



## MarinTrust Standard V2

# By-product Fishery Assessment Report Template

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**Table 1 Application details and summary of the assessment outcome**

Fishery Under Assessment	Species:	Pacific chub mackerel ( <i>Scomber japonicus</i> )
	Geographical area:	FAO Area 87 Pacific Southeast
	Country of origin of the product:	Ecuador
	Stock:	Pacific Southeast
Date	31/03/2021	
Report Code	BP41	
Assessor	Virginia Polonio	
Country of origin of the product - PASS	Ecuador	
Country of origin of the product - FAIL	NA	

Application details and summary of the assessment outcome			
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Certification Body Details			
Name of Certification Body:		Global Trust Certification	
Assessor	Peer Reviewer	Assessment Days	Initial/Surveillance/ Re-approval
Virginia Polonio	Geraldine Criquet	0.5	Re-Approval
Assessment Period	March 2021		

Scope Details	
Main Species	Pacific chub mackerel ( <i>Scomber japonicus</i> )
Stock	Pacific Southeast
Fishery Location	FAO Area 87 Pacific Southeast
Management Authority (Country/ State)	Instituto Nacional de Pesca (INP) Ecuador
Gear Type(s)	Purse seine, hand-line, pelagic trawls
Outcome of Assessment	
Peer Review Evaluation	Agree with assessor's determination
Recommendation	<b>APPROVED</b>

**Table 2. Assessment Determination**

Assessment Determination
<p>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 MARINTRUST raw material Pacific chub mackerel (<i>Scomber japonicus</i>) do not appear as Endangered or Critically Endangered on IUCN’s Red List, nor do they appear in CITES appendices; therefore, Pacific chub mackerel (<i>Scomber japonicus</i>) in FAO Area 87 is eligible for approval for use as MARINTRUST by-product raw material.</p> <p>The species is not subject to a specific research and management regime. Therefore it is categorised as Category D. The lack of scientific information on the stock status in the assessment area results in the use of the risk-assessment style approach. The fishery was assessed using the risk-based Productivity, Susceptibility Analysis (PSA) as per Marin Trust v 2.0 procedures for Category D species.</p> <p>The species has passed this risk-based assessment therefore, Pacific chub mackerel (<i>Scomber japonicus</i>) in FAO Area 87 is <b>APPROVED</b> in the assessment area by the assessors for the production of fishmeal and fish oil under the current MARIN TRUST v 2.0 by-products standard.</p>
Fishery Assessment Peer Review Comments
<p>The assessor correctly classified Southeast Pacific chub mackerel as category D, reference points are not defined to assess the stock status relative to.</p> <p>A PSA was performed. With an average productivity score of 1.43 and an average susceptibility score of 2.25, the stock passes Table D3.</p> <p>Therefore, the peer reviewer agrees with the assessor’s determination that the fishery passes Table D3 and Southeast Pacific chub mackerel is thus approved.</p>
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 Red list 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 <sup>1</sup>	CITES Appendix 1 <sup>2</sup>
Pacific chub mackerel	<i>Scomber japonicus</i>	FAO Area 87 Pacific Southeast	Instituto Nacional de Pesca (INP) Ecuador	D	LC	No

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.iucnredlist.org/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://cites.org/eng/app/appendices.php>

## CATEGORY D SPECIES

Category D species are those which make up less than 5% of landings and are not subject to a species-specific management regime. In the case of mixed trawl fisheries, Category D species may make up the majority of landings. The comparative lack of scientific information on the status of the population of the species means that a risk-assessment style approach must be taken.

<b>D1</b>	<b>Species Name</b>	Pacific chub mackerel, <i>Scomber japonicus</i>	
	<b>Productivity Attribute</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Score</b>
	Average age at maturity (years)	2	2
	Average maximum age (years)	7.9	1
	Fecundity (eggs/spawning)	86,616-213,422	1
	Average maximum size (cm)	30	1
	Average size at maturity (cm)	22	1
	Reproductive strategy	Non-guarders: open water/substratum egg scatterers	1
	Mean trophic level	3.4	3
	<b>Average Productivity Score</b>		<b>1.43</b>
	<b>Susceptibility Attribute</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Score</b>
	Overlap of adult species range with fishery	>50% of stock occurs in area fished *	3
	Distribution	Not scored	Not scored
	Habitat	Not scored	Not scored
	Depth range	50-200 m	1
	Selectivity	Up to 4 m	3
	Post-capture mortality	Short tows	2
	<b>Average Susceptibility Score</b>		<b>2.25</b>
	<b>PSA Risk Rating (From Table D3)</b>		<b>PASS</b>
	<b>Compliance rating</b>		<b>PASS</b>

**References**



**\*Figure 1.** Distribution maps for distribution maps for *Scomber japonicus* (Chub mackerel), with modelled year 2050 native range map based on IPCC RCP8.5 emissions scenario. [www.aquamaps.org](http://www.aquamaps.org), version 10/2019.

