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# Changing Stock Status from Known to Unknown

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Council Coordinating Committee  
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# Overview

- Procedural Directive: Guidance for changing stock status from known to unknown.
- Overview: Guides internal decisions
- Goals:
  - Remove ambiguity
  - Address difficult decisions
  - Transparent, smooth, and consistent decisions



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# Scenarios

- a. Changes to management units
- b. Aging assessments
- c. Stock assessment fails to provide a status recommendation
  - c1. Reject new attempt, accept previous assessment model
  - c2. Reject new attempt, use the previous assessment results (with no new data)
  - c3. Reject new assessment, flawed previous model
- d. Stock assessment deviates from SDC specified in the FMP



# Scenario a

## Changes to management units



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# Scenario b

## Aging stock assessment

Older assessment no longer reflects status



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# Scenario c

Stock assessment fails to provide a status recommendation

- c1. Reject new attempt, accept previous assessment model
- c2. Reject new attempt, use the previous assessment results (with no new data)
- c3. Reject new assessment, flawed previous model



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# Scenario d

Stock assessment deviates from SDC specified in the FMP



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# Next Steps

- Procedural Directive review
- Adoption by the agency



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