

# France Eastern English Channel thornback ray - bottom trawls, trammel net, and Danish seine

## Overview

### FIP Description

1. Target stock: thornback ray in the Eastern English Channel (ICES division 7d); FAO species code: RJC
2. The 'thornback ray' is a skate, belonging to the skates family 'Rajidae';
3. Fishing method/gear: bottom trawls (single, pair, and twin - OTB, PTB, OTT), trammel net (GTR), and Danish seine (SDN)
4. Operated by French-flagged fishing vessels, members of the two French Producer Organisations FROM NORD and OPN (*Organisation de pêcheurs normands*) based in the French regions *Normandie* and *Hauts-de-France*

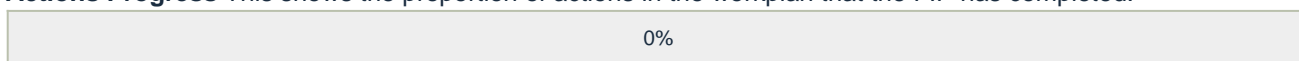
*Note (situation August 2024): FIP landings and Fishery landings provided on this web page below are annual estimates in 2022 (that is not for the mentioned month) - based on catch data provided by the two producer organisations OPN and FROM NORD for the former and ICES public data ['Official Nominal Catches 2006-2022'](#) (year 2022 available since August 2024) for the latter.*

## How is this FIP Doing?

### Current Status:



**Actions Progress** This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.



**Actions Overview** This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	100%	0%	0%

### FIP Progress Rating

A - Advanced Progress

### FIP Objective(s)

The fishery aims to be MSC certified after the FIP implementation, that is by 2027 (objective when launching the FIP).

Update end of year 3 of the FIP - August 2024: whether and when to apply for MSC certification - standard version 2 will be decided by the FIP implementers in 2025 or in the first semester of the year 2026 (see situation update under the 'Actions' Tab).

### FIP Type

Comprehensive

### FIP Stage

Stage 5: Improvements on the Water

### Start and Projected End Dates

July, 2021 -  
June, 2026

### Species

#### Common Name

Thornback Ray

#### Scientific Name

Raja clavata

### Gear Type

[Bottom Trawl](#)

[Danish Seine](#)

[Trammel Net](#)

## Location

### FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 27 \(Atlantic, Northeast\)](#)

### Exclusive Economic Zones

#### Country

France

#### Geographic Scope

ICES Division 7d - Eastern English Channel (EU) waters under the French jurisdiction

#### Country

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the)

#### Geographic Scope

ICES Division 7d - Eastern English Channel waters under the British jurisdiction

## Estimated Total FIP Landings

672 metric tons

## FIP Leads

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