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Minimum Standard for Catch Statistics Adopted by the Council at its Tenth Annual Meeting 7-11 June 1993, Edinburgh, UK

The Atlantic Salmon Catch Statistics of the Parties to the NASCO Convention should:

- include catches from all components of the salmon fisheries where these catches are retained
- include returns to ranching units
- include both the number and weight of salmon
- weight should be whole round weight or be converted to whole round weight equivalent using appropriate conversion factors where fish are landed gutted or gutted and glazed
- be differentiated into sea-age class or alternatively into grilse and multi-sea-winter salmon
- differentiate, wherever possible, between wild fish and fish which have escaped from fish farms
- include salmon caught in non-salmon gear where retention of fish caught in this way is legal
- information on fishing effort should, wherever possible, be obtained for all components of the salmon fisheries.

NOTE:

The Parties to the NASCO Convention also wish to:

- ~ encourage studies to assess non-catch fishing mortality in both salmon directed and non-directed gears in particular unreported catches
- ~ encourage measures to reduce the level of non-catch fishing mortality in particular unreported catches