



Notice to Fish Harvesters

North Atlantic Right Whale - Notice of temporary prohibited fishing grid(s) HB36, HC36, HC37 and Notice of seasonally prohibited fishing grid(s) GZ34, HA34, HB34, HC34, HC35, HC36, HC37

July 17, 2025 – Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) is providing notice of grid status updates related to North Atlantic Right Whale (NARW). The information presented herein is consistent with the 2025 NARW management measures previously announced by DFO.

All times listed in this document are in Atlantic Daylight Time (ADT).

New updates are in effect in the following waters (refer to the corresponding annex for details):

- **New temporary and seasonal prohibited fishing grid(s) in the Gulf of St Lawrence - Annex 1**

All NARW related prohibited fishing grids currently in effect in Canadian waters are provided in the following corresponding annexes:

- Annex 1 – for the Gulf of St Lawrence
- Annex 2 – for the Bay of Fundy
- Annex 3 – for the Roseway Basin Critical Habitat
- Annex 4 – for all waters outside of the dynamic or critical habitat areas

DFO asks licence holders to be vigilant during fishing activities concerning the presence of NARW. Furthermore, please be reminded that it is the responsibility of the licence holder and operator to take into account the marine safety notices issued, amongst others, by Environment and Climate Change Canada and Transport Canada, as well as the standards and best practices in marine safety, and to take all measures to ensure safe fishing operations.

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Coordinates

Table 1: Coordinates representing the **largest** contour of prohibited fishing grid(s) in the waters of **Gulf of St Lawrence**

Points	Position*	
	North Latitude (N)	West Longitude (W)

1	48° 20' 00.00"	64° 00' 00.00"
2	48° 20' 00.00"	63° 30' 00.00"
3	48° 10' 00.00"	63° 30' 00.00"
4	48° 10' 00.00"	63° 20' 00.00"
5	48° 00' 00.00"	63° 20' 00.00"
6	48° 00' 00.00"	63° 10' 00.00"
7	47° 50' 00.00"	63° 10' 00.00"
8	47° 50' 00.00"	63° 00' 00.00"
9	47° 10' 00.00"	63° 00' 00.00"
10	47° 10' 00.00"	63° 30' 00.00"
11	46° 50' 00.00"	63° 30' 00.00"
12	46° 50' 00.00"	63° 42' 56.78"
13	46° 52' 06.04"	63° 43' 03.85"
14	46° 53' 37.48"	63° 47' 32.08"
15	46° 55' 49.26"	63° 47' 43.13"
16	46° 59' 05.29"	63° 49' 06.01"
17	46° 59' 45.76"	63° 50' 33.85"
18	47° 03' 43.87"	63° 50' 09.77"
19	47° 04' 47.48"	63° 51' 20.45"
20	47° 05' 51.18"	63° 51' 14.44"
21	47° 07' 04.68"	63° 52' 02.35"
22	47° 08' 47.62"	63° 51' 59.47"
23	47° 10' 00.00"	63° 51' 56.02"
24	47° 10' 00.00"	63° 54' 08.21"
25	47° 10' 41.87"	63° 54' 07.34"
26	47° 11' 25.63"	63° 55' 24.64"
27	47° 11' 40.88"	63° 57' 11.82"
28	47° 11' 12.38"	63° 58' 18.39"
29	47° 10' 19.57"	63° 58' 52.73"
30	47° 10' 37.38"	63° 59' 21.36"
31	47° 10' 00.00"	64° 00' 10.96"
32	47° 10' 00.00"	64° 25' 55.34"
33	47° 10' 49.92"	64° 26' 00.30"
34	47° 12' 33.12"	64° 30' 32.01"
35	47° 13' 37.84"	64° 29' 12.12"
36	47° 14' 27.79"	64° 30' 53.64"
37	47° 16' 48.29"	64° 32' 13.03"
38	47° 18' 23.08"	64° 30' 53.84"
39	47° 18' 52.13"	64° 32' 16.58"
40	47° 19' 58.12"	64° 31' 09.46"
41	47° 20' 53.70"	64° 30' 53.29"
42	47° 21' 52.47"	64° 32' 05.42"
43	47° 23' 03.61"	64° 31' 16.61"
44	47° 24' 55.56"	64° 32' 59.97"
45	47° 26' 46.58"	64° 31' 56.59"

