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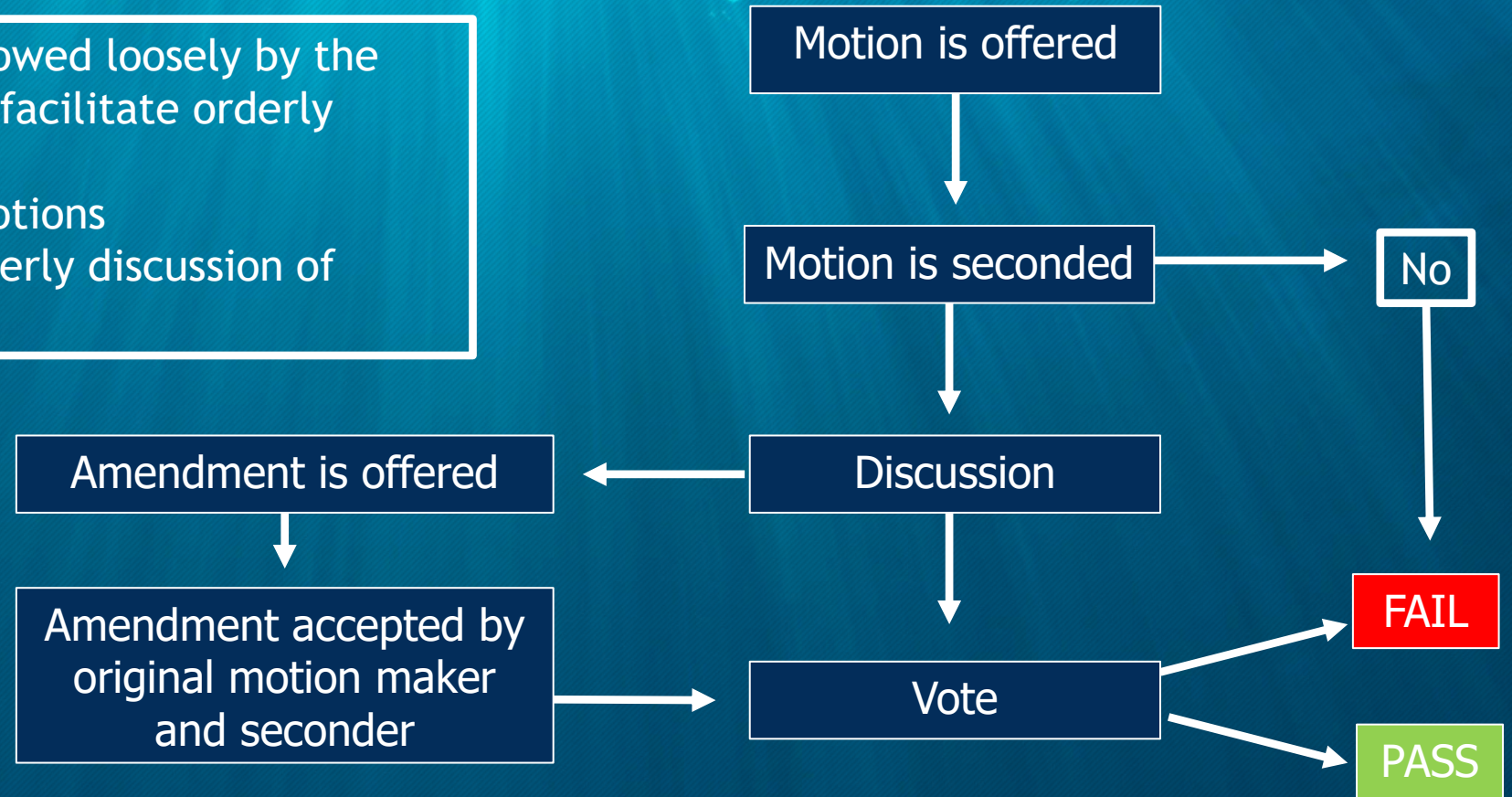


