



SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL - 2025

Denmark (on behalf of Greenland) Coastal State Request for Scientific Advice – 2026

Denmark (on behalf of Greenland) hereby request scientific advice on management in 2026 of certain stocks in NAFO Subareas 0 and 1. Denmark (on behalf of Greenland) requests the Scientific Council for advice on the following species:

1. Golden Redfish and Demersal Deep-Sea Redfish

Advice on Golden redfish (*Sebastes marinus*) and demersal deep-sea redfish (*Sebastes mentella*) in Subarea 1 was in June 2023 given for 2024-2026. The Scientific Council is requested to continue its monitoring of the above stocks and provide updated advice as appropriate in the event of significant changes in stock levels.

2. Atlantic Wolffish and Spotted Wolffish

Advice on Atlantic Wolffish (*Anarhichas lupus*) and Spotted Wolffish (*Anarhichas minor*) in Subarea 1 was in June 2023 given for 2024-2026. The Scientific Council is requested to continue its monitoring of the above stocks and provide updated advice as appropriate in the event of significant changes in stock levels.

3. Greenland Halibut, Offshore

Advice on Greenland Halibut, Offshore in Subareas 0 and 1 was given in 2024 for 2025 and 2026. Denmark (on behalf of Greenland) request the Scientific Council to provide catch advice according to the NAFO Precautionary Approach Framework (PAF). The advice should also include a range of risk-based catch options for 2026-2027. Specifically, Denmark (on behalf of Greenland) recommends that for each option a clear technical basis is provided and that a table with defined reference points is provided in the advice. Catch options that are in accordance with the NAFO PAF should be highlighted.

The advice shall remain a two-year advice, but Denmark (on behalf of Greenland) recommends the advice cycle to start at even years (starting with the 2026-2027 advice) to follow a request by the Scientific Council with the purpose of better distributing the workload of the Scientific Council.

4. Greenland Halibut, Inshore, West Greenland

Advice on the inshore stocks of Greenland Halibut in Subarea 1 was given in 2024 for 2025-2026. Denmark (on Behalf of Greenland) requests the Scientific Council to continue its monitoring of the above stocks and provide updated advice in the event of significant changes in stock levels.

5. Northern Shrimp, West Greenland

Subject to the concurrence of Canada as regards to Subareas 0 and 1, Denmark (on behalf of Greenland) requests the Scientific Council before December 2025 to provide advice on the scientific basis for management of Northern Shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) in Subareas 0 and 1 in 2026 in line with Greenland's stated management objective of maintaining a mortality risk of no more than 35% in the first year prediction and to provide a catch option table ranging with 5,000 t increments. Future catch options should be provided for as many years as data allows for.

6. Northern Shrimp, East Greenland

Furthermore, the Scientific Council is in cooperation with ICES requested to provide advice on the scientific basis for management of Northern Shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) in Denmark Strait and adjacent waters east of southern Greenland in 2026 and for as many years ahead as data allows for.