46	47° 27' 50.84"	64° 32' 26.23"
47	47° 28' 47.50"	64° 31' 03.05"
48	47° 30' 52.84"	64° 29' 20.48"
49	47° 32' 19.70"	64° 29' 10.56"
50	47° 33' 27.32"	64° 27' 18.40"
51	47° 34' 12.18"	64° 28' 19.85"
52	47° 37' 22.47"	64° 25' 37.02"
53	47° 38' 09.07"	64° 25' 06.93"
54	47° 38' 45.65"	64° 23' 45.32"
55	47° 39' 57.43"	64° 23' 55.37"
56	47° 41' 01.50"	64° 23' 31.06"
57	47° 41' 50.06"	64° 23' 32.86"
58	47° 43' 00.94"	64° 20' 47.99"
59	47° 43' 17.34"	64° 22' 22.86"
60	47° 44' 55.64"	64° 20' 41.84"
61	47° 46' 56.89"	64° 20' 29.17"
62	47° 49' 23.55"	64° 18' 31.96"
63	47° 50' 50.56"	64° 17' 53.02"
64	47° 51' 31.42"	64° 16' 18.35"
65	47° 52' 44.11"	64° 15' 18.11"
66	47° 53' 33.68"	64° 14' 14.52"
67	47° 54' 04.88"	64° 13' 36.82"
68	47° 54' 30.56"	64° 13' 24.18"
69	47° 54' 45.01"	64° 12' 56.11"
70	47° 55' 27.02"	64° 11' 22.51"
71	47° 55' 48.16"	64° 11' 27.27"
72	47° 55' 49.61"	64° 10' 20.98"
73	47° 56' 22.53"	64° 09' 35.56"
74	47° 56' 38.74"	64° 09' 26.24"
75	47° 57' 02.18"	64° 08' 53.51"
76	47° 57' 25.95"	64° 09' 35.78"
77	47° 57' 45.77"	64° 09' 15.09"
78	47° 58' 05.64"	64° 08' 24.27"
79	47° 58' 26.79"	64° 08' 08.94"
80	47° 58' 40.26"	64° 08' 23.04"
81	47° 59' 01.46"	64° 07' 38.25"
82	47° 59' 44.59"	64° 07' 49.11"
83	48° 00' 16.68"	64° 07' 42.97"
84	48° 00' 57.62"	64° 07' 17.37"
85	48° 01' 29.42"	64° 07' 16.12"
86	48° 01' 19.28"	64° 06' 18.85"
87	48° 01' 20.04"	64° 06' 08.87"
88	48° 01' 35.07"	64° 04' 35.72"
89	48° 01' 59.55"	64° 05' 30.73"
90	48° 02' 36.76"	64° 05' 25.86"

91	48° 02' 57.21"	64° 05' 32.59"
92	48° 03' 14.95"	64° 06' 26.66"
93	48° 03' 49.59"	64° 06' 07.16"
94	48° 04' 32.04"	64° 05' 29.58"
95	48° 04' 50.96"	64° 05' 51.28"
96	48° 05' 07.64"	64° 06' 26.28"
97	48° 05' 30.33"	64° 06' 14.71"
98	48° 05' 48.84"	64° 07' 03.04"
99	48° 06' 09.70"	64° 06' 24.28"
100	48° 07' 10.93"	64° 07' 11.64"
101	48° 07' 57.86"	64° 08' 34.31"
102	48° 08' 21.62"	64° 08' 48.26"
103	48° 08' 46.56"	64° 08' 57.02"
104	48° 08' 58.75"	64° 09' 50.10"
105	48° 08' 57.91"	64° 10' 00.00"
106	48° 10' 00.00"	64° 10' 00.00"
107	48° 10' 00.00"	64° 00' 00.00"
108	48° 20' 00.00"	64° 00' 00.00"

