

Recording and reporting discards

Many species of shark, skate and ray are **Data Limited**.

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This may result in precautionary management, such as a reduction in available TAC or designation as a zero TAC or Prohibited species.

2

Discard information reported by fishermen improves knowledge on data limited species.

3

This information can improve understanding of stocks, inform stock assessments and could - in time - contribute to a less precautionary approach to management.

Blue Skate
Dipturus batis
max length: 150cm

Useful information (where practical)

- ▶ Species name
- ▶ Location caught
- ▶ Quantity discarded (estimate)
- ▶ Discarded alive or dead



All estimated discards shall be recorded in the vessel logbook.¹



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¹ Regulation (EU) No. 2015/812.

