulf of Maine (WGOM) cod, Georges Bank (GB) cod, and Southern New England (SNE) cod to the FMP
- Fishing year (FY) 2026-2027 Specifications and Management Measures for Atlantic cod, to:
 - Set Status Determination Criteria
 - Set FY2026-FY2027 specifications for EGOM cod, WGOM cod, and SNE cod,
 - Set FY2026 specifications for GB cod,
 - Review sub-component analysis for the four cod stocks
 - Establish recreational sub-ACL for WGOM cod and SNE cod
 - Establish management uncertainty buffers
 - Establish common pool accountability measures
 - Set recreational measures
 - Establish Regional Administrator authority to adjust recreational measures for EGOM cod and GB cod

Draft Alternatives for Revised Amendment 25

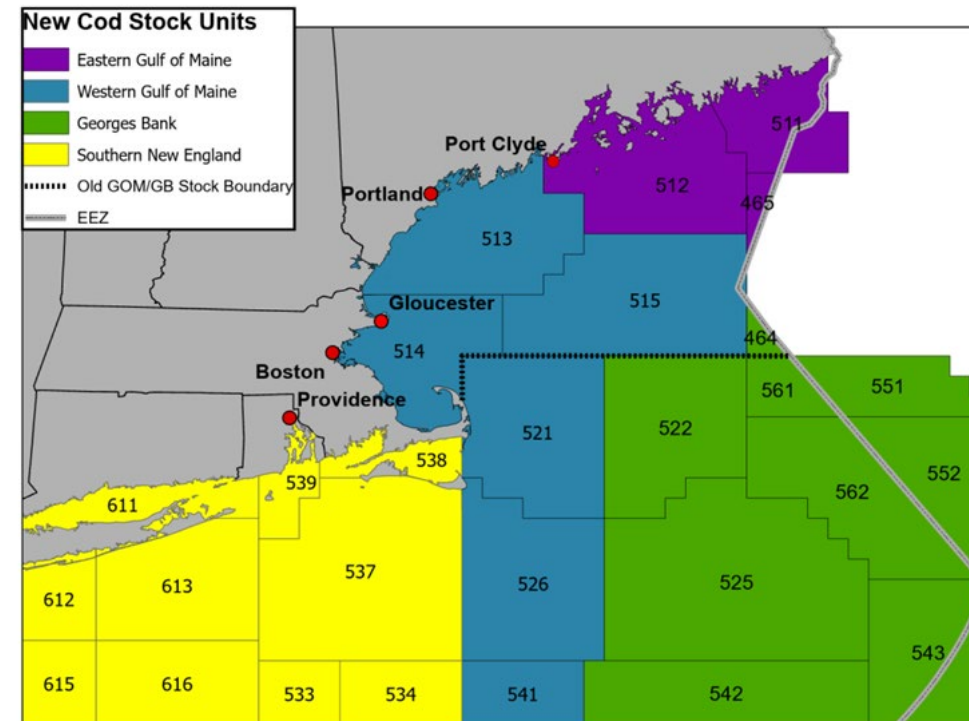
1. Incorporating Revised Atlantic Cod Stock Units into the Northeast Multispecies FMP
2. Atlantic Cod Status Determination Criteria
3. Revised Specifications for Atlantic Cod
 - FY2026-FY2027 specifications for EGOM cod, WGOM cod, and SNE cod,
 - FY2026 specifications for GB cod,
 - Sub-component analysis for the four cod stocks
 - Management uncertainty buffers for the four cod stocks
 - Recreational sub-ACL for WGOM cod and SNE cod
 - WGOM cod ABC apportionment
4. Commercial Fishery Measures – Atlantic Cod
 - Common pool accountability measures for the four cod stocks
5. Recreational Fishery Measures – Atlantic Cod
 - SNE cod recreational measures
 - Regional Administrator process to adjust recreational measures for EGOM cod and GB cod

Action 1 – Incorporating Revised Atlantic Cod Stock Units into the Northeast Multispecies FMP

