

DFPO Denmark North Sea plaice

MSC status

Certified as sustainable in March 2011.

Summary

Species: European plaice (*Pleuronectes platessa*)

Location: North Sea (ICES area IV)

Fishing methods: Set net, Danish seine and demersal trawl

Vessels: 150 set net, 30 Danish Seine & 100 trawl

Number of fisheries: 1

The fishery: Unit of certification

The certified DFPO Denmark North Sea plaice fishery is defined as:

Species	European plaice (<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>)
Geographical range of fishing operations	North Sea – ICES Subarea IV – Including territorial waters of the EU and Norway.
Method of capture	Setnets (trammel net & gill net), Danish seine & demersal trawl
Stock	North Sea Plaice in ICES Subarea IV
Management	North Sea plaice fisheries are managed by the EU Member States through the EU Council of ministers using a TAC system. ICES provide the scientific advice for commercially exploited fish stocks in the North Sea. At sea and landings inspections carried out by EU national enforcement agencies and Norwegian coastguard.
Client group	DFPO member vessels fishing for North Sea plaice.

<http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/north-east-atlantic/Denmark-North-Sea-plaice>