

Lloyd's Register

DFPO Denmark North Sea plaice

MSC Variation Request

1 Marine Stewardship Council variation request

Table 1 – Variation request

1	Date submitted to MSC
	14 th May 2019
2	CAB
	Lloyd's Register
3	Fishery name and certificate number or CoC certificate number
	DFPO Denmark North Sea plaice – F-LRF-0137/0138/0139
4	Lead auditor or program manager
	Louise Allan
5	Request prepared by
	Louise Allan
6	Scheme requirement(s) for which variation requested
	GCR 7.5.6 The CAB shall issue fishery certificates with a maximum validity period of 5 years from the issue date.
7	How many times has a variation for this requirement been accepted for the same assessment of the same fishery?
	Two

Table 2 – Variation justification

1	Proposed variation	
	The certificate will be extended until it is known if the Independent Adjudicator has accepted or rejected the Notice of Objection received by the Joint demersal fisheries in the North Sea and adjacent waters assessment.	
2	Additional time requested	
	Original deadline date	NA
	Modified deadline date requested	NA
	Length of additional time requested	NA
3	Justification	
	<p>The certificate for this fishery expires on the 15th May 2019. The fishery is currently being re-assessed as part of a new combined assessment - Joint demersal fisheries in the North Sea and adjacent waters. This new assessment received a Notice of Objection, with the objection submission period having closed on the 10th May, delaying the potential certification of this assessment and the re-certification of the plaice fishery as part of this assessment. An automatic extension of 6 months is applied in the event the objection is accepted but this variation is needed to cover the time during which the IA decides on the objection.</p> <p>An extension of the existing certificate for the plaice fishery will prevent a lapse in certification until the eventual conclusion of the Joint demersal fisheries in the North Sea and adjacent waters assessment.</p>	
4	If a fishery assessment, implications for assessment	
	N/A	
5	If a fishery assessment, mitigation of the implication for assessment	
	N/A	
6	If a fishery assessment, how many conditions does the fishery have and will their progress be affected (positive or negative)?	
	N/A	
7	What is the status of the current assessment?	
	Post final report objection period – waiting to hear decision on objection.	
8	Further comments	
	None	
9	If applicable, additional information added after MSC's request	



	N/A
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