Alternative 1 – No Action

Alternative 2 – Status Quo

Alternative 3 – Revise Atlantic Cod Stock Units in the FMP (*Preferred*)



Action 2 – Status Determination Criteria

Alternative 1 – No Action

Alternative 2 – New Status Determination Criteria for Cod Stocks
(*Preferred*)

Action 3 – Revised Specifications

Alternative 1 – No Action

- No specifications for Atlantic cod for FY2026

Alternative 2 – Revised Specifications for Atlantic Cod (*Preferred*)

- FY2026-FY2027 specifications for EGOM cod, WGOM cod, and SNE cod
- FY2026 specifications for GB cod [*placeholder*]
- Recreational sub-ACL for WGOM cod
- WGOM cod ABC apportionment to derive the WGOM cod commercial sub-ACL
- Sub-component analysis
- Management uncertainty buffers

Alternative 3 – Southern New England Cod Recreational Sub-ACL

- **Option 1** – No Action
- **Option 2** - Set Southern New England Cod Recreational Sub-ACL (*Preferred*)

Action 3 – Revised Specifications

Stock	FY	OFL	US ABC	State-Waters Sub-Component	Other sub-component	Scallops	Groundfish Sub-ACL	Comm. Ground-fish Sub-ACL	Rec Ground-fish Sub-ACL	Preliminary Sectors Sub-ACL	Preliminary Non-sector Groundfish Sub-ACL	MWT or Small mesh Sub-ACL	Total ACL
EGOM Cod	2026	50	39	0.2	0.4		37	36.5		35.1	1.4		37
	2027	39	30	0.2	0.3		28	28.1		27.0	1.1		29
WGOM Cod	2026	603	460	23	5.0		407	289.8	118	278.9	10.9		436
	2027	769	586	30	6.4		519	369.2	150	355.3	13.9		555
GB Cod	2026	433	106		8.5		93	92.6		89.4	3.2		101
	2027												
SNE Cod†	2026	47	36	6.1	3.2		25	6.7	18	6.5	0.2		34
	2027	65	36	6.1	3.2		25	6.7	18	6.5	0.2		34

GB cod FY2026 specifications placeholder value:

- Uses the FY2026 total ABC (331 mt), as recommended by the SSC in July 2024, as the U.S./Canada shared TAC and applies the 2026 country shares (68% Canada / 32% U.S.)
- Intend to be replaced with updated specifications in Framework 72 incorporating 2026 TMGC recommendations and considerations by the SSC

Action 4 – Commercial Fishery Management Measures

Alternative 1 – Common Pool Accountability Measures for Cod Stocks

- **Option 1** – No Action
- **Option 2** – Common Pool Trimester Total Allowable Catch (TAC) Distributions and Closure Areas (*Preferred*)
- **Option 3** – Common Pool Baseline Trip Limits (*Preferred*)
 - *No adjustments to the approaches for determining trip limits*

Action 5 – Recreational Fishery Management Measures

Alternative 1 – Recreational Fishing Measures for Southern New England Cod

- **Option 1** – No Action
- **Option 2** - Recreational Fishing Measures for Southern New England Cod (*Preferred*)
 - Zero possession

Alternative 2 - Regulatory Process for Regional Administrator to Adjust Recreational Measures for Cod Stocks

- **Option 1** – No Action
- **Option 2** - Establish a Regulatory Process for the Regional Administrator to Adjust Recreational Measures for Eastern Gulf of Maine Cod and Georges Bank Cod (*Preferred*) *[placeholder]*
 - Framework 72 alternative to consider establishing this process permanently for cod and haddock

Draft Impact Analysis for Revised Amendment 25

- Added for Action 1 – Incorporating Revised Cod Stock Units into FMP
- Actions 2-5 - impact analyses from Framework 69
 - Not updated – same basis applies to measures for FY2026 and information to update is not available

