

*2023 FMRD Projected Training Schedule

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January 2023							February 2023							March 2023							At-Sea Monitor	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	ASM SPECIALIZED	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7				1	2	3	4				1	2	3	4	ASM RECERT I	ASM RECERT II
8	9	10	11	12	13	14								5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Base Training	
		Safety II							NEFOP Track						On-site CD/LL/PT						High Volume Fishery IFM ASM Track	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21								12	13	14	15	16	17	18	HVF IFM SPECIALIZED	
		Base Training					12	13	14	15	16	17	18								Electronic Monitor Base & Track(s)	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28								19	20	21	22	23	24	25	EM RECERT	Portside Sampler
		Base Training					19	20	21	22	23	24	25								Industry Funded Scallop Track	
29	30	31					26	27	28												IFS SPECIALIZED	
														26	27	28	29	30	31		Northeast Fisheries Observer Program	
																					Track	
																					NEFOP SPECIALIZED	
																					NEFOP RECERT	Prep Time for Staff
																					OTHER EVENTS	SAFETY I, II & III
																					HOLIDAY	
April 2023							May 2023							June 2023							NOTES	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Training/DQ & Development and/or Prep Time	
						1		1	2	3	4	5	6					1	2	3	Jan 10: Safety II	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Jan 17: Base Training	
									NEFOP Sp.: PT		NEFOP Sp.: HVF				Base Training						Feb 2: NEFOP Track	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Q1 ASM CFF: Feb 6 & March 6	
															Base Training						Cancelled Feb 14 & 15: NMFS Protected Species Observing	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Feb 21: EM Base + Audit/MREM	
									EM GF Base + Audit & MREM												March 6-10: Clam/Q D./Longline/ Pot Trap	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30		March 20: Base Training	
															NEFOP Track						April 5: IFS Track	
30																					Q2 ASM CFF: April 10 & May 15	
																					April 26: ASM Recert I	
																					Cancelled May 11: PT	
																					May 10: NEFOP HVF	
																					Cancelled May 23: EM Base + Audit/MREM	
																					June 1: EM Audit Recert	
																					June 5: Base Training	
																					June 22: NEFOP Track	
																					July 11: FMO Strategic Rest.	
																					July 17: Base Training	
																					Aug 2: IFS Track	
																					Q3 ASM CFF: Aug 7	
																					Aug 17: Safety II	
																					Aug 29: EM Base + Audit/MREM Remote	
																					Sept 6: Safety II	
																					Sept 11: Base Training	
																					Sept 27: NEFOP Track	
																					Cancelled Oct 17: ASM Recert I	
																					Oct 30: NEFOP Sp.: CD/PT/LL	
																					Nov 13: TDQ Training Development	
																					Oct 29: ASM Cross Training Remote	
																					Q4 ASM CFF: Oct 16; Dec 4	
																					Dec 12: NEFOP Recertification	
																					Dec 18: NEFOP HVF Remote	

*Note that this schedule is based upon on placeholder training options are subject to change

Key for Quarter Planning

Q1: Jan - March

Q2: April - June

Q3: July - Sept

Q4: Oct - Dec

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Definition Page (alphabetical order)

Base: is the core training program required for entrance to any of the track-type certification trainings. Components mastered in the training could include but not limited to: Fish Identification, Safety Training, Incidental Take Identification and documentation, and basics of the the Catch Estimation Program and Biological Sampling Program.

At-sea Monitor (ASM): is the core certification program comprised of four gear modules; Gillnet, Trawl, Longline, and Handline to observe the Groundfish Fishery.

At-sea Monitor Specialized: is a supplemental ASM certification program comprised of the NEFOP/IFS to ASM certification cross training.

At-sea Monitor Recertification I & II (ASM Recert): is the yearly recertification of the ASM certification comprised of four gear modules: Gillnet, Trawl, Longline, and Handline to observe the Groundfish Fishery. ASM Recert I is designed for the first year ASM observer. ASM Recert II is designed for the two year plus experienced ASM observer.

Audit Track: a model-type track of Electronic Monitoring to validate reported groundfish discards.

Coonamesett Farm Foundation, Inc. (CFF): Awarded the Supplemental At-Sea Monitoring Training.

Electronic Monitoring (EM) Base: Groundfish (EM GF) and High Volume Fisheries Industry Funded Monitoring (EM HVF IFM): is the core certification program providing electronic reviewer training for Groundfish Fishery or HVF IFM Fisheries coverage.

Electronic Monitoring Recertification (EM Recert): is the yearly recertification of the EM certification as an EM reviewer in the Groundfish Fishery.

Fisheries Monitoring and Research Division (FMRD): Provides key services for our nation's ocean resources and habitats, including maintaining productive and sustainable fisheries, helping the recovery and conservation of protected species and supporting healthy marine ecosystems.

High Volume Fisheries Track Industry Funded Monitoring At-sea Monitor (HVF IFM ASM) and Industry Funded Monitoring Observer (HVF IFM Observer): are the core certification programs comprised of the High Volume Fisheries gear modules of the Bottom Trawl, Midwater Trawl, and Purse Seine.

High Volume Fisheries Specialized Industry Funded Monitoring: is a supplemental HVF IFM certification program comprised of the NEFOP to HVF IFM ASM and HVF IFM Observer certification to cross training in the HVF IFM program.

Industry Funded Scallop (IFS) Track: is the core certification program comprised of the gear modules of the Scallop Dredge and Scallop Trawl to observe the Sea Scallop Fishery (both open and access areas).

MREM Track: a model-type track of the Electronic Monitoring to confirm the vessels' retention of all allocated groundfish for dockside monitor to observe.

Northeast Fishery Observer Program (NEFOP) Track: is the core certification program composed of two gear modules: Gillnet and Trawl to observe the Groundfish Fishery. Training could include Small Mesh Fishery, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Council (ASMFC), and Mid-Atlantic Gillnet Fishery.

Northeast Fishery Observer Program Specialized: is a supplemental NEFOP certification program composed of various gear modules. Supplemental gear could modules include but not limited to Pot and Trap (PT), Longline (LL), Shrimp Trawl, High Volume Fisheries (HVF) and Clam Quahog Dredge (CD).

Other Event: is an event that the Fisheries Monitoring and Research Division (FMRD) supports within the Observer Training Center. Events could be conferences or meetings held by other NOAA Branches/Divisions or outside groups. This might affect space availability.

Portside Sampler (PSS): is the core certification program of the portside sampler for Atlantic Herring IFM coverage of the midwater trawl fleet.

Safety Training: is the safety certification program comprised of two components: a basic Offshore Safety Training (Safety I) and an advanced Offshore Safety Training (Safety II & III).