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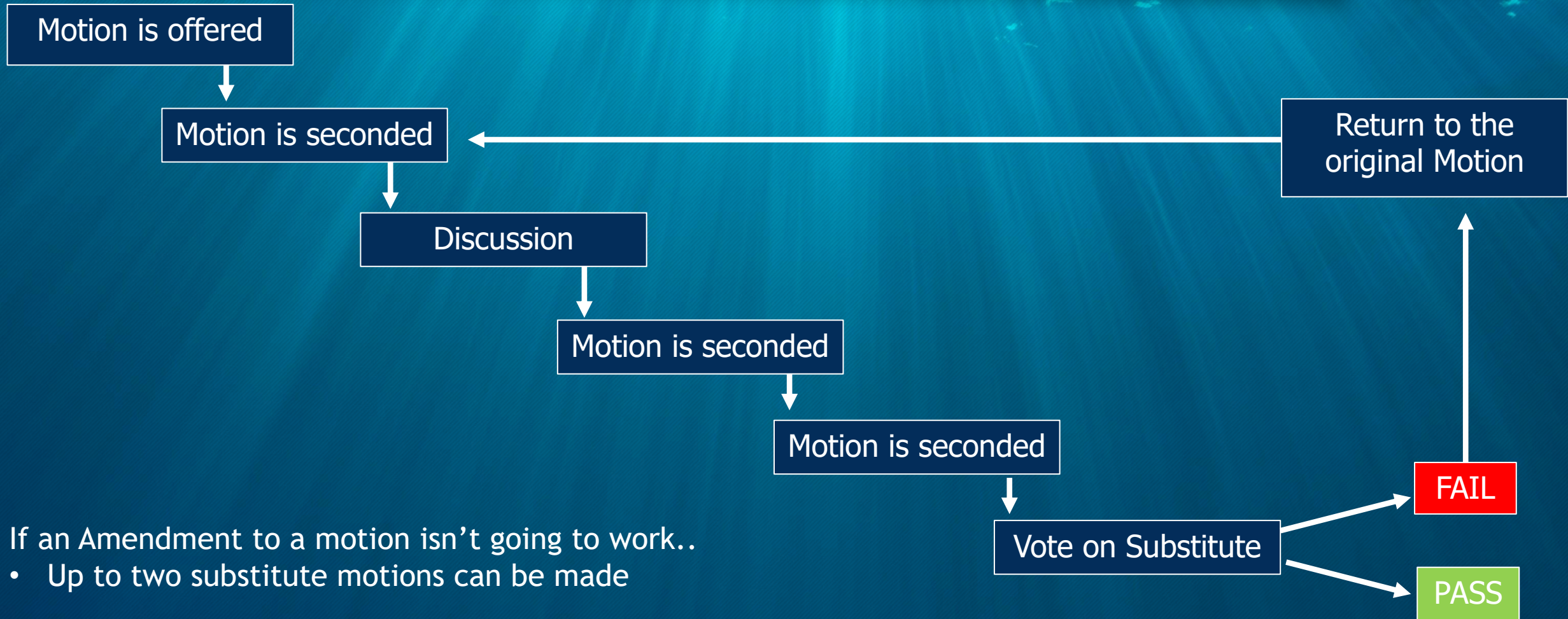
Roberts Rules: Simple Motion Flowchart

Roberts Rules of Order are followed loosely by the Council and Advisory Panels to facilitate orderly meetings.

- Decisions are made using motions
- Roberts Rules facilitates orderly discussion of topics



Roberts Rules: Substitute Motions



If an Amendment to a motion isn't going to work..

