

Marine Stewardship Council Surveillance Announcement

Name of Fishery	Bay of Fundy, Scotian Shelf and Southern Gulf of St Lawrence lobster trap fishery	
Surveillance level and type	Surveillance level 6 (Default surveillance level), on-site audit – See Appendix 2	
Surveillance number	1 st Surveillance	
	2 nd Surveillance	
	3 rd Surveillance	X
	4 th Surveillance	
	Other (expedited etc.)	
Proposed Team Leader	<p>Team Leader, P2 and Traceability expert: Dr. Géraldine Criquet</p> <p>Géraldine meets the Fishery Team Leader Qualification and Competency Criteria outlined in MSC FCR Annex PC.</p> <p>Géraldine was the lead assessor for the full assessment, 1st and 2nd surveillance audit of the Bay of Fundy, Scotian Shelf and Southern Gulf of St Lawrence lobster trap fishery.</p> <p>Géraldine does not have any conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery; and a short biography is provided in Appendix 1.</p>	
Proposed team members	<p>P1 and P3 expert : Pr. Jean-Claude Brêthes</p> <p>Jean-Claude meets the Team Member Qualification and Competency Criteria outlined in MSC FCR Annex PC.</p> <p>Jean-Claude was part of the team for the full assessment, 1st and 2nd surveillance audit of the Bay of Fundy, Scotian Shelf and Southern Gulf of St Lawrence lobster trap fishery.</p> <p>Jean-Claude does not have any conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery; and a short biography is provided in Appendix 1.</p>	
Audit/review time and location	24 th and 25 th May 2018, Location: Moncton, New-Brunswick; and Halifax, Nova-Scotia	
Assessment/review activities	<p>The objectives of the surveillance audit are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To review any changes in the management of the fishery, including regulations, key management or scientific staff or stock evaluation. 2. To evaluate the progress of the fishery against any Conditions of Certification raised during the Main Assessment. 3. To review any developments or changes within the fishery which impact traceability and the ability to segregate MSC from non-MSC products. 4. To review any other significant changes in the fishery. 	

Stakeholder Input into Fishery Surveillance Assessments

MSC certification requires annual surveillance assessments of all certified fisheries. This fishery is now entering the 'annual surveillance' stage of the assessment against the MSC Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing. A key purpose of this stage is to collect information on the fishery and in particular to speak to representatives of the fishery, fishery management and environmental management bodies.

SAI Global wishes to invite organisations or individuals with a direct interest in this fishery to make written comment or provide information relevant to the surveillance assessment process. To assist in contributing relevant information and to ensure that any contributions have maximum impact stakeholders should use the [Stakeholder Input into MSC Fishery assessments](#) template when providing input.

All stakeholder's guidance documents and forms can be access by clicking on the link below:
<https://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders>

We expect to carry out most meetings over the period specified in the "Audit/review time and location" Section of the above Table during which the Assessment Team will be available for direct stakeholder meetings.

If you would like to talk to the assessors, please advise us of your interest by 18th May 2018 giving the following details:

- your name and contact details
- your association with the fishery
- the issues you would like to discuss (in order for us to arrange appropriate representation)

If you not wish to be interviewed you may still submit written information to the Assessment Team by completing the aforementioned [Stakeholder Input into MSC Fishery assessments template](#).

Should you wish to obtain further information on the Marine Stewardship Council, this is available on their web site at <http://www.msc.org>.

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Appendix 1: Surveillance Assessment Team

Dr. Géraldine Criquet, Team Leader and Expert on P2 and Traceability

Géraldine is an MSC approved Fisheries Team Leader for SAI Global - experienced fishery scientist in both Finfish and Shellfish fisheries, and ecosystems considerations. Géraldine holds a PhD in Marine Ecology (École Pratique des Hautes Études, France) which focused on coral reef fisheries management, Marine Protected Areas, fish biology and ecology and ecosystem impacts. She worked 2 years for the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD) at Reunion Island for studying fish target species growth and connectivity between fish populations in the Indian Ocean using otolith analysis. She served as Consultant for FAO on a Mediterranean Fisheries Program (COPEMED) and developed and implemented a monitoring program of catches and fishing effort in the Marine Natural Reserve of Cerbère-Banyuls (France). Géraldine is an experienced full time MSC Lead Assessor with SAI Global, successfully leading MSC certifications and assessment teams and acting as Principle 2 expert for multiple MSC Pre, Full and Surveillance audits including full assessments and surveillance audits of Canadian lobster trap fisheries.

Pr. Jean-Claude Brêthes, Assessment Team Member and Expert on P1 and P3

Jean-Claude is a fisheries biology professional at the Institut des sciences de la mer at the Université du Québec a Rimouski. Previously he has held positions at Board, Chair and Director level for University undergraduate and post graduate fishery science/marine/oceanography courses, scientific advisory councils and committees for various government organizations such as the Canadian Atlantic Fisheries Advisory Council. His key experiences have been focused upon the dynamics and ecology and management of exploited species. In particular, Jean- Claude has conducted various projects on the ecology of snow crab, lobster and cod in locations in Atlantic Canada. He has published and presented several scientific papers in lobster fisheries in key journals and science fora and has also taken part in several MSC and related studies including lobster fisheries in this and other regions.

Appendix 2: Surveillance frequency

Table 4.1: Surveillance level rationale

Year	Surveillance activity	Number of auditors	Rationale
2	On-site audit	2 auditors on-site	Considering that 5 conditions, Pls 1.2.2 Harvest Control Rules and Tools, 2.1.1 Retained Species Outcome, 2.1.2 Retained Species Management, 2.2.3 Bycatch Species Monitoring, and 3.2.4 Research Plan (the last one was closed at 1 st surveillance audit for UoA 1), were raised during the initial full assessment, the CAB proposes to have an on-site audit with 2 auditors on-site to ensure that all information will be collected.

Table 4.2: Timing of surveillance audit

Year	Anniversary date of certificate	Proposed date of surveillance audit	Rationale
3	26 th May 2018	24 th and 25 th May 2018	To synchronise with Gaspésie lobster trap fishery and Prince Edward Island lobster trap fishery 3 rd surveillance audit.

Table 4.3: Fishery Surveillance Program Surveillance Level

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Level 6	On-site surveillance audit	On-site surveillance audit	On-site surveillance audit	On-site surveillance audit & re-certification site visit