Table 2: Coordinates representing the contour of the prohibited fishing grid(s) in the waters North of Prince Edward Island

Points	Position*	
	North Latitude (N)	West Longitude (W)
1	47° 00' 00.00"	62° 20' 00.00"
2	47° 00' 00.00"	61° 50' 00.00"
3	46° 30' 00.00"	61° 50' 00.00"
4	46° 30' 00.00"	61° 51' 50.04"
5	46° 30' 21.00"	61° 53' 53.90"
6	46° 30' 18.17"	61° 54' 48.27"
7	46° 30' 10.78"	61° 55' 26.72"
8	46° 30' 37.18"	61° 57' 06.28"
9	46° 30' 28.82"	61° 58' 20.53"
10	46° 31' 19.17"	61° 58' 28.65"
11	46° 31' 30.96"	61° 59' 41.64"
12	46° 32' 07.50"	62° 00' 33.49"
13	46° 32' 01.87"	62° 01' 58.36"
14	46° 31' 19.58"	62° 03' 19.46"
15	46° 31' 08.02"	62° 04' 31.96"
16	46° 32' 12.56"	62° 02' 38.19"
17	46° 32' 36.77"	62° 03' 44.58"
18	46° 32' 40.85"	62° 06' 01.38"
19	46° 32' 26.44"	62° 07' 07.65"
20	46° 31' 44.21"	62° 10' 00.00"

21	46° 32' 00.12"	62° 10' 00.00"
22	46° 32' 47.82"	62° 07' 55.39"
23	46° 32' 48.93"	62° 10' 00.00"
24	46° 50' 00.00"	62° 10' 00.00"
25	46° 50' 00.00"	62° 20' 00.00"
26	47° 00' 00.00"	62° 20' 00.00"

Table 3: Coordinates representing the contour of the prohibited fishing grid(s) in the waters **North of the Magdalen Islands**

Points	Position*	
	North Latitude (N)	West Longitude (W)
1	48° 20' 00.00"	62° 00' 00.00"
2	48° 20' 00.00"	61° 30' 00.00"
3	47° 51' 06.85"	61° 30' 00.00"
4	47° 51' 13.59"	61° 30' 06.96"
5	47° 51' 02.00"	61° 31' 16.39"
6	47° 50' 26.64"	61° 32' 07.46"
7	47° 50' 14.32"	61° 32' 13.51"
8	47° 50' 32.35"	61° 32' 26.98"
9	47° 50' 24.13"	61° 32' 41.58"
10	47° 50' 19.16"	61° 33' 13.25"
11	47° 50' 00.00"	61° 33' 30.94"
12	47° 50' 00.00"	61° 33' 32.41"
13	47° 50' 05.98"	61° 33' 42.45"
14	47° 50' 00.00"	61° 33' 52.85"
15	47° 50' 00.00"	62° 00' 00.00"
16	48° 20' 00.00"	62° 00' 00.00"

Table 4: Coordinates representing the contour of the prohibited fishing grid(s) in the waters **West of the Magdalen Islands**

Points	Position*	
	North Latitude (N)	West Longitude (W)
1	47° 40' 00.00"	62° 50' 00.00"
2	47° 40' 00.00"	62° 20' 00.00"
3	47° 10' 00.00"	62° 20' 00.00"
4	47° 10' 00.00"	62° 50' 00.00"
5	47° 40' 00.00"	62° 50' 00.00"

Table 5: Coordinates representing the contour of the prohibited fishing grid(s) in the waters of **North Eastern Gulf of St Lawrence**

