

MarinTrust Standard V2

By-product Fishery Assessment Report Template

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Table 1 Application details and summary of the assessment outcome

	Species:	Dover sole (Solea solea)		
	Geographical area: FAO Area 27 North East Atlantic			
Fishery Under Assessment	Country of origin of the product:	France		
	Stock:	Sole in Divisions 7.f and 7.g (Bristol Channel, Celtic Sea)		
Date	8 November 2021			
Report Code	BP 233			
Assessor	Geraldine Criquet			
Country of origin of the product - PASS	France			
Country of origin of the product - FAIL	NA			

Application details and summary of the assessment outcome					
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Key Contact:		Title:			
Certification Body Details					
Name of Certification	Body:	Global Trust Certification			
Assessor	Peer Reviewer	Assessment Days	Initial/Surveillance/ Re-approval		
Geraldine Criquet Virginia Polonic		0.5	Surveillance 2		
Assessment Period	To November 2021				

Scope Details				
Main Species	Dover sole (Solea solea)			
Stock	Sole in Divisions 7.f and 7.g (Bristol Channel, Celtic Sea)			
Fishery Location	FAO Area 27 Northeast Atlantic Ocean			
Management Authority	European Union / France Direction des Pêches Maritimes et de			
(Country/ State)	l'Aquaculture			
Gear Type(s)	Trawl			
Peer Review Evaluation	Agree with assessor's determination			
Recommendation	APPROVED			



Table 2. Assessment Determination

Assessment Determination

If any species is categorised as Endangered or Critically Endangered on IUCN's Red List, or if it appears in the CITES appendices, it cannot be approved for use as Marin Trust raw material. Dover sole (*Solea solea*) is neither listed as Endangered or Critically Endangered on IUCN's Red List, nor listed in CITES appendices; therefore, Dover sole is eligible for approval for use as Marin Trust by-product raw material.

The Bristol Channel & Celtic Sea Dover sole stock is managed through the EU Multiannual plan (MAP) for the Western Waters adopted in 2019 and reference points are defined for the stock, therefore it was assessed under category C.

Fishery removals are included in the stock assessment process, it PASSES Clause C1.1. The stock is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point, it PASSES Clause C1.2.

Therefore, Dover sole in ICES in Divisions 7.f and 7.g (Bristol Channel and Celtic Sea) is **APPROVED** for the production of fishmeal and fish oil under the current Marin Trust v 2.0 by-products.

Fishery Assessment Peer Review Comments

The stock has been identified correctly as there is species specific management plan for this stock.

Fisheries removals are considered in the stock assessment and biomass is below limits. Therefore, the stock passes both clauses in category C and it is recommended for approval.

Notes for On-site Auditor		



Species Categorisation

NB: If any species is categorised as Endangered or Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red List, or if it appears in CITES Appendix 1, it **cannot** be approved for use as an MARINTRUST raw material.

IUCN Redlist Category

By-product material from a species listed by IUCN (the International Union for Conservation of Nature) under the Red List for the following categories shall immediately fail the assessment;

- EXTINCT (E) AND EXTINCT IN THE WILD (EW)
- CRITICALLY ENDANGERED (CR) facing an extremely high risk of extinction in the wild.
- ENDANGERED (EN) facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild.

By-product material may be used from the following categories provided that all clauses in the MarinTrust standard are passed.

- VULNERABLE (VU) facing a high risk of extinction in the wild.
- NEAR THREATENED (NT) does not qualify for above now, but is close or is likely to qualify for, a threatened category in the near future.
- LEAST CONCERN (LC) Widespread and abundant.
- DATA DEFICIENT (DD) and NOT EVALUATED (NE)

Table 3 Species Categorisation Table

Common name	Latin name	Stock	Management	Category	IUCN Red List Category ¹	CITES Appendix 1 ²
Dover sole	Solea solea	Sole in ICES in Divisions 7.f and 7.g (Bristol Channel, Celtic Sea)		С	LC	No

¹ https://www.iucnredlist.org/

² https://cites.org/eng/app/appendices.php

CATEGORY C SPECIES

In a whole fish assessment, Category C species are those which make up less than 5% of landings, but which are subject to a species-specific management regime. In most cases this will be because they are a commercial target in a fishery other than the one under assessment.

Clause C1 should be completed for **each** Category C species. If there are no Category C species in the fishery under assessment, this section can be deleted. Where a species fails this Clause, it should be assessed as a Category D species instead.

Spe	Species Name Dover sole (Solea solea)				
C1	Category C Stock Status - Minimum Requirements				
CI	C1.1 Fishery removals of the species in the fishery under assessment are included in the stock Yes				
assessment process, OR are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.					
C1.2 The species is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the			Yes		
	limit reference point (or proxy), OR removals by the fishery under assessment are				
	considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.				
		Clause outcome	PASS		

C1.1 Fishery removals of the species in the fishery under assessment are included in the stock assessment process, OR are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.

The stock assessment type is an age-based analytical assessment and input data include commercial landings-at-age data. Catches are presented in Figure 1.

Therefore, fishery removals of the stock, including from the fishery under assessment, are included in the stock assessment process, **it PASSES Clause C1.1**

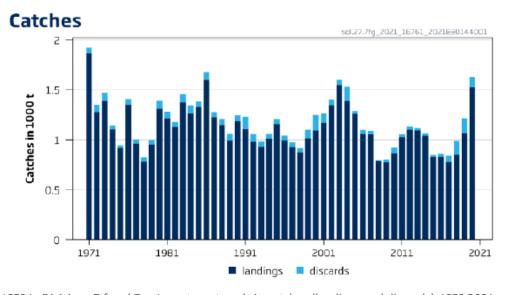


Figure 1. Sole in ICES in Divisions 7.f and 7.g. Long-term trends in catches (landings and discards). ICES 2021

C1.2 The species is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point (or proxy), OR removals by the fishery under assessment are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.

The spawning-stock size is above MSY B_{trigger}, B_{pa} and B_{lim} (Figure 2).

Therefore, the stock is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point, **C1.2** is met.



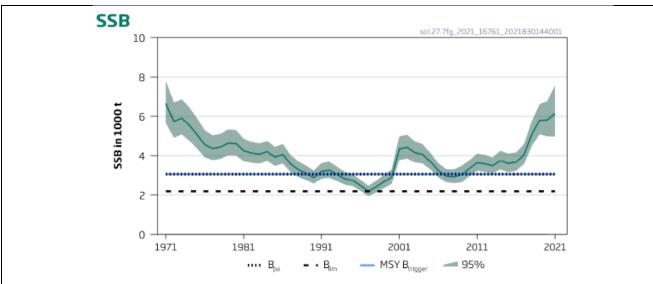


Figure 2. Sole in ICES in Divisions 7.f and 7.g. Summary of the stock assessment. Spawning stock biomass. ICES 2021

References

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Links		
MARINTRUST Standard clause	1.3.2.2	
FAO CCRF	7.5.3	
GSSI	D.3.04, D5.01	