- Up to two substitute motions can be made

Travel: Meeting Authorization



GULF OF MEXICO FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
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Meeting Authorization No. 24-030		Managing Fishery Resources in the U.S. Federal Waters of the Gulf of Mexico
Please include this number on expense reports claiming reimbursement for expenses incurred consequent to this Meeting Authorization.		
As stewards of taxpayer dollars, it is the Department of Commerce and Gulf Council's responsibility to manage its travel funds prudently and efficiently -from the DOC Travel Department-		
Purpose of Travel: OMFMC AUGUST 2024 Council Meeting Monday, August 19 - Thursday, August 22, 2024, 8:00am - 5pm CDT		
Destination: Biloxi, MS		Location: Gulfstream Hotel
Begin Period of Travel on or About: August 18, 2024		End Period of Travel on or About: August 23, 2024
Name of Traveler	Origin of Travel	Persons authorized to perform travel for the Gulf Council are expected to exercise the same care in incurring expenses that a prudent person would exercise if traveling on personal business. Travel expenses for which reimbursement will be made will be confined to those expenses essential to the transacting of official business. Travelers are encouraged to submit travel reimbursement forms no later than 60 days from the last date of the meeting, otherwise expenses may not be reimbursed. Travelers may petition the Executive Director for reconsideration of reimbursement. The per diem and actual subsistence rates established by GSA apply. We're going GREEN! You will no longer need to return this form with your expense claim.
Kevin Anson, Chair	Gulf Shores, AL	
Kelsey Berntz	Corpus Christi, TX	
Billy Brunsard	Kaplan, LA	
Dave Donaldson	Ocean Springs, MS	
Johnathan Dugas, Vice Chair	Lafayette, LA	
Troy Frady	Lilian, AL	
Thomas Frazer	Gainesville, FL	
Darius Geeslin	Austin, TX	
Michael McDermott	Biloxi, MS	
Jason Osborne	Waveband, MS	
Anthony Overton	Birmingham, AL	
John Sanchez	Palmto Bay, FL	
Chris Schriebe	New Orleans, LA	
Joe Sempage	Biloxi, MS	
Christopher Sweetman	Marathon, FL	
Ed Walker	Holaday, FL	
Troy Williamson	Corpus Christi, TX	
Carrie Simmons	Riverview, FL	
John Froeschle	Brandon, FL	
Alicia Diagne	Tampa, FL	
Lisa Hollensead	Dunedin, FL	
Ryan Rindone	Tampa, FL	
Walt Freeman	St. Petersburg, FL	
Emily Huestissen	Outport, FL	
Bernie Roy	Valrico, FL	
Jessica Melos	Spring Hill, FL	
Lisa Brinsong	St. Petersburg, FL	
Verena Wang	St. Petersburg, FL	
Cathy Pereira	Tampa, FL	
SSC Rep		
IE Rep		
LETC Rep		
Comments:		
		Daily M&IE 69.00
		Daily Lodging 107.00 Group Rate
		Total MDR 166.00
		Tax Rate 0.00%
Authorizing Official: <i>Kenny DeBeauvoir</i> Date: 7.11.24		
24-09 Department of Commerce		

The Meeting Authorization will provide the following details:

- Authorized dates of travel
- Meeting dates and location
- Daily lodging and M & IE allowances



Travel: Reimbursement

- Claims should be submitted within 60 days upon conclusion of a meeting
- Fill in your name, address, MA # and dates of travel
- Enter authorized expenses and include necessary receipts with your claim; parking, taxi, tolls
- Indicate date/time your travels started and ended
- SIGN and date claim form
- Travel expense reports may be submitted via U.S. mail, fax, or email

