



New England Fishery Management Council

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AGENDA

**GROUND FISH COMMITTEE
Friday, August 6, 2021**

By Webinar

- 9:00 am Opening remarks and agenda review..... (*Alexander*)
- 9:15 am Framework Adjustment 63/Specifications and Management Measures
(*Cournane/Frede*)
Discuss development of draft action to:
 - Set 2022 total allowable catches for US/Canada management units of Eastern Georges Bank (GB) cod and Eastern GB haddock, and 2022-2023 specifications for the GB yellowtail flounder stock,
 - Set 2022-2024 specifications for GB cod and Gulf of Maine (GOM) cod, and possibly adjust 2022 specifications for GB haddock and GOM haddock,
 - Adjust 2022 specifications for white hake based on the rebuilding plan,
 - Adopt additional measures to promote stock rebuilding, and
 - Develop alternatives to the current default system
- 12:00 pm Lunch.....
- 12:45 am Progress report on 2021 Council priorities for groundfish..... (*Cournane/Frede*)
- 1:45 pm Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team (*Alexander*)
Report on and discuss the Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team schedule for developing measures to reduce the risks to large whales from sink gillnet and other trap/pot fisheries.
- 3:00 pm Other business..... (*Alexander*)
- 3:30 pm Adjourn

Times listed next to agenda items are estimates and subject to change.