See Draft Revised A25
Environmental Assessment

- Draft Environmental Assessment will comply with updated NEPA requirements (i.e., page limits) - move Affected Environment section to an appendix

Draft Revised Amendment 25 Appendices

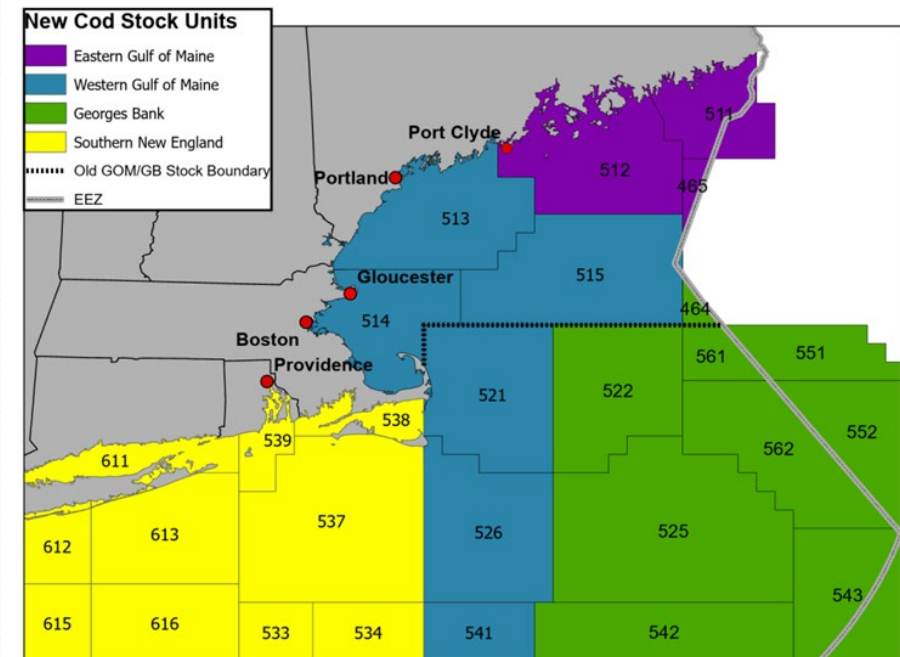
- Appendix I - Scientific and Statistical Committee Recommendations for Atlantic Cod FY2025– FY2027
- Appendix II - Calculation of Northeast Multispecies Annual Catch Limits FY2025– FY2027
- Appendix III - Development of Phase 1 Measures for Atlantic Cod Management Transition Plan: Bridge Approach for Sector Allocation
- Appendix IV - Development of Phase 1 Measures for Atlantic Cod Management Transition Plan: Common Pool and Recreational Measures
- Appendix V - Risk Policy Matrices for Atlantic Cod Stocks

Appendix III – Development of Phase 1 Cod Sector Allocation Bridge Approach

- Summarizes the development of the Council’s “bridge approach” for sector allocations for Phase 1 of the Atlantic cod management transition plan
 - Committee/Council intended the bridge approach as a short-term approach for Phase 1 in order to have necessary management measures in place by May 1, 2025 (now May 1, 2026)
 - Phase 2 will consider longer-term approaches
- References Committee tasking for the PDT, supporting PDT analyses, and Committee decision making throughout Framework 69 development
- Provides illustrative examples to demonstrate other approaches that were considered and how these informed the Council’s final selected approach

Council's proposed “bridge year” approach for sector allocation

- Maintains existing potential sector allocations (PSCs) for allocating to the commercial fishery
 - Applies 2 existing cod PSCs to 4 cod quotas
- Necessitates apportionment of the WGOM cod commercial sub-ABC to WGOM North and WGOM South
 - WGOM apportionment of 68:32 (North:South) – based on catch history from a subset of recent years selected to minimize the effects of large differences in between the GOM and GB quotas



