

NORGES SILDESALGSLAG (NORWEGIAN FISHERMEN'S SALES ORGANIZATION FOR PELAGIC FISH) ETHICS AND SUSTAINABILITY

Norges Sildesalgslag is a fishery-owned trading organisation of pelagic fish, which in accordance with the Marine Resources Act and the Fisheries Sales Act and related regulations, has been granted authority to trade pelagic fish and to conduct quota control of pelagic fish species. We work closely with the Norwegian authorities, the Directorate of Fisheries. All our sales are in accordance with Norwegian laws, regulations and fishing regulations.

All pelagic fish caught by Norwegian vessels with Norwegian quotas, traded primarily in first hand sales, must be traded through a sales organisation.

Norges Sildesalgslag controls that all traded pelagic fish is fished within a legal quota and in a legal manner. Catches caught by foreign vessels are reported to the vessel's home country and will be included in that country's quotas. Any exceedances of Norwegian quotas are reported to Norwegian authorities and the catch value can be confiscated in accordance with the current rules. In addition, the fishermen can be penalized in accordance with applicable laws.

The Norwegian fishing quotas are set by the Norwegian authorities. Quotas for shared stocks are set when negotiations with other coastal states have been completed and independent scientific communities in Norway and the ICES Council have been consulted.

The main species traded through Norges Sildesalgslag are MSC-approved. This is done to achieve long-term, sustainable and good management of the stocks. Norges Sildesalgslag does not primarily sell fish that Norwegian and international organizations have designated as endangered species, although these can occur in smaller quantities as bycatch in mixed fisheries.

Norges Sildesalgslag mainly sells fish that have been fished in national and international waters in the North Sea, the Atlantic Ocean and the Barents Sea. From time to time, Norges Sildesalgslag will also sell fish caught elsewhere such as the Baltic Sea

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