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NAME									
MAILING ADDRESS									
MA #									
In accordance of taxpayer dollars, it is the Department of Commerce and the Gulf Council's responsibility to manage its travel funds prudently and efficiently.									
PLEASE do not claim expenses paid for by the Council.... only claim expenses you paid for. Thank you!									
A.		DEPARTURE DATE		RETURN DATE		FARES			
ORIGIN	FINAL DESTINATION	ORIGIN	FINAL DESTINATION						
F	DATE								
L	TIME								
I	PLACE								
G	<input type="checkbox"/> Check "X" here if tickets were purchased through AirTrav					Baggage Fees/			
H	Transportation by common carrier, airfare, etc. (receipt required)					Meal			
T	REMARKS:					\$ -			
S						\$ -			
B.		DATE	FROM	TO	# MILES	MILEAGE @ .67¢	Tolls	Airport / Hotel Parking	Subtotal
F					0	\$ -			\$ -
O					0	\$ -			\$ -
V					0	\$ -			\$ -
\$ -									
C.		DATE	FROM	TO	Taxi / Kioskfare	TIP (Max 20%)	Shuttle	TIP (Max 20%)	Subtotal
S									\$ -
H									\$ -
A									\$ -
T									\$ -
V									\$ -
L									\$ -
E									\$ -
Enter DAY(s) of Week									
Enter DATE(s)									
D.		Subtotal							
M	Daily MAIE Per Diem (Meals & Incidentals only)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -									
E.		Subtotal							
L	Lodging (Receipt required)								\$ -
D	Lodging Taxes								\$ -
I	Total Lodging & Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -									
F.		Subtotal							
O	Rental Car (with receipt & agreement-permitting required)								\$ -
T	Misc. Exp. (Gas, registration fees, etc.) Pls. describe								\$ -
H	TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES								\$ -
\$ -									
COMMENTS: (Please explain any changes in authorized dates of travel, method of transportation, origin of travel and/or changes in normal travel pattern to assist with evaluating expenses for reimbursement. A cost comparison should be requested in advance for any variations in travel to receive reimbursement allowance.)									TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM
									\$ -
									LESS ADVANCE
									\$ -
									NET FOR REIMBURSEMENT
									\$ -
Total travel time from origin of travel to destination and return.									
I certify that the time stated herein is correct and that the travel claimed was essential in carrying out official Gulf Council business. I further certify that expenses claimed represent valid costs incurred and do not include items of a personal nature. Costs claimed herewith will not be processed elsewhere which would result in dual reimbursement.									
Started:	TIME (am or pm)	Month	Day						
Ended:	TIME (am or pm)	Month	Day						
				SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT				DATE	
								1/10/2024P	

Reef Fish Amendment 59A IFQ Permit Requirements



March 2025

Purpose and Need

Purpose: The purpose of this action is to update the goals and objectives of the red snapper and grouper-tilefish IFQ programs and to revise requirements to participate in the IFQ programs.

Need: The need for action is to promote participation by entities engaged in the harvest of reef fish species included in the IFQ programs and improve opportunities for new participants to enter the IFQ programs through considering requirements for obtaining an IFQ account and holding and obtaining shares and allocation.



Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Improve opportunities for participants to enter the program

Objectives:

- To evaluate the merits of limiting share ownership and implement, if appropriate, alternative mechanisms for equitably redistributing shares and allocation to accounts harvesting IFQ species.
- Limit share ownership (maintaining and obtaining shares) to accounts that are harvesting IFQ species
- Identify barriers inhibiting or limiting participation by surveying participants and those wanting to enter the fishery
- Recover and redistribute IFQ shares and allocation held previously by a deceased shareholder to accounts of fishermen currently harvesting IFQ species.
- Create an allocation bank to reduce barriers to fishing privileges



Goals and Objectives (2)

Goal 2: Reduce IFQ discards

Objectives:

- Improve collection of discard information from IFQ vessels
- Create an allocation bank to further reduce bycatch and discards of IFQ species
- Evaluate additional or new flexibility measures to reduce discards

Goal 3: Maintain flexible fishing options and economic stability within the IFQ Programs

Goal 4: Increase IFQ market transparency (eliminates information asymmetries)

Goal 5: Reduce costs per unit harvest



Red Snapper Shareholder Accounts

Year	Total	With Shares		Without Shares	
		#	%	#	%
2007	596	554	93%	42	7%
2008	547	497	91%	50	9%
2009	530	474	89%	56	11%
2010	598	461	77%	137	23%
2011	589	439	75%	150	25%
2012	599	438	73%	161	27%
2013	598	421	70%	177	30%
2014	606	399	66%	207	34%
2015	635	397	63%	238	37%
2016	639	385	60%	254	40%
2017	639	388	61%	251	39%
2018	650	377	58%	273	42%
2019	624	346	56%	277	44%
2020	644	339	53%	305	47%
2021	625	342	55%	282	45%
2022	619	336	54%	283	46%
2023	624	352	56%	272	44%