Illustrative Examples of Sector Cod Allocation

- Provide a mechanism to isolate impacts from revised cod stock structure from impacts of the 2024 management track assessments
- Examples compare sector cod allocations under different approaches when applied to FY2024 quotas
 - “Status Quo”: 2 PSCs and 2 actual commercial sub-ABCs
 - FW69 method: 2 PSCs and 4 hypothetical commercial sub-ABCs
 - ABCs calculated using WGOM apportionment: 68:32 and alternative splits
- Comparisons should be considered a snapshot in time – results change if applying a different “status quo” quota year (ex. FY2022)
 - Results would also change if proportions of the four stocks shift
 - Sector roster year doesn’t substantially change results
- Also an example that compares base case to FW69 method
 - Base case: 4 new PSCs using existing data to calculate 4 commercial sub-ABCs

See Draft Revised
A25 Appendices –
Appendix III

Development of Sector PSC Approach

- November 2023 –Committee tasked the PDT with conducting analyses to inform development of the Atlantic cod management transition plan
- PDT prepared a “base case” scenario, which uses the same sector PSC qualifying years originally used in Amendment 16 and applies permit landings history from the statistical areas that comprise the four new cod stock units to re-calculate each limited access permit’s PSC for the four new cod stock areas
- Committee decided not to pursue the base case for Phase 1 of the transition plan
 - Based on feedback from the public and industry, this was deemed too large of an allocation change at this time and warranted further consideration in the longer-term Phase 2.
 - Chose to move forward with an approach that maintains the existing two cod PSCs
- At the time the base case was introduced to the Committee, quotas for the new cod stocks were not yet available

Table 1: Illustrative example demonstrating the difference in the amount (mt) of cod that would have been allocated to each sector under the Base Case and the FW 69 method using an apportionment ratio of 68:32 (North:South) for the WGOM stock. *Allocations are calculated using the Fishing Year 2025 quota and 2024 sector rosters. The difference in the total cod allocated is shown as both actual and absolute values.

	Base Case:				FW 69 Method:				Base Case vs FW69:	
	4 PSCs and 4 commercial sub-ABC's				2 PSCs and 4 commercial sub-ABC's				Change in total cod	
Sector Name	EGOM	WGOM	GB	SNE	EGOM	WGOM	GB	SNE	Difference	Absolute Difference
Fixed Gear Sector	0.76	21.14	2.58	0.14	0.33	9.98	8.04	0.46	-5.81	5.81
Maine Coast Community Sector	15.91	21.52	2.04	0.10	7.46	29.31	1.62	0.09	-1.10	1.10
Maine Permit Bank	0.25	1.58	0.19	0.01	0.55	2.14	0.10	0.01	0.77	0.77
Mooncusser Sector	0.48	33.13	1.16	0.30	2.96	20.97	9.21	0.53	-1.40	1.40
NEFS 2	4.90	46.81	8.43	0.51	12.79	55.29	7.41	0.42	15.26	15.26
NEFS 4	3.34	29.25	3.41	0.04	5.29	26.62	6.51	0.37	2.75	2.75
NEFS 5	0.00	0.83	0.18	0.45	0.16	0.95	0.35	0.02	0.01	0.01
NEFS 6	0.00	0.72	0.60	0.00	0.08	0.73	0.40	0.02	-0.08	0.08
NEFS 8	6.79	41.40	31.79	1.00	3.03	37.58	24.21	1.38	-14.78	14.78
NEFS 10	0.12	2.71	0.02	0.02	0.85	3.29	0.13	0.01	1.41	1.41
NEFS 11	1.62	15.64	0.02	0.03	5.38	20.18	0.30	0.02	8.55	8.55
NEFS 12	0.86	6.12	0.15	0.01	1.75	7.01	0.50	0.03	2.16	2.16
NEFS 13	0.71	7.10	14.32	0.68	0.26	9.75	8.05	0.46	-4.30	4.30
NH Permit Bank	0.05	1.51	0.00	0.00	0.54	2.01	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Sustainable Harvest Sector 1	6.08	15.07	6.90	0.13	3.30	17.61	4.97	0.28	-2.02	2.02
Sustainable Harvest Sector 2	3.16	4.17	1.41	0.04	0.80	4.39	1.32	0.08	-2.19	2.19
Sustainable Harvest Sector 3	1.20	0.31	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.39	0.06	0.00	-0.97	0.97
Common Pool	1.06	7.79	2.21	0.83	1.68	8.61	2.21	0.13	0.73	0.73
Sum	47.3	256.8	75.4	4.3	47.3	256.8	75.4	4.3		65.29

