



Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Advisory Panel Meeting
Wednesday, June 21, 2023, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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MEETING OBJECTIVES

Advisors will discuss the summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass commercial and recreational fisheries and will work with MAFMC and ASMFC staff to develop Fishery Performance Reports summarizing their observations and recommendations. These reports will be considered by the Scientific and Statistical Committee, the Monitoring Committee, the MAFMC, and ASMFC when setting 2024-2025 catch and landings limits for summer flounder and scup, setting 2024 catch and landings limits for black sea bass, and reviewing commercial management measures for all three species. Recreational bag, size, and season limits for 2024 will be discussed during a separate Advisory Panel meeting in the fall of 2023.

AGENDA

Times are approximate and may change based on pace of discussion.

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| 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm | Summer flounder <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review fishery information document• Write fishery performance report |
| 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm | Scup <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review fishery information document• Write fishery performance report |
| 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm | Black sea bass <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review fishery information document• Write fishery performance report |
| 5:00 pm | Adjourn |

Discussion Questions

1. What factors influenced your catch of summer flounder, scup, and/or black sea bass in recent years?
 - a. Market or economic issues? (e.g., fish prices, fuel prices, overall economy)
 - b. Environmental or ecological issues? (e.g., temperature, weather, abundance of other species)
 - c. Management or regulatory issues? (e.g., management-induced effort shifts, regulatory discards, quotas, or gear restrictions)
 - d. Other fishing behavior or operational issues? (e.g., participation in other fisheries)
 - e. Other factors?
2. What other issues or concerns do you want to highlight?
3. What research recommendations do you have for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass?
4. What recommendations do you have for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass regulations in 2024-2025?