



## New England Fishery Management Council

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Eric Reid, *Chair* | Thomas A. Nies, *Executive Director*

### MEETING NOTICE SKATE ADVISORY PANEL HYBRID MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, March 22, 2023  
**Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Radisson Airport Hotel  
2081 Post Road  
Warwick, RI 02886  
Phone: (401) 739-3000

#### Agenda:

The Skate Advisory Panel will meet to discuss:

- Recent fishery performance and outlook for 2023;
- Plans for the 2023 management track stock assessment for skates;
- Progress towards developing a white paper regarding thorny skate;
- Review of specification setting process and plans for developing 2024-2025 skate specifications, including setting possession limits;
- Other business.

**Online access:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/446656137088812120>. This meeting will be broadcast online via GoToWebinar. Preregistration is recommended. Use VoIP with a microphone and speakers for audio. A headset is recommended.

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### SKATE COMMITTEE HYBRID MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, March 22, 2023  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Same as above  
**Agenda:** Same as above

If you would like written comments to be considered at these meetings, they must be received at the NEFMC office no later than 8 a.m. on **Monday, March 20, 2023**. Please address them to Council Chair Eric Reid or Executive Director Tom Nies. Email submissions should be sent to [comments@nefmc.org](mailto:comments@nefmc.org).

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TA #: 23-39 (AP) 23-40 (CTE)  
cc: Skate Advisors, PDT and IPs, Council Members  
Notice date: February 24, 2023