

Use of the RBF in a Fishery Assessment Form



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This form details the information required from conformity assessment bodies (CABs) when using the Risk-Based Framework (RBF) in a fishery assessment or re-assessment, which will be published on the MSC website. The criteria by which a component may be identified as data-deficient and thereby eligible for the RBF are given in FCR section 7.7.6 and its associated Table 3.

Please use the unshaded boxes to provide the requested information. Please complete all unshaded fields. Where instructions are included in brackets or italics, please delete and replace with your specific information.

Repeat rows 5 to 7 for each Performance Indicator for which the RBF is to be applied.

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- a. A company header used throughout the report.
- b. A company footer replacing the current MSC footer.
- c. Deletion of pages i-iv.

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1	Name of fishery	CANCALE BAY ATLANTIC SLIPPER LIMPET DREDGE FISHERY
2	CAB	BUREAU VERITAS FRANCE
3	Date that the proposal to use the RBF is submitted to the MSC	28/07/2015
4	Date stakeholder comment period closes on the proposal to use the RBF	31/08/2015
5	PI that RBF is to be applied to	1.1.1
6	Justification for use ¹	<p><i>Stock status reference points are not available, derived either from analytical stock assessment or using empirical approaches.</i></p> <p><i>Indeed, taking into consideration the report of the pre-assessment of Cancale Bay Atlantic Slipper Limpet Dredge Fishery (2012), the time series for monitoring biomass is too short to be used by an assessment model. Instead, it is recommended to use indicators to assess the state of the stock. Available information related to the stock are: the stock biomass and a map tracking between 1996-2004. But biological limits are not described by biological reference points such as Blim or Flim.</i></p> <p><i>Finally, referring to point 7.7.6 RBF, its annex and the criteria of Table 3 of the FCR, the use of RBF for PI 1.1.1 is warranted.</i></p>

¹ Note that it is required that stakeholder comments on the use of the RBF need to be considered (FCR Annex PF 2.1.1.5). The stakeholder comment and CAB response shall be included in the Public Comment Draft Report (FCR 7.15.4.1).