

**Recommendation on Conservation and Management Measures for Mackerel in
the NEAFC Regulatory Area for 2018**

The Commission hereby adopts the following Recommendation pursuant to Article 5 of the Convention:

1. Each Contracting Party shall establish conservation and management measures for its mackerel fishery in the NEAFC Regulatory Area for 2018.
2. Conservation and management measures shall include catch limits.
3. Only vessels entitled to fly the flag of a NEAFC Contracting Party, having been authorised by its flag State to fish for mackerel in the NEAFC Regulatory Area, may take part in the fishery.
4. Each Contracting Party shall notify the conservation and management measures it has taken to the Secretary by 1 May 2018. The Secretary shall without delay notify these measures to the other Contracting Parties.
5. These conservation and management measures shall be without prejudice to any future conservation and management measures to be taken for the mackerel in the North-East Atlantic.