



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### MEETING NOTICE Scientific and Statistical Committee Workshop on Dynamic Reference Points

**Date:** Monday, June 1 and Tuesday, June 2, 2026

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** Hampton Inn Boston Seaport District

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**Agenda:** The Scientific and Statistical Committee will convene in a facilitated workshop on dynamic reference points. Reference points in fisheries stock assessments and management are an essential tool for understanding the condition of a resource relative to a desired state. Dynamic reference points, unlike static ones, are allowed to change through time in response to non-stationarity in fish population dynamics. While scientific approaches to define dynamic biological reference points exist, the lack of a full understanding of their appropriate application and practical concerns about this change in key management targets and thresholds has presented challenges to adoption. This workshop aims to develop practical guidelines for integrating dynamic reference points into fisheries stock assessment and management.

**In-person participation:** Scientific and Statistical Committee members and Council staff will attend in-person. Invited NOAA staff will also attend to provide presentations and/or topical expertise.

**Online access:** All plenary sessions will be broadcast via webinar, including the audio portion and presentations displayed on the screen at the workshop. Please note that the webinar is listen-only. No public comment will be accepted.

This meeting will be broadcast online via Zoom. Preregistration is required. Register here: <https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/gwvUOpavRDCC2gAPv-UoVQ>. Use VoIP with a microphone and speakers for audio. A headset is recommended. For the best audio and visual experience, your Zoom desktop application must be updated prior to the meeting.

**Call-in information:** After registering you will be e-mailed webinar information, including a call-in number. Please note that this is not a toll-free number.

If you would like written comments to be considered at this meeting, they must be received at the NEFMC office by **Wednesday, May 27, 2026**. Please address them to Chair Daniel Salerno or Executive Director Cate O'Keefe. Email submissions should be sent to [comments@nefmc.org](mailto:comments@nefmc.org).

*For information about meeting materials and detailed agenda, please consult the Council's website at [www.nefmc.org](http://www.nefmc.org).*

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Notice date: May 7, 2026

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