

Cooperative Fishery Organisation (CVO) North Sea plaice and sole

MSC status

Certified as sustainable in December 2012.

Summary

Species: Plaice (*Pleuronectes platessa*) and Dover Sole (*Solea solea*).

Location: The North Sea in FAO statistical area 27, sub areas ICES IV a,b and c.

Fishing methods: Various trawl methods.

Vessels: 250 maximum

Number of fisheries: 2

The fishery: Unit of certification

The certified **Cooperative Fishery Organisation (CVO) North Sea plaice and sole** fishery is defined:

Species	Plaice (English) Schol (Dutch) (<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>) Dover Sole (English) Tong (Dutch) (<i>Solea solea</i>)
Geographical range of fishing operations	North Sea (ICES IVa, b & c) within North East Atlantic (FAO 27)
Method of capture	Various trawl methods as defined in each UoC
Stock	North East Atlantic
Management	EU CFP. Management operated under a long term management plan for North Sea Plaice and sole in force from 2008. National management measures (Dutch, Danish, UK, Norwegian), various Producer Organisations, CVO management plan.
Client group	Cooperatieve Visserij Organisatie (CVO) member vessels.

<http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/north-east-atlantic/cooperative-fishery-organisation-cvo-north-sea-plaice-and-sole>