

KEY QUESTIONS REMAINING TO FULLY DEVELOP EACH ALTERNATIVE

The following appear to be the key issues that need to be resolved to complete the range of alternatives that the SaMTAAC will recommend the Council forward for analysis.

Gear Specific QP Alternative (Action Alternative 1)

What percent of QP will be issued as trawl only at the start of the year?

State where will this percent will be specified (in the FMP)?

What should the criteria be for Qualifying Requirement Option b?

Gear-Switching QS Alternative (Action Alternative 2)

This will be the first time the committee has seen this alternative fully developed.

What should the criteria be for QS Account Qualification Option B?

Gear Switching Endorsement and Allowance (Action Alternative 3)

What should the gear-switching endorsement qualification options be?

What should the limit options be for

Endorsement Limit Option 1

Non-endorsed vessels

How might limits be adjusted year-to-year?

Endorsement Limit Option 1: how are limits applied when there are midyear permit transfers?

(See Footnote 14).

What happens when a vessel reaches its sablefish gear switching limit for the year? No further gear switching or require sablefish discarding? (See Footnote 15)

For the Transferability/Expiration Options 1 and 2, how should ownership changes be defined? (See Footnote 16)

Gear Switching Endorsement Only (Action Alternative 4)

None (might want more evaluation of other qualifying criteria).