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## Tagging Activities Reported for the Northwest Atlantic in 1994

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At the 1974 Annual Meeting of ICNAF's Standing Committee on Research and Statistics, it was recommended that fisheries laboratories be requested to report to the Secretariat details of tag releases in the Northwest Atlantic and that the Secretariat promptly circulate the information and also collate the material received each year for presentation to the Annual Meeting. NAFO, since 1980, has carried on the practice. Tagging information provided from 1975 to 1993 were compiled and presented in ICNAF Sum. Doc., 76/VI/28, 77/VI/19, 78/VI/19, 79/VI/21 and NAFO SCS Doc. 80/VI/7, 81/VI/6, 82/VI/4, 83/VI/8, 84/VI/5, 85/4, 86/3, 87/8, 88/7, 89/06, 90/11, 91/7, 92/8, 93/7 and 94/7.

Information received at the Secretariat regarding tagging carried out during 1994 were circulated in NAFO Circular Letters 94/72, 94/85, 94/92, and 94/103. Each of the circular letters contained a reminder that reports on tag releases should be forwarded to the Secretariat as soon as possible after the tagging was carried out.

A summary of tagging activity in 1994 by species, country and division is given in Table 1, and details of 1994 tagging are given in Table 2. The ranges of serial numbers listed do not always reflect the precise number of tags used, as the national reports sometimes indicated that a few tags were missing from the series used. The following reported tagging in 1994.

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Table 1. Summary of reported tagging information for 1994.

Species	Country	Div.	No. of tags
Greenland halibut (Reinhardtius	Canada (Q)	<b>4</b> T	1 818
hippoglossoides)	Denmark (Greenland)	1A	436
Winter flounder (Pseudopleuronectes americanus)	Canada (M)	SA 4	1 604
Grey seals (Halichoerus grypus)	Canada (Q)	. 4T, 4Vn	2 383
Harp seals ( <i>Phoca groenlandica</i> )	Canada (Q)	4T	425
Hooded seals (Cystophora cristata)	Canada (Q)	4T	169

Table 2. List of tagging activities reported to the Secretariat for 1994.

Species	Country	Div.	Location or Position	Dates .	Types of tags used	Range of Serial numbers	No. of Tags
Greenland halibut Ca (Reinhardtius hippoglossoides)	Canada(Q)	4T	St. Lawrence Estuary (49°16'N 67°35'W)	Aug	Orange T-bar	QD 2001-2019	15
			Gulf of St. Lawrence (49°18'N 65°10'W)	Sep	•	2025-2339 2651-2675	252
	·		St. Lawrence Estuary (48°35'N 68°40'W)	Oct	•	3001-4000 4201-4450 4801-4916 9028-9275	1551
	Denmark(G)	1A	73°30'N 55°50'W 72°53'N 55°22'W 69°56'N 51°13'W 69°21'N 51°11'W 70°24'N 51°14'W	16 Jul 94 21 Jul 94 28 Jul 94 04 Aug 94 16 Aug 94	Yellow T-bar  • • • • • •	DA 4 22593-22697 22698-22760 22761-22908 22909–22979 22980-22999 25725-25753	105 63 148 71 20 29
Winter flounder (Pseudopleuronect americanus)	Canada(M) tes	SA4	Main Harbour North Arm South Bar Opposite Sysco	Jun •	Yellow Blue Pink Red	00001-00990 03601-03722 02201-02629 03801-03863	990 122 429 63
Grey seals Canada(Q) (Halichoerus grypus)		4Vn	Hay Island	26 Jan	Dalton ROTOTAGS	M3710 to M3796 M3821 to M3886 M4801 to M5000 Y1521 to Y1599 W4128 to W4190 W4372 to W4400 X1546 to X1566 X1834 to X1900	79 66 199 79 63 29 19
				1 Feb	Dalton ROTOTAGS	X2460 to X2500 X2605 to X2644 X3901 to X3976	41 40 71
		<b>4</b> T	St. Georges Bay, N.S.	6. Jan	Dalton ROTOTAGS	M3701 to M3708 M3887 to M3900 W2253 to W2400 W2491 to W2500 W2888 to W2900 W2968 to W3400 W4005 to W4371 X63 to X100 X1568 to X1700 X1734 to X1800 X1828 to X1833 X2001 to X2100 X2401 to X2459 X2501 to X2604 X2646 to X2692 X2901 to X3038 X3981 to X4000	6 14 148 10 12 432 308 35 133 67 6 100 59 105 47 128 20
Harp seals (Phoca groenland	Canada(Q) dica)	4T	Gulf of St. Lawrence	Mar	Dalton ROTOTAGS	X853 to X900 X4001 to X4096 X4142 to X4200 X4401 to X4585 X4701 X4802 to X4838	47 96 59 185 1 37

Table 2. (continued)

Species	Country	Div.	Location or Position	Dates	Types of tags used	Range of Serial numbers	No. of Tags
Hooded seals	Canada(Q)	4T	Gulf of St. Lawrence	Mar	Dalton ROTOTAGS	M4407 to M4484	78
(Cystophora cristata)					· X2237	1	
					X4097 to X4099	3	
					X4801	1	
	•				X4839 to X4855	16	
					X4931 to X5000	70	