



fish4future® - LIST OF CRITERIA FOR WILD-CAUGHT SEAFOOD

Criteria used to evaluate the sustainability of fish4future® products
Please attach the respective documents.

Wild Catch

FISH SPECIES:
SCIENTIFIC NAME:
CATCH REGION (land, sea, FAO¹ fishing grounds):
CATCH METHOD:
DATE:

1 – Population Status / Species

No.	Requirements Please attach the respective documents.	Yes/ No	Comments
1.1a	Is the species threatened by extinction? Sources: IUCN Red List of Threatened Animals (Species listed as threatened on the Red List based on a current evaluation are not included in the fish4future® labeling process.)	If YES, exclusion	
1.1b	Is the population considered as overfished or depleted? Sources: FAO, regional fishery authorities, national research institutes (populations that are overfished or depleted are not included in the fish4future® labeling process.)	If YES, exclusion	

¹ Food and Agricultural Organization



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	process.)		
1.2	Is the species a large marine predator such as tuna, marlin, swordfish, etc.? (fish4future® distances itself from the consumption of top predators for a) psychological reasons, b) health reasons and c) in view of the global population development and status)	If YES, exclusion	
1.3	Is the species a reef fish?	If YES, exclusion	
1.4	Is the species a deep-sea fish?	If YES, exclusion	
1.5	Are any catch methods damaging the environment used (beam trawl / bottom trawl, drift gillnet, dredge)	If YES, exclusion (If it can be proven that environmental impacts (by-catch, seabed, and others) for the mentioned fishing methods are negligible due to new, modern fishing methods, then go to point 1.6.)	
1.6	Is the species listed in the WWF Seafood Guide (or in an equivalent, reliable seafood guide, such as the Monterey Bay Seafood Watch program for North America)?**	If NO, go to Para. 1.11	
1.7	Is the species categorized in the WWF Seafood Guide (or equivalent) under "green/recommended"?**	If YES , fish4future®	



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1.8	Is the species categorized in the WWF Seafood Guide (or equivalent) under "yellow/think twice"?*	If YES, go to Para. 1.10	
1.9	Is the species categorized in the WWF Seafood Guide (or equivalent) under "orange/think twice"?** *Further evaluation by fish4future® is possible in cases where the WWF evaluation "orange" refers exclusively to the environmental aspect and where serious actions are taken for a sustainable development.	If YES, exclusion*	
1.10	Is the species categorized in the WWF Seafood Guide (or equivalent) under "red/avoid"?**	If YES, exclusion	
1.11	Does the fish carry a recognized label (Fair-Fish, FOS, Krav, MSC, etc.)?	If YES, fish4future® If NO, go to Section 2)	

2 – LEGISLATION

No.	Requirements Please attach the respective documents.	Yes/ No	Comments
2.1	Is there any basic legislation which regulates measures to promote responsible fishery?	If NO, exclusion	
2.2	Are there any monitoring and sanctioning systems that have already been implemented and function?	If NO, exclusion	

3 – FISHERY MANAGEMENT

No.	Requirements Please attach the respective documents.	Yes/ No	Comments
3.1	Is a well-organized fishery management available (e.g. controls by authorities, compliance with scientifically defined catch	If NO, exclusion	



	quotas, immediate shutdown of a fishery whose bycatch is too large or who tends to catch too many juvenile fish, etc.)?		
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4 – DOCUMENTATION

No.	Requirements <i>Please attach the respective documents.</i>	Yes/ No	Comments
4.1	Is there any documentation ² on the following aspects: a) current population status b) regulation of catch quotas c) catch statistics d) historical population developments e) closed seasons f) catch zones g) external, scientific evaluations of the above points h) others	<i>If no documents are available, then exclusion</i> If three or more documents are available, go to Para. 4.2.	
4.2	Do the available documents allow an evaluation of sustainability, i.e. of responsible, sustainable fishing?	<i>If NO, exclusion</i>	

5 – BYCATCH

No.	Requirements <i>Please attach the respective documents.</i>	Yes/ No	Comments
5.1	Is emphasis put on minimizing bycatch or using it in an ecologically meaningful way? - use of selective, modern fishing methods - landing of bycatch - registration of bycatch - favorable usage of bycatch	<i>If NO, exclusion</i> If three or more measures are fulfilled, go to Section 6.	

² List is not comprehensive.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - sanctions in case of infringements/noncompliance - Fishing management allows immediate shutdown of a fishery whose bycatch numbers are too high or who catches too many juvenile fish. - Bycatch < 10% - Other means 		
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6 – ENVIRONMENTAL INFLUENCE

No.	Requirements	Yes/ No	Comments
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6.1	<p>Are measures available to reduce or minimize negative environmental influences by the fishery / fishing methods?</p> <p>a) compliance with measures for protected areas</p> <p>b) protection of the seabed (catch methods which influence the seabed are not allowed unless it can be proven that such influence is small).</p> <p>c) application of eco-friendly catch methods</p>	<p>If NO, exclusion</p> <p>If YES, fish4future</p>	



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fish4future® Principles

The fish4future® principles specify the overall philosophy of the label in addition to the criteria for wild catch and aquaculture.

Additional Comments :

Our evaluation:

According to our evaluation, the fish4future® criteria are fulfilled and based on our inspection and on the documents made available to us we hereby recommend that q.inspecta certifies the product *name (Latin name), origin* as a fish4future® product.

We hereby confirm the above statements and grant certification based on the knowledge contained therein.

Association fish4future®

Name:

Date:

Signature and Seal:

q.inspecta

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Date:

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