



New England Fishery Management Council

June 2026 through December 2026

(Last updated May 12, 2026 and subject to change pending new information)

**June 23-25, 2026
Mystic, CT**

**September 15-17, 2026
Plymouth, MA**

**December 8-10, 2026
Newport, RI**

Updates

Council Priorities		Initial discussion of 2027 Council Priorities	Final action 2027 Council Priorities
Executive Order 14276	Vessel baseline evaluation update; NOAA request on Herring IFM Program	Vessel baseline evaluation draft final report	
NOAA Fisheries	NEFSC Fishery Monitoring and Research Division		

Groundfish

Framework 68 ABC Control Rule	Update on status	Final action on ABC Control Rule (possibly extended)	
Amendment 23 Monitoring System Review	Draft final report		
Framework 74	Initiate Framework	Update on Framework	Final action FW74

Sea Scallops

Scallop Strategic Plan	Update on implementation planning; Projection Methods project update		
Framework 42	Initiate Framework	Update on Framework	Final action FW42
Scallop RSA Program	Recommend RSA Priorities for 2027/2028		

Atlantic Herring

FY2027-2031 Atlantic herring specifications, river herring and shad management measures, and other measures	Initiate action for 2027-2031 specifications, river herring and shad measures, and other measures	Final action on specifications, river herring and shad measures, and other measures	
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Monkfish & Skates

Listening sessions for monkfish/skate fisheries	Overview of input from listening sessions		
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Small-Mesh Multispecies

FY2027-2031 Whiting specifications, and other measures	Initiate action for 2027-2031 specifications and other measures	Update on action	Final action on specifications and other measures
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Habitat

Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)	Recommendation on DHRAs; Update on 2026 EFH Framework; Review GSC evaluation scope	Final action on 2026 EFH Framework; GSC evaluation draft report	
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Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)

		Atlantic Herring OFL/ABC	Scallop, Groundfish, Whiting OFL/ABC
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Climate & Ecosystem

East Coast Coordination Group	Spring meeting and Governance Workshop planning updates		Governance Workshop planning update
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Risk Policy

Risk Policy Implementation Phase	Final Risk Policy Concept; Council weighting for implementation		
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Enforcement Committee

	Report from spring 2026 meeting		Report from fall 2026 meeting
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Inflation Reduction Act

Holistic Strategic Plan	Update on Implementation Plan	Final Holistic Strategic Plan	
Ecosystem Component Species Evaluation	Review framework for EC species determination		