

Marine Stewardship Council

Variation Request Form

This form details the information required from CABs to enable the MSC to consider a request to vary from their scheme requirements.

Please complete all unshaded fields. Where instructions are included in italics, please delete and replace with the described information.

Once complete, save and attach to an email to the MSC Fishery Assessment Manager assigned to the fishery being assessed or send to coc@msc.org if the variation is regarding a CoC requirement.

On receipt, the MSC will consider your request and will usually respond within 10 days.

If your variation request is regarding a fishery requirement, please note that all variation requests and the MSC response to the request will be published on the MSC website with announcements for the fishery.

Certification Body	Intertek Moody Marine
Fishery Name/CoC Certificate Number	Hastings Fleet Pelagic Herring and Mackerel
Lead Auditor/Programme Manager	Andrew Hough / Jason Combes
Scheme requirement(s) to vary from	<i>FCM v6 Section 7.1</i>

Proposed variation
<i>This project was late commencing due to client difficulties in obtaining funding. A variation was sought and granted to extend the current certificate period to allow recertification to take place before the certificate expires.</i>
<i>Due to issues of team member availability at two stages in the assessment process, we seek a further extension to the certificate to allow the re-assessment to be completed within the timeframe of the existing certificate – to 11 May 2012.</i>

Rationale/Justification
<i>The attached timeline identifies delays in the assessment process. An initial delay occurred due to team member availability. Once resolved, we attempted to expedite the assessment to meet the existing timescale.</i>
<i>However, managerial transfers within IMM, involving two team members (A Hough and J Combes) have prevented us completing the assessment as hoped, and resulted in a further, albeit shorter, second delay.</i>
<i>The requirements of the MSC scheme will continue to be met in full.</i>

Implications for assessment (required for fisheries assessment variations only)
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<i>The variation will extend the current certificate to cover the timeline delay. There are no other implications for the assessment process.</i>

Have the stakeholders of this fishery assessment been informed of this request? (required for fisheries assessment variations only)
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The client has been informed of the delay.
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Further Comments

<i>Please include any further relevant information.</i>