Development of Commercial Allocation Approach

- March 2024 – Committee tasked the PDT with developing methods for “prorating commercial sub-ACLs from the four new stocks to the two existing stocks”
- PDT developed two possible methods for consideration:
 - Option 1 – 2 PSCs and quotas for GOM and GB cod
 - Option 2 – 2 PSCs and quotas for EGOM, WGOM, GB, and SNE cod (*PDT recommended*)
- June 2024 - Committee recommended moving forward with Option 2
 - Allocating 4 stocks of cod by using the 2 existing PSCs was considered the best way to “minimize disruptions to the fishery” during the cod transition, while preventing overfishing
- Option 2 approach requires apportionment of WGOM cod
 - PDT identified several options for the basis of the apportionment - historical catch, survey biomass, or a combination
 - PDT discussed but did not further consider basing on historic quotas - given past quotas for the GOM and GB stock areas have not been directly reflective of past fishing activity within the two portions of the WGOM area

Table 2: Illustrative example demonstrating the difference in the amount (mt) of cod that was allocated to sectors for 2 stocks in 2024 to the amount of cod that would have been allocated to each sector in 2024 under the 4-stock scenario developed in FW69 using an apportionment ratio of 68:32 (North:South) for the WGOM stock. *Allocations are calculated using the Fishing Year 2024 quota and 2024 sector rosters. The difference in the total cod allocated is shown as both actual and absolute values.

	FW69 Method: 2 PSC and 4 hypothetical commercial sub-ABC's					“Status Quo” 2 PSC and 2 actual (2024) commercial sub-ABC's			FW69 vs 2024 “Status Quo”: Change in total cod	
Sector Name	EGOM	WGOM	GB	SNE	Total Cod	GOM	GB	Total Cod	Difference	Absolute Difference
Fixed Gear Sector	0.60	18.27	14.72	0.84	34.43	2.06	43.34	45.40	-10.97	10.97
Maine Coast Community Sector	13.66	53.66	2.96	0.17	70.44	46.73	8.71	55.44	15.00	15.00
Maine Permit Bank	1.01	3.92	0.19	0.01	5.12	3.44	0.55	3.99	1.13	1.13
Mooncusser Sector	5.42	38.38	16.86	0.96	61.63	18.54	49.64	68.18	-6.56	6.56
NEFS 2	23.41	101.22	13.56	0.77	138.96	80.09	39.92	120.01	18.95	18.95
NEFS 4	9.68	48.72	11.91	0.68	71.00	33.12	35.07	68.19	2.81	2.81
NEFS 5	0.28	1.74	0.63	0.04	2.69	0.97	1.86	2.84	-0.14	0.14
NEFS 6	0.15	1.34	0.74	0.04	2.27	0.50	2.17	2.67	-0.40	0.40
NEFS 8	5.55	68.80	44.33	2.53	121.20	18.98	130.51	149.49	-28.29	28.29
NEFS 10	1.56	6.01	0.24	0.01	7.83	5.33	0.71	6.04	1.79	1.79
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Sustainable Harvest Sector 3	0.16	0.72	0.11	0.01	1.00	0.56	0.33	0.88	0.12	0.12
Common Pool	3.07	15.76	4.05	0.23	23.11	10.51	11.93	22.44	0.67	0.67
Sum	86.6	470.1	138.0	7.9	702.6	296.2	406.4	702.6		115.15

