



**Global Standard for
Responsible Supply of
Marine Ingredients
Fishery MSC
Verification Report.**

Fishery for Verification	Norway Sandeel in Norwegian EEZ
Species	Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>)
Area	Norwegian EEZ
Stock	1r, 3r, 4
Gear	Pelagic trawl
MSC certification report reference	Assessments Norway sandeel, pout and North Sea sprat - MSC Fisheries
Date	20/4/21
Report code	MSCV6
Assessor	Virginia Polonio

Application details and summary of the verification outcome	
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Name of Certification Body:	Global Trust
Assessor	Virginia Polonio
Period	2021

Table 1. Summary of results

Verification	MSC Report	MarinTrust applicant	Results
1. Scope (Species and Area)	Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 1r, within ICES IVb and IVc Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 3r, within ICES IIIa, IVa and IVb. Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 4, within ICES, IVa and IVb.	Sandeel Norwegian EEZ	The scope of MSC report include the same stock and target species as the MT Verification tool requires, therefore the scopes are equivalent.
2. Stock	Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 1r, within ICES IVb and IVc Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 3r, within ICES IIIa, IVa and IVb. Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 4, within ICES, IVa and IVb.	Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 1r, within ICES IVb and IVc Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 3r, within ICES IIIa, IVa and IVb. Sandeel (Ammodytes marinus) management area 4, within ICES, IVa and IVb.	The stocks are the same, therefore the stocks are equivalent.
3. Vessel list	The fishing fleets or groups of vessels or individual fishing operators pursuing that stock including those client group members initially intended to be covered by the certificate: Fishing operators are Norwegian vessels fishing under quotas issued by Norwegian fisheries management.	Norwegian pelagic trawlers	The pelagic trawls are included in the MSC certificate as midwater trawls

	There are no other eligible fishers.		
Determination			
Notes for On-site Auditor			
<p>For MSC certificate Vessel list can be found it in this link: Assessments Norway sandeel, pout and North Sea sprat - MSC Fisheries</p>			

Note: in the results section it should be noted whether the scope, etc. are equivalent or not between MSC report and applicant. If not equivalent, please provide a short summary as to why.

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS VERIFICATION REPORT

The process for completing the template for MSC Verification is as follows:

1. Compare the scopes of the MSC certification and the MarinTrust applicant fishery. Use Table 2. definitions to complete Results section.
2. Reach a final approval recommendation. After completing Scope table 2., the assessment team will be able to provide a final decision on approval. Results shown in Table 1.

Table 2. Scope definitions according to standard

Definition	MSC Unit of Certification Definition (V1.3)	MSC Unit of Certification Definition (MSC Fisheries Certification Requirements v 2.0)	MARINTRUST Unit of Approval definition	Scope comparison
Target Species	<i>The target species</i>	<i>The target species</i>	<i>Intended species which is sought after and the focus of fishing effort</i>	<i>Pass/Fail</i>
Results		Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>)	Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>)	The species which is the focus of fishing effort is the same. Pass

Stock Definition	<i>The target stock (s)</i>	<i>A description of the biological unit stock exploited by the fishery, as commonly used in management and assessment reports (e.g. North Sea spring spawning herring).</i>	<i>Subpopulation of species which is self-sustaining within a distinct area, as commonly used in management and assessment reports (e.g. North Sea spring spawning herring).</i>	<i>Pass/Fail</i>
Results		<p>Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>) management area 1r, within ICES IVb and IVc</p> <p>Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>) management area 3r, within ICES IIIa, IVa and IVb.</p> <p>Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>) management area 4, within ICES, IVa and IVb.</p>	Sandeel Norwegian EEZ	The scope of MSC report include the Norwegian EEZ where the MT fishery takes place. Pass
Geographic Area	NA	<i>A description of the geographic area within which the fishery is undertaken. This may be only a part or the entire stock unit included under stock name. FAO and ICES definitions used.</i>	<i>Area of the sea designated by the FAO and ICES</i>	<i>Pass/Fail</i>

Results		Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>) management area 1r, within ICES IVb and IVc Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>) management area 3r, within ICES IIIa, IVa and IVb. Sandeel (<i>Ammodytes marinus</i>) management area 4, within ICES, IVa and IVb.	Sandeel Norwegian EEZ	Pass
Harvest Method	<i>The fishing method or gear</i>	<i>FAO defined gear terminology and/or legally defined/recognised in that jurisdiction used to describe fishing gears.</i>	<i>Fishing equipment as defined by the FAO or that designated by the legal authorities</i>	<i>Pass/Fail</i>
Results		Bottom trawls including midwater trawls	Pelagic Trawls	Pelagic trawls are included as midwater trawls on the MSC certificate. Pass
Fleets, individual vessels	<i>Practice (including vessels) pursuing that stock</i>	<i>Named vessels on a client list. Named fishing organisations/entities that have access to the certificate.</i>	<i>Named vessels on a client list. Named fishing organisations/entities that have access to the certificate, through the factory.</i>	<i>Pass/Fail</i>

Results		<p>The fishing fleets or groups of vessels or individual fishing operators pursuing that stock including those client group members initially intended to be covered by the certificate: Fishing operators are Norwegian vessels fishing under quotas issued by Norwegian fisheries management. There are no other eligible fishers.</p>	Pelagic trawlers	<p>MT client should specify the fleet that is cluded in its certificate. MSC vessels list is available at Assessments Norway sandeel, pout and North Sea sprat - MSC Fisheries. Pass</p>
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