Points	Position*	
	North Latitude (N)	West Longitude (W)
1	50° 20' 00.00"	59° 36' 53.36"
2	50° 20' 00.00"	59° 20' 00.00"
3	49° 50' 00.00"	59° 20' 00.00"
4	49° 50' 00.00"	59° 50' 00.00"
5	50° 10' 10.30"	59° 50' 00.00"
6	50° 11' 05.02"	59° 46' 44.10"
7	50° 12' 15.57"	59° 45' 31.64"
8	50° 12' 51.56"	59° 46' 44.48"
9	50° 13' 25.91"	59° 46' 30.88"
10	50° 13' 03.12"	59° 45' 26.32"
11	50° 13' 57.75"	59° 44' 37.14"
12	50° 14' 44.27"	59° 45' 51.38"
13	50° 15' 21.30"	59° 44' 52.52"
14	50° 16' 49.03"	59° 43' 04.13"
15	50° 17' 31.27"	59° 42' 27.41"
16	50° 17' 38.01"	59° 39' 42.98"
17	50° 18' 19.43"	59° 38' 19.45"
18	50° 18' 56.34"	59° 38' 08.61"
19	50° 19' 28.00"	59° 37' 41.28"
20	50° 19' 35.06"	59° 37' 16.62"
21	50° 20' 00.00"	59° 36' 53.36"

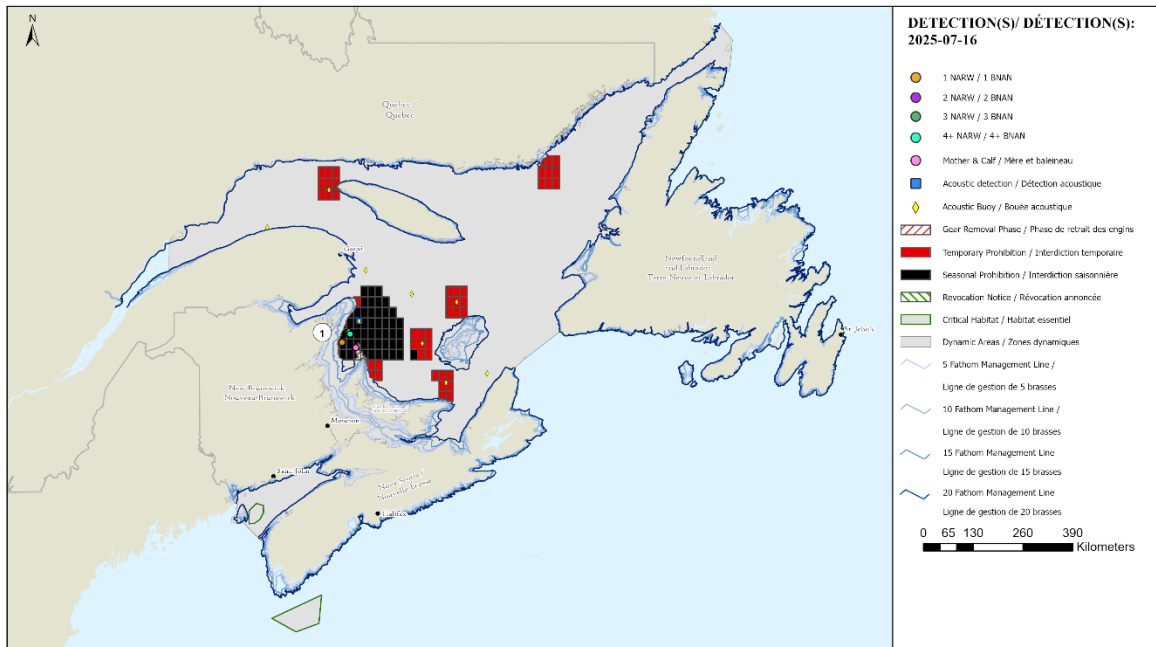
Table 6: Coordinates representing the contour of the prohibited fishing grid(s) in the waters **West of Anticosti**

Points	Position*	
	North Latitude (N)	West Longitude (W)
1	50° 10' 00.00"	65° 00' 00.00"
2	50° 10' 00.00"	64° 30' 00.00"
3	49° 54' 45.71"	64° 30' 00.00"
4	49° 54' 35.80"	64° 30' 25.56"
5	49° 54' 16.71"	64° 30' 36.29"
6	49° 54' 05.23"	64° 31' 02.76"
7	49° 53' 36.91"	64° 31' 38.30"
8	49° 53' 22.84"	64° 32' 01.26"
9	49° 52' 30.76"	64° 32' 40.37"
10	49° 52' 19.05"	64° 32' 56.69"
11	49° 52' 05.30"	64° 33' 09.22"