Development of WGOM Apportionment Approach

- June 2024 – Committee recommended basing WGOM apportionment on recent catch history
- PDT analysis demonstrated that the average percentage split of commercial catches from fishing years 2010-2023 results in an apportionment of 55% North: 45% South
- September 2024 – Committee interested in exploring an alternative apportionment based on catch that accounts for past quota differences, and tasked the PDT with analyzing a 75:25 (North:South) split compared to a 55:45 split
- PDT analysis showed how total cod allocations change by sector for a 55:45 vs 75:25 (North:South) apportionment split
- One of the additional options the PDT provided was a modification of the Committee's motion for 75:25 that bases the apportionment on a different subset of years to account for differences in quotas between GOM and GB. This option resulted in 68:32 (North:South) split
- Committee/Council selected 68:32 (North:South) split as preferred

GAP & RAP Discussion – September 3, 2025

- The GAP reiterated support for incorporating the revised Atlantic cod stock units into the FMP and moving forward with Amendment 25
- Groundfish and Recreational advisors noted concerns previously raised on preferred alternatives (e.g., WGOM cod apportionment and SNE cod recreational measures)

For Today

- Take final action on the repackaged and revised action.
- Discussion and motion to submit the revised action.

Framework Adjustment 72 / Specifications and Management Measures



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For Today

- Receive an update on development of the action.
- Discussion.

Draft Scope

Fishing year (FY) 2026-2028 Specifications and Management Measures, to:

- Revise status determination criteria, as appropriate,
- Set FY2026 total allowable catches (TACs) for US/Canada management units of Eastern GB cod and Eastern GB haddock, and the GB yellowtail flounder stock,
- Set FY2026-FY2027 specifications for GB cod and GB haddock,
- Set FY2026-FY2028 specifications for GB yellowtail flounder, CC/GOM yellowtail flounder, SNE/MA yellowtail flounder, GB winter flounder, GOM winter flounder, SNE/MA winter flounder, white hake, Acadian redfish, ocean pout, and Atlantic wolffish,
- Review sub-component analysis for stocks with revised specifications, Atlantic halibut, and others as time permits and,
- Address recreational measures as part of Atlantic cod management transition for Phase 1

Draft Range of Alternatives

1. Revised Status Determination Criteria

- Updated status determination criteria for GB yellowtail flounder

2. Specifications

- FY2026 TACs for US/Canada management units of EGB cod and EGB haddock, and GB yellowtail flounder stock
- FY2026-FY2027 specifications for GB cod and GB haddock
- FY2026-FY2028 specifications for GB yellowtail flounder, CC/GOM yellowtail flounder, SNE/MA yellowtail flounder, GB winter flounder, GOM winter flounder, SNE/MA winter flounder, white hake, Acadian redfish, ocean pout, and Atlantic wolffish

3. Recreational Fishery Management Measures

- Regional Administrator authority to adjust recreational measures for cod and haddock

Draft Council Milestones

- **June** – initiate the action
- **September** –update on development of draft alternatives
- **December** – receive draft alternatives and take final action on entire action (specifications and other measures)
- Implementation by **May 1, 2026**, NMFS

Draft Timeline

2025	
MAY-JUN	Committee/AP/PDT preliminary discussion
MAY 22	Assessment Oversight Panel meets (fall 2025 assessments)
JUN 24-26	Council initiates framework
JUL-SEP	Committee/AP/PDT develop draft alternatives
SEP 15-18	Peer review – Management Track Assessments for yellowtail flounder, winter flounder, white hake, and redfish
SEP 24-27	Council reviews progress on developing draft alternatives
OCT 1-2	TMGC/SC meets to recommend TACs for US/CA management units of EGB cod and EGB haddock, and GB yellowtail flounder stock
OCT 8	SSC recommends OFLs/ABCs for ocean pout* and wolffish*
OCT 21-22	SSC recommends OFLs/ABCs for GB cod, GB haddock, yellowtail flounder (GB, CC/GOM, SNE/MA), winter flounder (GB, GOM, SNE/MA), white hake, redfish
OCT-NOV	Committee/AP/PDT continue developing draft alternatives and complete impact analysis
DEC	Council receives draft alternatives and takes final action
2026	
JAN	Preliminary submission of framework document to NMFS
FEB	Final submission of framework document to NMFS
MAR	NMFS publishes proposed rule
MAY 1	Target Implementation

*Assessment schedule change – data update only

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- Receive an update on development of the action.
- Discussion.

