

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held Tuesday, October 6, 2026, through Thursday, October 8, 2026. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: This will be an in-person meeting with a virtual option. Council members, other meeting participants, and members of the public will have the option to participate in person at The Sanderling (1461 Duck Road, Duck, NC 27949) or virtually via Webex webinar. Webinar connection instructions and briefing materials will be available at: <https://www.mafmc.org/briefing/october-2026>.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331; <https://www.mafmc.org>. The Council's website, <https://www.mafmc.org>, also has details on the meeting location, proposed agenda, webinar listen-in access, and briefing materials.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D. Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 526-5255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the agenda, although agenda items may be addressed out of order (changes will be noted on the Council's website when possible).

Tuesday, October 6, 2026

Executive Committee (Closed Session)

—Review 2026 Ricks E Savage Award nominations

Executive Committee (Open Session)

—Review draft deliverables for the 2027 Implementation Plan

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Evaluation of Vessel Baseline Restrictions

—Review and consider initiating management action

Scup Gear Restricted Areas (GRAs) Project

—Review scup GRAs, previous analysis, and summary of IRA project results
—Consider potential management action

Wednesday, October 7, 2026

2027 Illex Specifications

—Review recommendations from the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff
—Review previously adopted 2027 specifications, including commercial measures, and revise as necessary

Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO) Illex Quota Issues

—Review staff and SSC input
—Decide on next steps

2027 Atlantic Mackerel Specifications

—Review recommendations from the SSC, Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff
—Review previously adopted 2027 specifications, including commercial and recreational measures, and revise as necessary

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Longfin Squid Research Track Assessment

—Overview of recently completed Research Track stock assessment results

2027 Spiny Dogfish Specifications

—Review recommendations from the SSC, Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff
—Review previously adopted 2027 specifications, including commercial measures, and revise as necessary

Joint MAFMC and SAFMC Blueline Tilefish Subcommittee Update

—Review recommendations from the Subcommittee and consider next steps

Habitat Activities Update—Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO) Habitat and Ecosystem Services Division

—Presentation on draft design of regional fisheries compensatory fund administration and public comment opportunities

Regional Offshore Wind Fisheries Compensatory Mitigation Fund Update—Deirdre Boelke, Fisheries Insight Network

—Presentation on draft design of regional fisheries compensatory fund administration and public comment opportunities

Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan (ALWTRP) Scoping Presentation—Corie Grewal, NOAA Fisheries

—Review information on the scoping process for potential future ALWTRP modifications

Thursday, October 8, 2026

Business Session

Committee Reports (SSC); Executive Director's Report; Organization Reports; and Liaison Reports

Other Business and General Public Comment

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c).

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to Shelley Spedden, (302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: September 16, 2026.

Key Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Limitations of Duty-Free Imports of Apparel Articles Assembled in Beneficiary Sub-Saharan African Countries From Regional and Third-Country Fabric

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA)

ACTION: Publishing the New Quantitative Limit on Duty-Free Benefits for Certain Apparel Assembled in Sub-Saharan Africa

DATES: The new limitations became effective October 1, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Newberg, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-7578.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Title I, Section 112(b)(3) of the Trade and Development Act of 2000

(TDA 2000), Public Law (Pub. L.) 106–200, as amended by Division B, Title XXI, section 3108 of the Trade Act of 2002, Public Law 107–210; Section 7(b)(2) of the AGOA Acceleration Act of 2004, Public Law 108–274; Division D, Title VI, section 6002 of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 (TRHCA 2006), Public Law 109–432, and section 1 of The African Growth and Opportunity Amendments (Pub. L. 112–163), August 10, 2012; Presidential Proclamation 7350 of October 2, 2000 (65 FR 59321); Presidential Proclamation 7626 of November 13, 2002 (67 FR 69459); Title I, Section 103(b)(2) and (3) of the Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015, Public Law 114–27, June 29, 2015; Division I, Section 5019 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026 (Pub. L. 119–75); and Division B, Section 2008 of the Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2027 (Pub. L. 119–103).

