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Note: All requested trainings will be using the FMRD Training Request Form

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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 Electonic Monitoring to validate reported groundfish discards.

Coonamessett 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

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 Electonic 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).