



Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council Scientific and Statistical Committee Meeting

March 9, 2021

Terms of Reference

For Blueline Tilefish, the SSC will provide a written report that identifies the following for the 2022-2024 fishing years:

- 1) The level of catch (in weight) associated with the ABC for each requested fishing year. If appropriate, specify interim metrics that can be examined to determine if multi-year specifications need reconsideration prior to their expiration;
- 2) The most significant sources of scientific uncertainty associated with determination of the ABC;
- 3) Research or monitoring recommendations that would reduce the scientific uncertainty in the ABC recommendation and/or improve an assessment;
- 4) The materials considered by the SSC in reaching its recommendations;
- 5) A conclusion that the recommendations provided by the SSC are based on scientific information the SSC believes meets the applicable National Standard guidelines for best scientific information available.