

**Recommendation on Conservation and Management Measures  
for Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) Herring  
in the NEAFC Regulatory Area for 2026**

The Commission hereby adopts the following Recommendation pursuant to Article 5 of the Convention:

1. NEAFC notes that based on the agreed long-term management strategy, total catches of the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock in 2026 should be no more than 533 914 tonnes, as advised by ICES.
2. Each Contracting Party shall establish conservation and management measures for its Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring fishery in the NEAFC Regulatory Area for 2026.
3. Conservation and management measures shall include catch limits.
4. Only vessels entitled to fly the flag of a NEAFC Contracting Party, having been authorised by its flag State to fish for Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring in the NEAFC Regulatory Area, may take part in the fishery.
5. Each Contracting Party shall notify the conservation and management measures it has taken to the Secretary by 1 March 2026. The Secretary shall without delay notify these measures to the other Contracting Parties.
6. These conservation and management measures shall be without prejudice to any future conservation and management measures to be taken for Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring in the North-East Atlantic.