Scarponi, P., G. Coro, and P. Pagano. A collection of Aquamaps native layers in NetCDF format. Data in brief 17 (2018): 292-296

*Scomber japonicus*, Chub mackerel: fisheries, aquaculture, gamefish, bait ([fishbase.in](http://fishbase.in))

*Standard clauses 1.3.2.2*

Table D2 - Productivity / Susceptibility attributes and scores.

Productivity attributes	Low productivity/ High risk	Medium productivity/ Medium risk	High productivity/ Low risk
	Score 3	Score 2	Score 1
Average age at maturity (years)	>4	2 to 4	<2
Average maximum age (years)	>30	10 to 30	<10
Fecundity (eggs/spawning)	<1 000	1 000 to 10 000	>10 000
Average maximum size (cm)	>150	60 to 150	<60
Average size at maturity (cm)	>150	30 to 150	<30
Reproductive strategy	Live bearer, mouth brooder or significant parental investment	Demersal spawner "berried"	Broadcast spawner
Mean trophic level	>3.25	2.5–3.25	<2.5

Susceptibility attributes		High susceptibility/ High risk	Medium susceptibility/ Medium risk	Low susceptibility/ Low risk
		Score 3	Score 2	Score 1
Availability	1) Overlap of adult species range with fishery	>50% of stock occurs in the area fished	Between 25% and 50% of the stock occurs in the area fished	<25% of stock occurs in the area fished
	2) Distribution	Only in the country/ fishery	Limited range in the region	Throughout region/ global distribution
Encounterability	1) Habitat	Habitat preference of species make it highly likely to encounter trawl gear (e.g. demersal, muddy/sandy bottom)	Habitat preference of species make it moderately likely to encounter trawl gear (e.g. rocky bottom/reefs)	Depth or distribution of species make it unlikely to encounter trawl gear (e.g. epi-pelagic or meso-pelagic)
	2) Depth range	High overlap with trawl fishing gear (20 to 60 m depth)	Medium overlap with trawl fishing gear (10 to 20 m depth)	Low overlap with trawl fishing gear (0 to 10 m, >70 m depth)
Selectivity		Species >2 times mesh size or up to 4 m length	Species 1 to 2 times mesh size or 4 to 5 m length	Species <mesh size or >5 m length
Post capture mortality		Most dead or retained Trawl tow >3 hours	Alive after net hauled Trawl tow 0.5 to 3 hours	Released alive Trawl tow <0.5 hours

**Note:** Availability 2 is only used when there is no information for Availability 1; the most conservative score between Encounterability 1 and 2 is used.

D3		Average Susceptibility Score		
		1 - 1.75	1.76 - 2.24	2.25 - 3
Average Productivity Score	1 - 1.75	PASS	PASS	PASS
	1.76 - 2.24	PASS	PASS	TABLE D4
	2.25 - 3	PASS	TABLE D4	TABLE D4

D4		Species Name	
<b>Impacts On Species Categorised as Vulnerable by D1-D3 - Minimum Requirements</b>			
D4.1	The potential impacts of the fishery on this species are considered during the management process, and reasonable measures are taken to minimise these impacts.		
D4.2	There is no substantial evidence that the fishery has a significant negative impact on the species.		
			<b>Outcome:</b>
<b>Evidence</b>			
D4.1: The potential impacts of the fishery on this species are considered during the management process, and reasonable measures are taken to minimise these impacts.			
D4.2 There is no substantial evidence that the fishery has a significant negative impact on the species.			
<b>References</b>			
<b>Links</b>			
MARINTRUST Standard clause		1.3.2.2, 4.1.4	
FAO CCRF		7.5.1	
GSSI		D.5.01	