

Norway Skagerrak, Kattegat and the Norwegian Deep cold water prawn fishery

Marine Stewardship Council Certification Certification Body: DNV GL - Business Assurance Notification of intent to use default Assessment Tree and Scoring Guideposts

DNV GL's assessment team is proposing to use the default assessment tree contained within the MSC Fishery Certification Requirements version 1.3 issued 14 January 2013, in the independent evaluation of the Norway Skagerrak, Kattegat and the Norwegian Deep cold water prawn fishery.

The scope of full-assessment will cover the Norway Skagerrak, Kattegat and the Norwegian Deep cold water prawn (shrimp, northern shrimp, deep-water shrimp, pink shrimp, northern red shrimp) - Pandalus borealis - fishery in ICES divisions IIIa and IVa East (Skagerrak, Kattegat and the Norwegian Deep) (FAO statistical area 27) using bottom trawl as harvesting method.

DNV GL will be taking comments on the proposed default assessment tree, it is requested that anyone wishing to contribute contacts DNV GL no later than **5 pm GMT**, **on 9 May 2015**. Any comments should be sent to Sigrun Bekkevold at DNV GL using the contact details shown below. Comments should be made as specific as possible to individual performance indicators and scoring guideposts, and their suitability or not within this fishery.

Please use **"MSC template for stakeholder input v1"** for submission of your comments. The template could be downloaded from the link: http://www.msc.org/documents/scheme-documents/forms-and-templates/msc-template-for-stakeholder-input-into-fishery-assessments/view

More information regarding the default assessment tree can be found at (See Annex CB: Default Tree – Normative): http://www.msc.org/documents/scheme-documents/msc-scheme-requirements/msc-scheme-requirements/wiew

Additional guidance could be provided on request from either MSC or DNV GL.

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