Title I of TDA 2000 provides for duty-free treatment for certain textile and apparel articles imported from designated beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries. Section 112(b)(3) of TDA 2000 provides duty-free treatment for apparel articles wholly assembled in one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries from fabric wholly formed in one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries from yarn originating in the United States or one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries or former beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries, subject to quantitative limitations. This preferential treatment is also available for apparel articles assembled in one or more lesser-developed beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries, regardless of the country of origin of the fabric used to make such articles, subject to quantitative limitation. Public Law 119–103 extended preferential treatment under these programs through December 31, 2028.

The AGOA Acceleration Act of 2004 provides that the quantitative limitation will be an amount not to exceed seven percent of the aggregate square meter equivalents of all apparel articles imported into the United States in the preceding 12-month period for which data are available. *See* Section 112(b)(3)(A)(ii)(I) of TDA 2000, as amended by Section 2008(b)(2) of the Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2027. Of this overall amount, apparel imported during the same period under the special rule for lesser-developed countries is limited to an amount not to exceed 3.5 percent of all apparel articles imported into the United States in the preceding 12-month

period for which data are available. *See* Section 112(b)(3)(B)(ii)(II) of TDA 2000, as amended by Section 2008(b)(3) of the Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2027. Presidential Proclamation 7350 of October 2, 2000 directed CITA to publish the aggregate quantity of imports allowed during each 12-month period in the **Federal Register**.

For the period beginning on October 1, 2026, and extending through September 30, 2027, the aggregate quantity of imports eligible for preferential treatment under these provisions is 1,690,799,016 square meters equivalent. Of this amount, 845,399,508 square meters equivalent is available to apparel articles imported under the special rule for lesser-developed countries. Apparel articles entered in excess of these quantities will be subject to otherwise applicable tariffs.

These quantities are calculated using the aggregate square meter equivalents of all apparel articles imported into the United States, derived from the set of Harmonized System lines listed in the Annex to the World Trade Organization Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), and the conversion factors for units of measure into square meter equivalents used by the United States in implementing the ATC.

Joshua Kroon,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

TRICARE: Notice of TRICARE Plan Program Changes for Calendar Year (CY) 2027

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: ACTION: Notice; TRICARE Plan Program changes for CY 2027.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information regarding TRICARE Plan Program Changes for CY 2027.

DATES: TRICARE Health Plan information in this notice is valid for services during CY 2027 (January 1–December 31, 2027).

ADDRESSES: Defense Health Agency, TRICARE Health Plan Division, 7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, Virginia 22042–5101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Debra Fisher, 703–275–6224,

dha.ncr.healthcare-ops.mbx.thp-policy-and-programs-branch@health.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A final rule published in the **Federal Register** (FR) on February 15, 2019 (84 FR 4326–4333) established the requirement for the Director, Defense Health Agency (DHA), to provide notice of TRICARE program changes to Military Health System (MHS) beneficiaries each CY in connection with the annual open season enrollment period. The following changes or improvements to the TRICARE program benefits apply for CY 2027.

Open Season Announcement

Open Season is an annual period when beneficiaries may enroll in a health plan or make changes to their health care, dental, and/or vision coverage for the next CY.

During the TRICARE Open Season running from November 9 through December 8, 2026, qualified MHS beneficiaries may enroll in or change their TRICARE Prime or TRICARE Select plan.

During the Federal Employee Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) Open Season running from November 9 through December 7, 2026, qualified MHS beneficiaries, including TRICARE For Life beneficiaries, may enroll in or make changes to their dental and/or vision plans. FEDVIP is operated by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Any changes MHS beneficiaries make during Open Season will take effect on January 1, 2027. If a beneficiary remains eligible and does not make any changes during Open Season, then his/her coverage will remain the same for 2027. TRICARE enrollees can ensure they receive important health plan information by promptly entering any change in mailing address, email address, and other information in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) and verifying their preference for receipt of information digitally or by paper mailings with their respective regional contractors. TRICARE enrollees can avoid any health care coverage gaps by ensuring changes in their payment information are also updated with their regional contractors. *See* <https://tricare.mil/Plans/Eligibility/DEERS> as a guide for when to update information in DEERS throughout the year.

Annual Announcements

The following TRICARE program features are subject to a year-to-year determination and are announced each year prior to the annual TRICARE Open Season: