

APPENDIX C

Glossary of Terms

abundance index	- A standard measure of resource abundance relative to other years.
Act	- Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act.
age at entry	- age or size when a scallop is first retained in the fishery.
Council	- New England Fishery Management Council.
DAH	- Domestic Annual Harvest; a term in the Act.
DAP	- Domestic Annual Processing; a term in the Act.
dredge	- Metal framed apparatus with a metal ring bag that is towed behind a vessel on the sea bottom to collect scallops.
ex-vessel price	- Price of fish (product) to the fisherman (boat) at first transaction.
fathoms (fm)	- Measure of water depth, 1 fathom = 6 feet = 1.83 meters.
FCZ	- Fishery Conservation Zone; the area covering and extending 197 nautical miles from the seaward limit of the States' territorial waters subject to U.S. jurisdiction.
fishing mortality	- Loss from the fish population due to fishing; may take the form of catch or discard.
F	- The instantaneous rate of fishing mortality.
F(max)	- The fishing mortality rate associated with maximum yield per recruit.
F(0.1)	- The fishing mortality rate, less than F(max), that is believed to result in the greatest long-term average yield from the fishery.
ICNAF	- International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries.
JVP	- Joint Venture Processing; a term in the Act.
kilometer (km)	- 1,000 meters = .62 mile.
Lay System	- A method of dividing the gross revenues and expenses of a fishing vessel among the owner(s) and crew.
meat count	- The number of scallop meats making up one pound of product.

- metric ton (MT) - 2204.6 pounds.
- MFCMA - Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act.
- MSY - Maximum Sustainable Yield; the greatest long-term average yield which may be derived from a fishery resource.
- National Standards - Fishery conservation and management criteria for the preparation of Fishery Management Plans in the MFCMA.
- NEFC - Northeast Fishery Center.
- NMFS - National Marine Fisheries Service.
- NOAA - National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration.
- OY - Optimum Yield.
- recruitment - The group of fish (often a year class) that reaches the size or age during a given year when it will first be subject to being caught.
- Regional Director - NMFS Regional Director.
- Secretary - Secretary of Commerce.
- shell stocker - Vessel engaging in scallop fishing that does not remove scallop meats from the shell before landing.
- shucker - Vessel engaging in scallop fishing that removes meat from the shell before landing.
- TALFF - Total allowable level of foreign fishing; a term in the Act.
- territorial sea - The area extending 3 nautical miles seaward from the shoreline of the coastal states and under the management authority of the individual states.
- Year class - The group of fish that were spawned in a given year; e.g., the 1978 year class was spawned in 1978.

