

Explanatory meetings of the EU acquis – Chapter 13

Fisheries Data Collection

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data collection legislation

establishes rules on:

- collection, management and storage, in the framework of EU multiannual programmes, of biological, technical, environmental and socio-economic data concerning the fisheries, aquaculture and processing sectors*
- the use on data concerning the fisheries sector in the framework of the CFP, for the purpose of scientific analysis and to form the basis of scientific advice*

data collection

***aims** to harmonize and strengthen data collection activities in EU fishing vessels and fisheries and to make these data available to the scientific community (in support of policy development)*

***is based on** regional approach and fleet-based approach*

***supports** the data base development and ecosystem approach to fisheries management*

Common Fisheries Policy 1380/2013

Article 25 Data requirements for fisheries management

- Member States obligation to collect data, make them available to end users, report annually, coordinate with other MS and in the region, and internationally*
- STECF and Commission assesses the annual reports*
- failure to collect/provide data may lead to suspension/interruption of Union financial assistance*

legal framework

- *Regulation 1380/2013 Common Fisheries Policy*
- *Regulation 2017/1004 Union framework for collection, management and use of data in the fisheries sector, and support for scientific advice regarding the CFP*
- *COM Implementing Decision 2016/1251 Multiannual Union Programme for the collection, management, use of data in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors for the period 2017-2019*
- *MS work plans (COM Implementing Decision 2016/1701) and annual reports (COM Implementing Decision 2018/1283)*

Regulation 2017/1004 Union Framework (1)

sets the rules and provisions on:

- data protection (compliant with EU legislation)*
- Multiannual Union Programme EU MAP*
- national work plans (how, when, where data will be collected; how data is made available to end users; how regional and international cooperation takes place)*
- appointment National Correspondents (focal point MS)*
- regional cooperation (Regional Coordination Groups)*

Regulation 2017/1004 Union Framework (2)

sets the rules and provisions on:

- annual reports by MS (evaluated by STECF, assessment of implementation of national work plans by COM)*
- ensuring of access to sampling sites by MS*
- ensuring safe data storage by MS*
- ensuring primary data quality/completeness by MS*

Regulation 2017/1004 Union Framework (3)

sets the rules and provisions on:

- access to and transmission of primary data (COM has access; end users have access; MS ensure appropriate processing of primary data, its availability and timely delivery; MS cooperate to create Regional Databases RDB)*
- rules for end users*
- MS ensure participation of national experts in meetings (of RFMOs, international scientific bodies)*

COM Implementing Decision 2016/1251 EU MAP 2017-2019 (1)

Multiannual Union Programme 2017-2019

provides for listing of data requirements, of the list of mandatory research surveys at sea, and the thresholds below which data collection is not mandatory for MS

COM Implementing Decision 2016/1251 EU MAP 2017-2019 (2)

Contains:

- definitions

- list of data requirements:

- biological data (fisheries, including recreational)
- data on impact on marine ecosystems
- data on activities of Union vessels outside EU waters
- socio-economic data
- social, economic, environmental data on marine/freshwater aquaculture

COM Implementing Decision 2016/1251 EU MAP 2017-2019 (3)

contains:

- list of mandatory research surveys at sea

- type of survey
- period
- area
- targeted species

- thresholds for MS (not having to collect data):

- less than 10 % of the total Union TAC or catches, or less than 200 tons
- threshold levels for other data collection

Extension of EU MAP 2020-2021

COM Implementing Decision 2019/909 EU MAP 2020-2021 for the list of surveys and thresholds for data collection

COM Delegated Decision 2019/910 EU MAP 2020-2021 for biological, environmental and socio-economic data collection

Revision of EU-MAP beyond 2021 - ongoing

Member State

Work Plan and annual report (1)

Work Plan (submitted 31 October of preceding year):

- follows period of EU MAP (2017-2019)*
- based on template (general rules and format, content, data requirements and description, data quality assurance and cooperation) – COM Implementing Decision 2016/1701*
- STECF evaluates the MS work plan, COM adopts by COM Implementing Decision (before 1 January)*
- can be amended during the period*

Member State Work Plan and annual report (2)

annual report (submitted 31 May):

- on implementation of work plan (template)*
- evaluated by STECF (execution of work plan, and quality of data collected)*
- COM assesses on basis of STECF evaluation and of consultation with RFMO (end users)*
- negative evaluation may lead to suspension/interruption of Union financial assistance*

Links to legal references (1)

REGULATION (EU) No 1380/2013 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC DCF

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2013:354:0022:0061:EN:PDF>

REGULATION (EU) 2017/1004 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 17 May 2017 on the establishment of a Union framework for the collection, management and use of data in the fisheries sector and support for scientific advice regarding the common fisheries policy and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 199/2008 (recast)

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32017R1004&from=EN>

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2016/1251 of 12 July 2016 adopting a multiannual Union programme for the collection, management and use of data in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors for the period 2017-2019

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32016D1251&from=EN>

Links to legal references (2)

COMMISSION DELEGATED DECISION (EU) 2019/910 of 13 March 2019 establishing the multiannual Union programme for the collection and management of biological, technical and socio-economic data in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:L:2019:145:FULL&from=EN>

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/909 of 18 February 2019 establishing the list of mandatory research surveys and thresholds for the purposes of the multiannual Union programme for the collection and management of data in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:L:2019:145:FULL&from=EN>

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2016/1701 of 19 August 2016 laying down rules on the format for the submission of work plans for data collection in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32016D1701&from=EN>

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2018/1283 of 24 August 2018 laying down rules on the format and timetables for the submission of annual data collection reports in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32018D1283>