12	49° 52' 21.24"	64° 33' 29.66"
13	49° 52' 38.58"	64° 33' 55.31"
14	49° 52' 46.43"	64° 33' 57.07"
15	49° 52' 38.29"	64° 34' 05.72"
16	49° 52' 16.77"	64° 34' 08.80"
17	49° 51' 46.80"	64° 34' 14.52"
18	49° 51' 48.56"	64° 34' 38.95"
19	49° 51' 26.84"	64° 34' 41.65"
20	49° 51' 06.57"	64° 34' 42.97"
21	49° 50' 58.34"	64° 34' 19.07"
22	49° 50' 57.84"	64° 33' 53.26"
23	49° 50' 47.80"	64° 33' 51.56"
24	49° 50' 25.77"	64° 32' 57.07"
25	49° 50' 25.28"	64° 32' 12.93"
26	49° 49' 11.51"	64° 30' 13.96"
27	49° 49' 00.08"	64° 30' 09.27"
28	49° 48' 56.10"	64° 30' 00.00"
29	49° 40' 00.00"	64° 30' 00.00"
30	49° 40' 00.00"	65° 00' 00.00"
31	50° 10' 00.00"	65° 00' 00.00"

*Area enclosed by rhumb lines (similar to straight lines plotted on a nautical chart) joining the points listed above in the order they are listed. Point references are based on the geodesic system North American Datum 1983 (NAD83). Positions are expressed in degrees, minutes and seconds.

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INTERDICTIONS POUR LA BALEINE NOIRE DE L'ATLANTIQUE NORD 2025

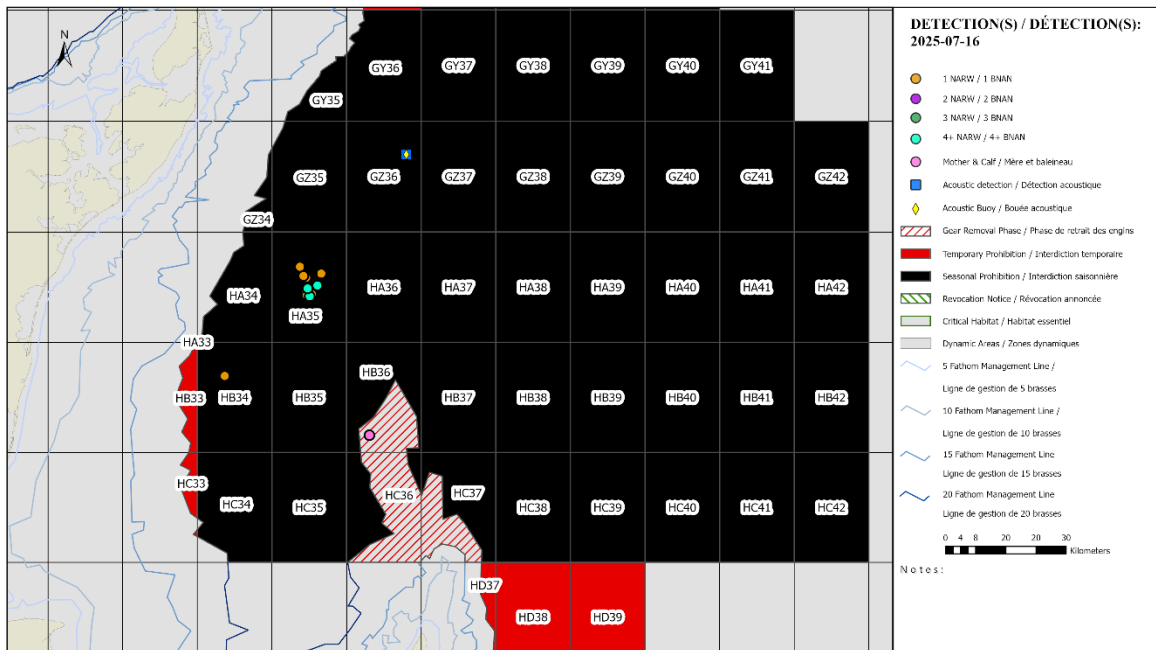


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2025 NORTH ATLANTIC RIGHT WHALE PROHIBITIONS - ANNEX 1
INTERDICTIONS POUR LA BALEINE NOIRE DE L'ATLANTIQUE NORD 2025 - ANNEXE 1



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Map representing all prohibited fishing grids in Eastern Canada related to the detection of NARW
(The above map has no legal bearing and is provided for visual reference only.)