Extra Slides



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Action 1: Alternative 2

New Status Determination Criteria

Stock	Biomass Target (SSB _{MSY} or proxy)	Minimum Biomass Threshold	Maximum Fishing Mortality Threshold (F _{MSY} or proxy)
Georges Bank Atlantic cod	SSB _{MSY} proxy	$\frac{1}{2}B_{MSY}$	F _{40%} proxy
Eastern Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod	SSB _{MSY} proxy	$\frac{1}{2}B_{MSY}$	F _{40%} proxy
Western Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod	SSB _{MSY} proxy	$\frac{1}{2}B_{MSY}$	F _{40%} proxy
Southern New England Atlantic cod	SSB _{MSY} proxy	$\frac{1}{2}B_{MSY}$	F _{40%} proxy

Action 4: Alternative 1

Option 2 – Trimester TAC Measures

Proposed common pool trimester TAC distributions:

Stock	Trimester 1	Trimester 2	Trimester 3
EGOM Cod	80%	10%	10%
GB Cod	33%	33%	34%
SNE Cod	36%	31%	33%
WGOM Cod	55%	22%	23%

Proposed common pool trimester TAC areas that would close when 90% of trimester TAC reached. Closures would apply to all gear types:

Stock	Statistical Areas
EGOM cod	512
GB cod	522, 561
SNE cod	537, 539, 613
WGOM cod	513, 514, 521

Action 4: Alternative 1

Option 3 - Common Pool Baseline Trip Limits

Proposed common pool baseline trip limits:

EGOM cod	25 lb per DAS/50 lb per trip
WGOM cod	50 lb per DAS/100 lb per trip
GB cod	25 lb per DAS/50 lb per trip
SNE cod	0 lb trip limit/possession prohibition

Stock	Council Actions								
	Emergency Action FY2025	Amendment 25 v2 FY2026 FY2027		Framework 69 FY2025 FY2026 FY2027			Framework 72 FY2026 FY2027 FY2028		
Eastern Gulf of Maine cod	√ ¹	✓	✓						
Western Gulf of Maine cod		✓	✓						
Georges Bank cod		✓					√ ³	√ ³	
Southern New England cod		✓	✓						
Georges Bank haddock	✓			√ ²			√ ³	√ ³	
Gulf of Maine haddock	✓			√ ²	✓	✓			
Georges Bank yellowtail flounder	✓			√ ²	✓		✓	✓	✓
Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic yellowtail flounder							✓	✓	✓
Cape Cod/Gulf of Maine yellowtail flounder							✓	✓	✓
American plaice	✓			√ ²	✓	✓			
Witch flounder	✓			√ ²	✓	✓			
Georges Bank winter flounder							✓	✓	✓
Gulf of Maine winter flounder							✓	✓	✓
Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic winter flounder							✓	✓	✓
Redfish							✓	✓	✓
White hake							✓	✓	✓
Pollock	✓			√ ²	✓	✓			
Northern windowpane flounder									
Southern windowpane flounder									
Ocean pout							√ ⁴	√ ⁴	√ ⁴
Atlantic halibut	✓			√ ²	✓	✓			
Atlantic wolffish							√ ⁴	√ ⁴	√ ⁴

¹ Proposed ABCs in Framework 69 were combined to distribute specifications for GOM and GB cod stocks.

² Specifications will replace those included in the emergency action.

³ Subject to negotiations agreed upon at TMGC in September - October 2025.

⁴ 2025 Management track assessments have been deferred to data updates only.