



Notice to Fish Harvesters

2022 – TOTAL ALLOWABLE CATCH FOR THE HERRING FALL FISHERY OF THE SOUTHERN GULF OF ST. LAWRENCE (fall spawners component)

MONCTON, NB – August 19, 2022 – Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) announces the Total Allowable Catch (TAC) for the herring fall fishery (fall spawners component) of the southern Gulf of St. Lawrence for Herring Fishing Areas (HFAs) 16A to 16G and 17.

The TAC is 10,000 t with allocations distributed according to fleet shares and the reserve distribution rules (Annex 1).

The allocations will be adjusted based on landings and remaining allocations of the 250 t interim TAC following the summer fishery.

Fleet allocations for the TAC of 10,000 t

Fleet	2022
Inshore fleet – HFAs 16A-16G	7,607
Inshore fleet – HFA 17	100
Gulf large purse seine fleet	2,293

Inshore fleet allocations (metric tonnes) for HFAs 16A to 16G

Herring Fishing Area	2022
Reserve	558
Allocations following the distribution of the reserve	
16A	12
16B	3,616
16C	1,479 (C&E)
16D	50
16E	See 16C above
16F	1,519
16G	1,010

ANNEX 1

2022 – Reserve distribution rules

1. The reserve distribution rules are only applicable to the fixed gear fleet.
2. Each HFA will maintain its share at the closing of the fishing season.
3. The reserve is established according to predetermined percentage of the initial allocation from the following HFAs:
 - 80% of the allocation from HFA 16A
 - 80% of the allocation from HFA 16D
 - 18.548% of the allocation from HFA 16G
 - 80% of the allocation from HFA 17
4. The reserve is divided equally to HFAs 16C and 16E (50%) and 16F (50%).
5. The reserve distribution rules are evaluated annually to take into consideration conservation concerns.
6. If the allocation for HFA 16A, 16D or 16G is no longer sufficient after the reserve deductions, due to an increase in abundance, there will be a revision of the reserve distribution rules.

Allocations after reserve distribution

Reserve = 558 t

HFA	Shares	Initial allocations (t)	Reserve (t)	Allocations after reserve deductions (t)	Reserve distribution (t)	Allocations (t)
16A	0.79%	60	48	12		12
16B	47.54%	3,616		3,616		3,616
16C&E	15.77%	1,200		1,200	279	1,479
16D	3.29%	250	200	50		50
16F	16.30%	1,240		1,240	279	1,519
16G	16.30%	1,240	230	1,010		1,010
17*	1%	100	80	100		100
TOTAL	100%	7,706	558		558	7,786

*Risk managed, no fishing activities.

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