

**41st ANNUAL MEETING OF NAFO - SEPTEMBER 2019****Amend NAFO CEM Annex II.J**

At the 2019 STACTIC Intersessional meeting the Chair of JAGDM presented STACTIC WP 19-19, a proposal originally presented in JAGDM to help clarify the number of characters in the Fishing Gear (GE) data element in Annex II.D of the NAFO CEM by changing the type from Char*3 to Char*5.

It was noted that the codes in footnote 1 of Annex II.J were no longer relevant so STACTIC agreed that the working paper be revised to delete footnote 1 in Annex II.J of the NAFO CEM. This working paper reflects the change as agreed to at the 2019 STACTIC Intersessional meeting.

Proposed Amendments**Annex II.J
Gear Codes**

Gear Categories	Standard Abbreviation Code
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TRAWLS	
Bottom trawls	
Beam trawls	TBB
Otter trawls ¹	OTB
Pair trawls	PTB
Nephrops trawls	TBN
Shrimp trawls	TBS
Bottom trawls (not specified)	TB
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¹ Fisheries agencies may indicate side and stern bottom and side and stern midwater trawls, as OTB-1 and OTB-2, and OTM-1 and OTM-2, respectively.

Renumber remaining footnotes accordingly.

