

Terms of Reference Development Timeline



Estimated Timeline

(time before start of assessment)



1. Species Selected

Species selected for stock assessment at **SEDAR Steering Committee** and added to SEDAR project grid.

SEDAR Steering Committee
Winter (February or March)
~1.5 years



2. SSC Component Recommendations

The **SSC** provides feedback on desired assessment components.

Science and Statistical Committee
Spring (April)
~1.25 years



3. Statement of Work

Council staff develop statement of work (SoW) using SSC component recommendations. SoW presented at **council meeting**.

Council Meeting
Summer (June)
~1 year



4. Component Negotiations

Components from SoW are negotiated between council staff and SEFSC.

SEFSC and SAFMC Negotiations
Summer and Fall



5. Terms of Reference

Terms of reference (ToRs) are developed using negotiated components. ToRs are presented at **SSC meeting**.

Science and Statistical Committee
Fall (October)
~8 months



6. SEDAR Publishes ToRs

ToRs are then presented at the **council meeting**. Once approved by the council, the ToRs are sent to SEDAR to be posted.

Council Meeting
Winter (December)
~6 months