



MarinTrust Standard V2

MSC Verification Report

*Capelin (Mallotus villosus) Subareas 5
and 14 and Division 2.a west of 5°W
(Iceland and Faroes grounds, East
Greenland, Jan Mayen area)*

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Table 1 Application details and summary of the assessment outcome

Fishery For Verification	Species:	Capelin (<i>Mallotus villosus</i>)
	Geographical area:	Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area;
	Stock:	Subareas 5 and 14 and Division 2.a west of 5°W (Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area)
	Gear:	Purse seine, pelagic trawl
MSC Certification Report Reference	ISF Iceland capelin	
Date	October 2022	
Report Code	MSCV 18	
Assessor	Léa Lebechnech	

Application details and summary of the assessment outcome		
Company Name(s): Pelagia		
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Certification Body Details		
Name of Certification Body:		Global Trust Certification
Assessor	Léa Lebechnech	
Verification Period	To October 2022	

Table 2 Summary of Results

Verification	MSC Report	MarinTrust applicant	Results
Scope (Species and Area)	Capelin (<i>Mallotus villosus</i>), the Iceland and Faroes waters, East Greenland and Jan Mayen areas, FAO Fishing Area 27 Atlantic Northeast	Capelin (<i>Mallotus villosus</i>), Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area	Scope matches
Stock	Subareas 5 and 14 and Division 2.a west of 5°W (Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area)	Subareas 5 and 14 and Division 2.a west of 5°W (Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area)	Scope matches
Vessel list	<p>UoA 1: Pelagic trawl UA 2: Purse Seine. The client group is Icelandic Sustainable Fisheries ehf (ISF). Other eligible fishers, outside the client group, are 1) all Icelandic vessels that carry valid permits issued by the Icelandic Directorate of Fisheries to target capelin in Icelandic waters, Faroes waters, East Greenland and Jan Mayen area; 2) Faroese, Greenlandic and Norwegian vessels that are authorised to fish for capelin in Icelandic waters through bilateral agreements with Iceland: Certificate sharing agreements have recently been agreed with Sustainable Fisheries Greenland (SFG) for capelin caught by authorised Greenlandic vessels in the Icelandic EEZ using pelagic trawl and purse seine (UoA 1 & UoA 2) and with Norges Fiskarlag (Norwegian Fishermen's Association) for capelin caught by authorised Norwegian vessels in the Icelandic EEZ using purse seine only (UoA 2).</p>	Norwegian and Icelandic purse seine and pelagic trawl fleet	Scope matches
Determination			
The applicant is sourcing from an MSC fishery and the scope of the clients application with regard this species/stock and the MSC UoA matches. Accordingly, the stock is automatically APPROVED in line with section 1.2 of the MarinTrust Standard v2.0.			
Notes for On-site Auditor			
NA			

Assessor Guidance

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 3** definitions to complete Results section.
2. Reach a final approval recommendation. After completing Scope **TABLE 3** the assessment team will be able to provide a final decision on approval. Results shown in **TABLE 2**.

Table 3 Scope definitions according to standards

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	The target species	The target species	Intended species which is sought after and the focus of fishing effort	
Results	NA	Capelin (<i>Mallotus villosus</i>)	Capelin (<i>Mallotus villosus</i>)	Scope matches
Stock Definition	The target stock (s)	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)	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)	
Results	NA	Subareas 5 and 14 and Division 2.a west of 5°W (Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area)	Subareas 5 and 14 and Division 2.a west of 5°W (Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area)	Scope matches
Geographic Area		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	Area of the sea designated by the FAO and ICES	
Results		Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area; FAO Area 27 Atlantic Northeast	Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area	Scope matches
Harvest Method	The fishing method or gear	FAO defined gear terminology and/or legally defined/recognised in that jurisdiction used to describe fishing gears	Fishing equipment as defined by the FAO or that designated by the legal authorities	

Results		UoA 1: Pelagic trawl UA 2: Purse Seine	Purse seine Pelagic trawl	Scope matches
Fleets, individual vessels	Practice (including vessels) pursuing that stock	Named vessels on a client list. Named fishing organisations/entities that have access to the certificate	Named vessels on a client list. Named fishing organisations/ entities that have access to the certificate, through the factory	
Results		<p>1) Icelandic vessels with valid permits to fish for capelin within the Icelandic EEZ. Available upon request at : http://www.fiskistofa.is</p> <p>2) Faroese, Greenlandic and Norwegian vessels that are authorised to fish for capelin in Icelandic waters through bilateral agreements with Iceland: Certificate sharing agreements have recently been agreed with SFG for capelin caught by authorised Greenlandic vessels in the Icelandic EEZ using pelagic trawl and purse seine (UoA 1 & UoA 2) and with Norges Fiskarlag for capelin caught by authorised Norwegian vessels in the Icelandic EEZ using purse seine only (UoA 2). Available at : http://www.icelandsustainable.is/isf-certificate-sharers.html</p>	Icelandic and Norwegian purse seine and pelagic trawl fleet	Scope matches