July 17, 2025

For more information:

Please visit the [Interactive map on the latest right whale observations](#) for regular updates.

Annex 1 – Gulf of St Lawrence – NARW related fishing prohibitions in effect

New information related to prohibited fishing grid(s)

Fishing prohibition(s) for the following grid(s) will commence on **July 21, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.**:

- ****Portion of grid(s) HB36, HC36, HC37**

****Portion of grid(s) between 15 and 20 fathom shallow water management line**

DFO is providing a **96-hour** delay for the above prohibited fishing grid(s) due to the weather forecast. All affected gear must be removed from the prohibited fishing area before the specified time, and no new gear is permitted to be set in the water after the notice is issued.

Due to a repeat detection within days nine to fifteen of a 15 day dynamic fishing prohibition period, the following grid(s) will be placed into a seasonally prohibited fishing status starting today until **November 15, 2025**:

- Full grid(s) **HB34, HC35**
- ***Portion of grid(s) GZ34, HA34, HC34, HC36, HC37**

***In the portion of the grid where the water is deeper than 20 fathoms.**

The following grid(s) are temporarily prohibited for fishing until further notice in the Gulf of St Lawrence:

- Full grid(s) **GK64, GL31, GL32, GL33, GL62, GL63, GL64, GM31, GM32, GM62, GM63, GM64, GN31, GN32, GW49, GW50, GW51, GX49, GX50, GX51, GY49, GY50, HA44, HA45, HA46, HB44, HB45, HB46, HC45, HC46, HD38, HD39, HE39, HE47, HE48, HE49, HF48, HF49**
- Portion of grid(s) **GK62, GK63, GM33, GN33, GX36, GY51, HA33, HB33, HC33, HD37, HE37, HE38, HG48, HG49**

The following grids are seasonally prohibited for fishing until November 15, 2025, in the Gulf of St Lawrence:

- Full grid(s) **GW37, GW38, GW39, GX37, GX38, GX39, GX40, GY37, GY38, GY39, GY40, GY41, GZ36, GZ37, GZ38, GZ39, GZ40, GZ41, GZ42, HA35, HA36, HA37, HA38, HA39, HA40, HA41, HA42, HB34, HB35, HB37, HB38, HB39, HB40, HB41, HB42, HC35, HC38, HC39, HC40, HC41, HC42, HC44**
- Portion of grid(s) **GY35, GY36, GZ34, GZ35, HA34, HB36, HC34, HC36, HC37**

The fishing prohibitions are in effect for the following fisheries when the fishing seasons are open in the Gulf, Newfoundland & Labrador, and Quebec Regions:

- Snow crab
- Toad crab
- Rock crab
- Lobster
- Whelk
- Greenland halibut (fixed gear)
- Winter flounder (fixed gear)
- Bait (fixed gear)
- Sea urchin (fixed gear)
- Herring (trap net)

The fishing prohibitions will also be in effect for Atlantic halibut (fixed gear), mackerel (gillnet) and herring (gillnet) when gear is left unattended.

Annex 2 – Bay of Fundy – NARW related fishing prohibitions in effect

There are no prohibited fishing grids related to NARW in the Bay of Fundy.

Annex 3 – Roseway Basin Critical Habitat – NARW related fishing prohibitions in effect

There are no prohibited fishing grids related to NARW in the Roseway Basin Critical Habitat.

Annex 4 – Outside of the dynamic and critical habitat areas – NARW related fishing prohibitions in effect

There are no prohibited fishing grids related to NARW outside of the dynamic and critical habitat areas.