*2025 FMRD Projected Training Schedule

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January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 ARII	8 ASM Recert I	9	10	11
12	13 Safety II	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 ASM Training	28	29	30	31	

February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 ASM Training	25	26	27	28	

March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 EM Audit -R	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Base Training	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 IFS/NEFOP Track	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 ARII	16 ASM Recert I	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 ASM	30			

May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 ASM Training	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 EM -R	17
18	19 HVF-R	20	21 EM Audit- R	22	23 ~~LL-R~~	24
25	26	27	28 EM- R	29	30	31

June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Base Training	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 IFS/NEFOP Track	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

July 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 ASM Training	29	30	31		

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 Longline-R	8	9
10	11 Pot Trap	12	13 Clam Dredge	14	15	16
17	18 Safety II	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Tab5/B	26 BPS	27 Tab5/B	28 BPS	29	30
31						

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Initial/Cross Placeholder	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Initial/Cross Placeholder	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4 ARII	5 ASM Recert I	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Safety II	14	15
16	17 Training Retreat & Development	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 NEFOP Recert	2	3	4 BPS	5 Seminar	6
7	8 Cross/Spc. Placeholder	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

KEY

- AT SEA MONITORING
- ASM SPECIALIZED
- ASM RECERT I / ASM RECERT II
- BASE TRAINING
- ELECTRONIC MONITORING Base & Track
- EM RECERT
- INDUSTRY FUNDED SCALLOP TRACK
- IFS SPECIALIZED
- NORTHEAST FISHERIES OBSERVER OBSERVER PROGRAM TRACK
- NEFOP SPECIALIZED
- NEFOP RECERT / Prep Time for Staff
- PLACEHOLDER INITIAL/CROSS/SPC.
- OTHER EVENTS / SAFETY I, II & III
- Training/DQ & Development
- HOLIDAY

- Quarter 1
- Jan 7: ASM Recert II
- Jan 8: ASM Recert I
- Jan 13: Safety II
- Jan 21: ASM Initial
- Feb 18: ASM Initial
- March 12: R- EM Audit (Obs)
- March 17: Base Training
- April 2: NEFOP Track
- April 2: IFS Track
- Quarter 2
- April 15: ASM Recert II
- April 16: ASM Recert I
- April 29: ASM Initial
- May 16: R- EM Audit Recert
- May 19: R- HVF Training
- May 21: R- EM Audit Track
- Canceled May 22: R- Longline
- May 28: R- EM Audit Recert
- June 2: Base Training
- June 18: NEFOP
- June 18: IFS Track
- Quarter 3
- July 8: NEFOP Recert I
- July 22: ASM Initial
- Aug 7: R- Longline Training
- Aug 11: Pot Training
- Aug 13: Clam Dredge Training
- Aug 18: Safety II
- Aug 26&28:TBD Bio Port Sampling
- Aug 25&27:TBD Tab5/BLISS
- Sept 8: Initial/Cross Placeholder
- Quarter 4
- Oct: Initial/Cross Placeholder
- Nov 4: ASM Recert II
- Nov 5: ASM Recert I
- Nov 13: Safety II
- Nov 17: Training_Development
- Dec 3: NEFOP Recert I
- Dec 4: TBD Bio Port Sampling
- Dec 5: Observer Seminar
- Dec 8:Cross/Track/Spc.Placeholder

***Note that this schedule may outline placeholders and training options are subject to change**

Key: Quarter Planning | Q1: Jan - March | Q2: April - June | Q3: July - Sept | Q4: Oct - Dec | Note: R= Remote

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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 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.

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.

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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. (Offering Non-Operational)

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. (Offering Non-Operational)

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. (Offering Non-Operational)

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), Clam Quahog Dredge (CD), and Biological Port Sampling (BPS).

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. (Offering Non-Operational)

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).