Blue shark

**Scientific Name:** *Prionace glauca*

**Species Name(s):** Blue shark

**Stock Identification:**

In the Atlantic Ocean blue shark is found from Newfoundland to Argentina and from Norway to South Africa where, based on different scientific studies related to tagging, migration cycles and reproduction areas (e.g. Castro and Mejuto, 1995; Fitzmaurice et al., 2005) three stocks are considered: North Atlantic, South Atlantic and Mediterranean (ICCAT, 2008; FIRMS, 2018; Valeiras and Abad, 2009). No differences were found between eastern and western organisms in the North Atlantic (Skomal and Natanson, 2003).

**Related Links:**

- International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT)

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**Assessment**

No related analysis

**Scores**

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**FIPs**

No related FIPs

**MSC**

- North and South Atlantic swordfish & blue shark Spanish longline: Withdrawn

**Recommendations**

**Retailers & Supply Chain**

- This profile is not currently high on our priority list for development, and we can't at this time provide an accurate prediction of when it will be developed. To speed up an evaluation of the sustainability status of lower priority fisheries we have initiated a program whereby industry can directly contract SFP-approved analysts to develop a FishSource profile on a fishery. More information on this External Contributor Program is available at [https://www.sustainablefish.org/Programs/Science/External-Contributor-Program](https://www.sustainablefish.org/Programs/Science/External-Contributor-Program).