



Fishery name: ISF Iceland Greater Silver Smelt
Valid Certificate number: MSC-F-31603
Certification granted: 01/AUG/2023
Current Issue Date: 09/SEP/2025
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Certificate of Conformity

This is to certify that:

ISF Iceland Greater Silver Smelt

is a sustainable and well managed fishery which meets the requirements set out in the:

Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Fisheries Standard

The client for the fishery is:

Icelandic Sustainable Fisheries ehf.
Grandagarður 16, 101 Reykjavík, Iceland

The scope of this certification is applicable to:

Species:

Greater Silver Smelt (Argentina silus)

Gear type(s):

Bottom Trawl and Pelagic Trawl

Geographical Area:

Waters of the Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone within FAO Major Fishing Area 27 (Atlantic, Northeast). - primarily within ICES Division 5a (Iceland Grounds) but including parts of ICES areas 2a, 5b, 12a, 14a and 14b.

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Global Head of Retail, Hospitality & Seafood

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Units of Certification (UoC)

UoC 1

Species:	Greater Silver Smelt (<i>Argentina silus</i>)
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Method of capture:	Bottom Trawl
Stock:	Greater silver smelt (<i>Argentina silus</i>) in ICES subarea 5.a and 14.b
Client Group:	All registered vessels that carry valid permits for fishing within the Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone issued by the Icelandic Directorate of Fisheries, and that fish, supply and/or sell greater silver smelt to Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf. and/or its authenticated certificate sharers.

UoC 2

Species:	Greater Silver Smelt (<i>Argentina silus</i>)
Geographical area:	Waters of the Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone within FAO Major Fishing Area 27 (Atlantic, Northeast). - primarily within ICES Division 5a (Iceland Grounds) but including parts of ICES areas 2a, 5b, 12a, 14a and 14b.
Method of capture:	Pelagic Trawl
Stock:	Greater silver smelt (<i>Argentina silus</i>) in ICES subarea 5.a and 14.b
Client Group:	All registered vessels that carry valid permits for fishing within the Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone issued by the Icelandic Directorate of Fisheries, and that fish, supply and/or sell greater silver smelt to Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf. and/or its authenticated certificate sharers.

Note that other eligible fishers may also be included in some Units of Assessment but not initially certified (until covered by a certificate sharing arrangement).

Other Eligible Fishers:	The Unit of Certification includes all eligible fishers. Other entities that may share the certificate as new client group members include other Icelandic companies in the fishing industry, including producers and sales organisations, that are not currently ISF members.
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There are no IPI stocks in this fishery.



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The point(s) at which fish and fish products may enter a chain of custody:

This Certificate extends to the first point of landing and sale. For more detailed information on the scope of this Certificate refer to the Public Certification Report.

The parties, or categories of parties, that are entitled to use this certificate to enter fish from the certified fishery into certified chains of custody:

The parties (i.e. vessels, fleets and/or any other client group members, including named companies) that are currently eligible to access this fishery certificate are all current members of the Client Group (Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf.); an up-to-date list of current ISF members is available on the ISF webpage: <http://www.icelandsustainable.is/isf-certificate-sharers.html>

Eligible product may be supplied to Client Group members by all registered Icelandic vessels, as well as by Norwegian, Faroese and Greenlandic vessels with valid permits to operate within the Icelandic EEZ. A list of vessels with valid licences for fishing within the Icelandic EEZ is available from the Fisheries Directorate upon request (<http://www.fiskistofa.is>).

Points of landing or other transfer and other limits to product eligibility

In order for fish from the certified fishery to be sold into further chains of custody it must be sold through a member of the Client Group.

Fish from eligible fishing vessels, whole and/or semi-processed, landed at any officially approved landing site (harbour) and/or sold via (first sale) fish auction and/or kept in cold store facilities in Iceland or in a Third Country prior to first sale or post-landing processing, may therefore enter into further certified chain of custody and be eligible to carry the MSC eco-label, provided these are sold through a member of the client group, i.e. shareholder of the Iceland Sustainable Fisheries ehf. and/or its registered certificate sharing entities.

Operators who do not share the certificate but who take ownership of the fish after landing and before it is sold to the certificate sharer are required to hold MSC Chain of Custody certification. Sub-contractors, who do not take ownership of the catch but are involved in the handling of the fish after landing, are required to either be holders of the MSC Chain of Custody certification or to be listed as sub-contractors on the scope of another MSC Chain of Custody Certificate holder.