



MarinTrust Standard V2

MSC Verification Report

Sprat (sprattus sprattus), Baltic Sea

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Table 1 Application details and summary of the assessment outcome

Fishery For Verification	Species:	Sprat (<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>)
	Geographical area:	ICES subdivisions 25-32
	Stock:	Baltic Sea
	Gear:	Pelagic trawl
MSC Certification Report Reference	Finland Baltic herring and sprat	
Date	February 2022	
Report Code	MSCV 9	
Assessor	Conor Donnelly	

Application details and summary of the assessment outcome		
Company Name(s): Eesti Kalatootjate Keskühistu		
Country: Estonia		
Email address:		Applicant Code:
Certification Body Details		
Name of Certification Body:		Global Trust Certification
Assessor	Conor Donnelly	
Verification Period	To February 2022	

Table 2 Summary of Results

Verification	MSC Report	MarinTrust applicant	Results
Scope (Species and Area)	Sprat (<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>); ICES Subdivisions 22-32.	Sprat (<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>); ICES subdivisions 25-32	Scope matches
Stock	Baltic Sea (ICES Subdivisions 22-32)	Baltic Sea	Scope matches
Vessel list	Vessel list available at https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/finland-baltic-herring-sprat/@@assessments	Eesti Kalapüügi-ühistu, Eesti Kutseliste Kalurite Ühistu, Eesti Traalpüügi-ühistu	Scope doesn't match. Vessels referred to by applicant aren't on the MSC list
Determination			
The applicant is sourcing from MSC fisheries and the scope of the client's application with regard this species/stock and the MSC UoA does not match. Accordingly, the stock is NOT 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	Sprat (<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>)	Sprat (<i>Sprattus sprattus</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	Baltic Sea (ICES Subdivisions 22-32)	Baltic Sea	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		ICES Subdivisions 22-32	ICES subdivisions 25-32	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		Pelagic trawl	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		Vessel list available at https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/finland-baltic-herring-sprat/@assessments	Eesti Kalapüügi-ühistu, Eesti Kutseliste Kalurite Ühistu, Eesti Traalpüügi-ühistu	Scope doesn't match. None of the vessels referred to by applicant are on MSC list