Grouper-Tilefish Shareholder Accounts

Year	Total	With shares		Without Shares	
		#	%	#	%
2010	816	765	94%	51	6%
2011	833	756	91%	77	9%
2012	812	701	86%	111	14%
2013	786	659	84%	127	16%
2014	795	639	80%	156	20%
2015	835	620	74%	215	26%
2016	842	655	78%	187	22%
2017	872	644	74%	228	26%
2018	878	656	75%	222	25%
2019	819	603	74%	216	26%
2020	833	600	72%	233	28%
2021	824	590	72%	234	28%
2022	798	589	74%	209	26%
2023	790	556	70%	234	30%

Action 1: Requirements to Open and Maintain Shareholder accounts

Alternative 1 (No Action): Do not establish new requirements to obtain or maintain an IFQ shareholder account. To open and maintain an IFQ shareholder account, the applicant must be a United States citizen, a corporation, partnership, or other entity established under the laws of the United States or any State, or a permanent resident alien.

Alternative 2: In addition to the US citizenship or permanent residency requirement, all applicants are required to possess a valid or renewable commercial reef fish permit to **obtain** an IFQ shareholder account (first 5 years of IFQ programs)

Preferred Alternative 3: In addition to the US citizenship or permanent residency requirement, all applicants are required to possess a valid or renewable commercial reef fish permit to **obtain and maintain** an IFQ shareholder account

IFQ Shareholder Accounts

Shareholder Accounts	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Average 2019-2023
with Allocation	899	912	902	879	879	894
with Shares	679	673	667	662	692	675
with Permits	608	609	588	566	555	585
with Landings	431	426	414	388	388	409
with Shares and Permits	408	387	370	363	344	374
with Shares but no Permit	271	286	297	299	348	300

Dealer Accounts

Year	Dealer Accounts	Dealer accounts processing landings	Dealers accounts with shareholder accounts		Dealers accounts with shareholder accounts and with permits	
2020	177	124	84	47%	64	36%
2021	165	118	78	47%	60	36%
2022	166	112	80	48%	60	36%
2023	163	107	79	48%	68	42%

Dealers with shareholder accounts but without a permit decreased from 20 to 11

Action 2: Requirements to Obtain and Maintain IFQ Shares

Alternative 1 (No Action): Do not set requirements to obtain or maintain IFQ shares. Any United States citizen, corporation, partnership, or other entity established under the laws of the United States or any State, or permanent resident alien can obtain or maintain IFQ shares

Alternative 2: Only those who meet the US citizenship or permanent residency requirement and with a valid or renewable commercial reef fish permit can **obtain** IFQ shares

Alternative 3: Only those who meet the US citizenship or permanent residency requirement and with a valid or renewable commercial reef fish permit can **obtain** or **maintain** IFQ shares

Action 3: Requirements to Obtain Annual Allocation

Alternative 1 (No Action): Do not set requirements to obtain or maintain IFQ annual allocation. Any United States citizen, corporation, partnership, or other entity established under the laws of the United States or any State, or permanent resident alien can obtain or maintain IFQ annual allocation.

Alternative 2: Only those who meet the US citizenship or permanent residency requirement and with a valid or renewable commercial reef fish permit can **obtain** IFQ annual allocation.

Action 4: Divestment Measures for Non-Compliant Entities

Alternative 1 (No Action): Shareholder accounts must be compliant with the requirements set in Actions 1, 2, and 3 by the effective date of a final rule implementing these requirements, or their shares will be reclaimed by NMFS.

Preferred Alternative 2: NMFS will reclaim shares from shareholder accounts that are not compliant with requirements set in Actions 1, 2, and 3:

Preferred Option a: 1 year following the effective date of the final rule implementing these requirements

Option b: 2 years

Preferred Alternative 3: After implementation of this amendment, if a shareholder account is no longer in compliance with the requirements set in Actions 1, 2, and 3, the owner(s) of the shareholder account must divest of their shares, or the shares will be reclaimed by NMFS:

Preferred Option a: 1 year following the non-compliant status.

Option b: 2 years following the non-compliant status.