Agenda Item C.5
Supplemental Attachment 5
September 2021

SAMTAAC RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE: GRAPHIC SUMMARY

Alternative 1: Gear Specific QP

Trawl-Only QP
Any-Gear QP

All QS Accounts

Gear Specific QP Options

Option 1
70% Trawl-only QP
30% Any-gear QP

Option 2
90% Trawl-only QP
10% Any-gear QP

90/10 option requires Opt-Out (SaMTAAC Recommendation)

Legacy Opportunity: Opt-out Option

Qualifying LE Permit
Owners Designate
Opt-out QS Account

Opt-Out QS Account
Receives 100% Any-Gear QP

QS can be added and qualify for any-gear QP (up to 3% limit)

Expires with new ownership

Conversion Date Option

Trawl-Only QP Becomes Any-Gear QP

Option 1
Aug 1

Option 2
Sept 1

Option 3
After Dec 31

Other Provisions

- Gear specific QP percentages would be set in the FMP
- Vessels with both types of QP choose which to use
Alternative 2: Gear Switching Endorsement

Any Permit: 0.5% Gear Switching Limit

Legacy Opportunity: Gear Switching Endorsement

Qualifying LE Permits

Option 1

Gear Switching Limit: Historic Average for Permit

Option 2

Gear Switching Limit: 4.5% (261k in 2020)

Endorsement Expiration

Option 1

With New Ownership

Option 2

No Expiration

Overages reduce a permit's following year gear switching limit

Option

Overages will not reduce the permit's following year limit.

Other Provisions

Permit transfers
- The annual gear switching limit applies to the permit and follows with it when the permit transfers.

Sequential Registration
- Non-endorsed permits: vessels may not exceed the 0.5% limit by sequentially registering with non-endorsed permits.
- Endorsed permits: Whether to allow sequential registering of endorsed permits is an open question.

Permits combination to achieve a larger size endorsement:
- If one permit has a gear switching endorsement the resulting permit will have a gear switching endorsement.
- If both permits have a gear switching endorsement, only the larger of the two endorsements survives.
**Alternative 3: Active Trawlers**

**Active Trawlers: 1 Percent Gear Switching Limit (58k lbs in 2020)**

**Vessels Qualify Annually**
(once qualified, active trawler status in place for remainder of year and all of following year)

**Owners of Qualifying Vessels**

designate a permit for exemption.

**Overages reduce a permit's following year gear switching limit**

Option

**Overages will not reduce the permit's following year limit.**

Option

**Exemptions expire with new owner(s)**

...or 12 years after regulations are implemented, whichever comes earlier.

**Exemption Gear Switching Limit: 0.6% or amount of QS owned by qualifying vessel owner.**

(0.6% = 35k lbs in 2020)

**Legacy Opportunity: Active Trawler Requirement Exemption**

**Neither Active Trawler Nor Exempt: Discard Sablefish Caught While Gear Switching**

**Other Provisions**

- Backstop: Limits will be adjusted such that active trawlers do not take more than 10 percent in total. Similarly, exempted permits as a group will not be allowed to take more than 10 percent.
- For the exempt vessel gear switching limit based on QS, QS must have been owned continuously since control date (Sept 15, 2017). Exception for QS account replacement.
- QS owners can replace vessel after implementation and still qualify for QS based limit.
- Exempted vessel that are active trawlers get the higher limit.

**Exempted permit transfers**

- The annual gear switching limit applies to the permit and follows with it when the permit transfers.
- Non-active trawlers may not exceed the 0.6% limit by sequentially registering exempted permits.