



**This is to certify that:  
ISF Iceland capelin**

*Has been evaluated by Global Trust Certification, ASI Accreditation Code ASI-ACC-035, and has been found to meet the requirements of the:*

**Marine Stewardship Council (MSC)  
Fisheries Standard Version 2.01**

The client can therefore claim the fishery to be a “Well Managed and Sustainable Fishery”, in accordance with MSC’s Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing.

**The client for the fishery is:  
Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf.  
Grandagarði 16, 101 Reykjavík, Iceland**

	<b>SCOPE:</b>
<b>Species:</b>	<i>Mallotus villosus</i>
<b>Common Name:</b>	Capelin (ISL: Loðna)
<b>Geographical Range of Fishing Operation:</b>	The Iceland and Faroes waters, East Greenland and Jan Mayen areas, FAO Fishing Area 27 Atlantic Northeast
<b>Stock:</b>	Capelin ( <i>Mallotus villosus</i> ) in ICES Subareas 5 and 14 and Division 2.a west of 5°W (Iceland and Faroes grounds, East Greenland, Jan Mayen area)
<b>Method(s) of Capture:</b>	Pelagic trawl Purse seine
<b>Management System:</b>	Icelandic Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, Directorate of Fisheries, Marine and Freshwater Research Institute (MFRI), Icelandic Coast Guard
<b>Client Group:</b>	Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf.
<b>Group Members:</b>	An up to date list of Client Group members is available on the ISF webpage <a href="http://www.icelandsustainable.is/isf-certificate-sharers.html">http://www.icelandsustainable.is/isf-certificate-sharers.html</a>
<b>Entry Point of Chain of Custody:</b>	MSC Chain of Custody certification shall commence from the point of landing and sale. Landing sites are as specified in the Public Certification Report. All further activities from the point of first landing, including land-based processing plants as well as cold/freezer stores that perform anything more than movement of product, will be subject to a separate Chain of Custody certification. For more detailed information on the scope of this Certificate refer to Annex 1 below and to the Public Certification Report.
<b>Inseparable or Practicably Inseparable Catches:</b>	None
<b>Registration No:</b>	MSC-F-31299
<b>Certification Date:</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
<b>Certificate Issue Date:</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
<b>Re-Assessment Due Date:</b>	To be announced by 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2027 (4 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of cert + 3 months)
<b>Certificate Expiry Date:</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2027

**Signed on behalf of Global Trust Certification:**

*Thomas White*

**Tom White,  
Manager, Supply Chain Food Safety - Seafood**



**Annex 1 to Certificate MSC-F-31299:**

## **Fishery Certificate Statement**

**For:**  
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**Up to date as of:** 18 October 2022.

### **Parties currently eligible to access this certificate**

The parties (i.e. vessels, fleets and/or any other client group members, including named companies) that are currently eligible to access this fishery certificate are all current members of the Client Group (Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf.); an up-to-date list of current ISF members is available on the ISF webpage: <http://www.icelandsustainable.is/isf-certificate-sharers.html>

Eligible product may be supplied to Client Group members by all registered Icelandic vessels, as well as by Norwegian, Faroese and Greenlandic vessels with valid permits to operate within the Icelandic EEZ. A list of vessels with valid licences for fishing within the Icelandic EEZ is available from the Fisheries Directorate upon request (<http://www.fiskistofa.is>).

### **Other eligible fishers (or other entities that may share the certificate as new client group members)**

The Unit of Certification includes all eligible fishers. Other entities that may share the certificate as new client group members include other Icelandic companies in the fishing industry, including producers and sales organisations, that are not currently ISF members.

ISF have previously provided a statement of their understanding and willingness for reasonable certificate sharing arrangements with respect to this fishery which can be viewed on the MSC webpage for this fishery and is also included in the PCR. Entities interested in becoming ISF members should contact ISF directly ([here](#)).

### **Points of landing or other transfer and other limits to product eligibility**

In order for fish from the certified fishery to be sold into further chains of custody it must be sold through a member of the Client Group.

Fish from eligible fishing vessels, whole and/or semi-processed, landed at any officially approved landing site (harbour) and/or sold via (first sale) fish auction and/or kept in cold store facilities in Iceland or in a Third Country prior to first sale or post-landing processing, may therefore enter into further certified chain of custody and be eligible to carry the MSC eco-label, provided these are sold through a member of the client group, i.e. a shareholder of the Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf. and/or its registered certificate sharing entities.

Operators who do not share the certificate but who take ownership of the fish after landing and before it is sold to the certificate sharer are required to hold MSC Chain of Custody certification. Sub-contractors, who do not take ownership of the catch but are involved in the handling of the fish after landing, are required to either be holders of the MSC Chain of Custody certification or to be listed as sub-contractors on the scope of another MSC Chain of Custody Certificate holder.