

Marine Stewardship Council Fishery Announcement

Name of Fishery	Gulf of St Lawrence northern shrimp trawl fishery
Assessment number	Second re-assessment
Reduced re-assessment (Y/N)	No
Statement that the fishery is within scope	The fishery has been through preliminary checks and is confirmed as meeting the scope requirements in CR2.0 FCR 7.4.
Certificate sharing statement	N/A
Estimated Length of Full Assessment & Timeline	Estimated length of assessment is 12 months

Name of proposed Team Leader	<p>Paul Knapman (P3/P2)</p> <p>Paul is an independent consultant based in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Paul began his career in fisheries nearly 30 years ago as a fisheries officer in the UK, responsible for the enforcement of UK and EU fisheries regulations. He then worked with the UK government's nature conservation advisors (1993-2001), as their Fisheries Programme Manager, responsible for establishing and developing an extensive programme of work with fisheries managers, scientists, the fishing industry and ENGOS, researching the effects of fishing and integrating nature conservation requirements into national and European fisheries policy and legislation.</p> <p>Between 2001-2004 he was Head of the largest inshore fisheries management organisation in England, with responsibility for managing an extensive area of inshore fisheries on the North Sea coast. The organisations responsibilities and roles included: stock assessments; setting and ensuring compliance with allowable catches; developing and applying regional fisheries regulations; the development and implementation of fisheries management plans; acting as the lead authority for the largest marine protected area in England.</p> <p>In 2004, Paul moved to Canada and established his own consultancy providing analysis, advisory and developmental work on fisheries management policy in Canada and Europe. He helped draft the management plan for one of Canada's first marine protected areas, undertook an extensive review on IUU fishing in the Baltic Sea and was appointed as rapporteur to the European Commission's Baltic Sea Regional Advisory Council.</p> <p>In 2008, Paul joined Moody Marine as their Americas Regional Manager, with responsibility for managing and developing their regional MSC business. He became General Manager of the business in 2012. Paul has been involved as a lead assessor, team member and technical advisor/reviewer for more than 50 different fisheries in the MSC programme. He returned to fisheries consultancy in 2015.</p> <p>Paul has passed MSC training and has no Conflict of Interest in relation to this fishery. Full CV available upon request</p>
Leadership Experience	<p>Paul has undertaken multiple MSC surveillance and assessments in the past 5 years</p>

Name(s) of proposed assessors	<p>Julian Addison (P1/P2)</p> <p>Dr Julian Addison is an independent fisheries consultant with 30 years' experience of stock assessment and provision of management advice on shellfish fisheries, and a background of scientific research on shellfish biology and population dynamics and inshore fisheries. Until December 2010 he worked at the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science (Cefas) in Lowestoft, England where he was Senior Shellfish Advisor to Government policy makers, which involved working closely with marine managers, legislators and stakeholders, Government Statutory Nature Conservation Organisations and environmental NGOs. He has experienced shellfish management approaches in North America as a visiting scientist at DFO in Halifax, Nova Scotia and at NMFS in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. For four years he was a member of the Scientific Committee and the UK delegation to the International Whaling Commission providing scientific advice to the UK Commissioner. He has worked extensively with ICES and was Chair of the Working Group on the Biology and Life History of Crabs, a member of the Working Group on Crangon Fisheries and Life History and a member of the Steering Group on Ecosystems Function. He has recently completed or is currently undertaking MSC full assessments for the Newfoundland and Labrador snow crab fishery, the Ireland and Northern Ireland bottom grown mussel fisheries, both the Estonia and Faroe Islands Barents Sea cold water prawn fisheries, the Nephrops fishery in the Skagerrak and Kattegat, the Swedish shrimp fishery in the Skagerrak and Norwegian Deep and the Eastern Canada offshore lobster fishery. He has also undertaken various MSC pre-assessments and surveillance audits and has carried out peer reviews of MSC assessments in both Europe and North America of lobster, cold water prawn, razorfish, cockle and scallop fisheries. Other recent work includes a review of the stock assessment model for blue crabs in Chesapeake Bay, USA, and an assessment of three Alaskan crab fisheries under the FAO-based Responsible Fisheries Management scheme.</p> <p>Julian has passed MSC training and has no Conflict of Interest in relation to this fishery. Full CV available upon request</p>
Local Context	<p>English is widely spoken in Canada</p> <p>Both Paul and Julian have had assignments in the region in the last 10 years.</p>
Traceability	Paul has completed the MSC traceability module in the last 4 years.
RBF	Julian has completed the RBF training.
Assessment tree to be used	Default assessment tree v2.0

Site visit	<p>The site visit will take place the week commencing 9th April 2018 in Quebec, Canada.</p> <p>To be completed only if using the default assessment tree. Include a statement inviting participants, indicating the proposed date(s) and location(s). If using the Risk Based Framework (RBF), also include the following text:</p> <p>A key purpose of the site visit is to collect information and to speak to stakeholders with an interest in the fishery. For those parts of the assessment involving the MSC's Risk Based Framework (RBF) see http://www.msc.org/about-us/standards/methodologies/fam/msc-risk-based-framework, Please note we will be using a stakeholder-driven, qualitative analysis during the site visit. To achieve a robust outcome from this consultative approach, we rely heavily on participation of a broad range of stakeholders with a balance of knowledge of the fishery. We encourage any stakeholders with experience or knowledge of the fishery to participate in these meetings.</p> <p>[FCR 7.8.4 & sub-clauses; PF 2.3.2]</p> <p>The MSC provide guidance and templates for stakeholder contribution which can be found here:</p> <p>https://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders</p>
Tree modifications & stakeholder consultation	<p>N/A</p>

We expect to conduct any meetings as required in Quebec, Canada during week commencing 9th April 2018. We may be able to meet with stakeholders as appropriate. If you would like to talk to the assessors, please advise us of your interest at your earliest convenience prior to the audit, giving the following:

- 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).

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Submitted by: Billy Hynes

Date: 9th March 2018 (*Revised with certificate sharing statement 5th April 2018*)

Certificate Sharing Letter



association of
seafood producers

2 April 2018

**Re Certificate Sharing for the Scotian Shelf and Gulf of St. Lawrence
Northern Shrimp Fishery**

To whom it may concern:

With respect to the MSC assessments of the Scotian Shelf and Gulf of St Lawrence Northern Shrimp fisheries we are pleased to confirm other interested parties are welcome to join the certified fisheries covered by our MSC certificate, subject to any limitations within the certificate as well as the following conditions:

- A. The new client will abide by all the conditions/requirements of the certificate as well as the rules in the respective Shrimp Management Plans; and
- B. An equitable cost sharing agreements is entered into between the existing clients and any new client, to cover an equitable sharing of costs associated with obtaining and maintaining the respective MSC certification.

On behalf of the Client group,

Sincerely,



Derek Butler
Executive Director
Managing Client, ASP