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Word List

<i>ab initio</i>	baseband	Cedex
abundance-at-age	baseline	cf. (meaning compare)
Acknowledgements	Basin (Arkona Basin, etc.)	Chair (not Chairman, Chairperson, etc.)
acoustics (sing.)	beach-seine	Chinook salmon
<i>ad hoc</i>	beam trawl	Chi-square(d) or χ^2
<i>ad libitum</i> (or <i>ad lib.</i>)	beam width	chlorophyll <i>a</i> (Chl <i>a</i>)
adsorbed onto	biased	clear-cut
age class (age-class estimate, etc.)	billion (specify whether 10^9 or 10^{12})	coastal-zone developments, etc.
age group (age-group analysis, etc.)	bioeconomic	codend
age-length key, etc. (n-dash, not hyphen)	biogeochemistry	coefficient of variation (<i>CV</i>)
ageing	bioindicator	cold water (cold-water species, etc.)
allmani	biomarker	continental shelf
allochthonous	BioSonics	Continuous Plankton Recorder (CPR)
along-front gradients, etc.	blind zone	cooperate
alongshelf	blue ling	coordinate
alongshore	blue whiting	copepodid
analyse	bongo net	copepodite
analysis of variance (ANOVA)	bottom-set gillnets	cosponsor
anticlockwise (prefer to counterclockwise)	bottom trawl (bottom-trawl sample, etc.)	counterclockwise (use anticlockwise)
anticyclonic	bottom water (bottom-water temperature, etc.)	countercurrent
antifouling	breakpoint	covariance
<i>a priori</i>	broadband	covernet
Arctic	broodstock	cpue
area (ICES Area)	build-up	cross section
ash-free biomass, etc.	bw d ⁻¹ (not bw.d ⁻¹)	cross shelf
autochthonous	bycatch	Current (Atlantic Current, Coastal Current, etc.)
autotransformer	ca.	
	cal g ⁻¹ d ⁻¹ (not cal.g ⁻¹ .d ⁻¹)	data (pl.)
backscattering	<i>Calanus</i>	databank
backwater	Cape anchovy	database
bagnet	carapace length (CL)	dataseries
Baltic Proper (Eastern Baltic, Southern Baltic, etc.)	castnet	dataset
bandpass filter	catch-at-age	day(s) (d); (5 d; but an 8-day-old fish; fish were 7–8 days old)
bandwidth	catch in number	daylength
	catch per unit effort (cpue)	

daytime	Equation (1) (use parenthesis), but note that not all mathematical displays are Equations	fold (no hyphen in twofold, threefold, ... tenfold, but 11- fold, etc.)
dead zone		food chain
decision-making/maker		foodweb
deep sea (deep-sea species, etc.)	Equations (1) – (8)	footrope
deep-towed transducer	<i>et al.</i>	fork length (L_F)
deep water (deep-water species, etc.)	eutrophied	Forsskål
<i>de facto</i>	<i>ex ante</i>	forward-scatter (but backscatter)
density-dependent	<i>ex officio</i>	f-ratio
depoliticize	<i>ex post</i>	freezer-trawler
destratification	extremum, extrema	freezing point
d.f.	eyespot index	freshwater – as noun and adj.
digitize	far field (far-field data, etc.)	fykenet
dipnet	Faroe Bank	
discernible/discernibly	Faroe Islands (or Faroes)	gases
division (ICES Division Ia, etc.)	fast-flowing	Gdańsk
downstream	fauna (pl.)	gillnet
downtime	feedback	gillraker
Dr	fibreglass	glassfibre
drift ice	fieldwork	gonadosomatic index (I_G)
driftnet	Figure (not Fig.)	goodness-of-fit
dual-beam transducer	Figures 3–7	grain size
Dungeness crab	filter-feeder	gramme (g)
	finfish	groundfish
echogram	first-feeding	groundgear
echo integral	fish (sing. and pl.)	groundrope
echo integrator	fish bone	growouts
echolocation	fisher(s), not fisherman/men	growth rate (growth-rate studies, etc.)
echosounder	fish-farm effluents, etc.	
echotrace	fish farming	half-life
eco-label(ling)	fishing effort (f)	hand-held
eel farm	fishing mortality (F)	handline
eelgrass	fishmeal	headrope
egg size (egg-size relationship, etc.)	fishoil	headwater
eigenvector	fjord	hepatosomatic index (I_H)
elasmobranch(s)	flatfish	highgrading
<i>El Niño</i>	flowfield	highpass filter
e-mail	flowmeter	hook and line
endpoint	Floy Anchor tags	hour(s) (h); (12-h period, etc.)
ensonify (use insonify)	fluorimeter	hydroelectric
	focused/focusing	

hypertrophic	kilogramme (kg)	metre (m, unit of measurement; also centimetre, cm, and millimetre, mm)
i(th) species	knots	microeconomic
ice cover	Kristiania	microlevel
ice coverage	Krøyer	micrometre (μm); (not micron)
ICES Area	Lacépède	micronekton
ICES Division Ia	land-based	microorganism
ICES Subarea I	<i>La Niña</i>	microsecond (μs)
ICES Subdivision Ia ₂	lanternfish	mid-1950s, etc.
ICES Working/Study Group (capitalized when referring to the full name of the group, lower case elsewhere)	least-squares method	Mid-Atlantic Ridge
incoming	length-at-age	mid-January, etc.
indices (not indexes)	length frequency	mid-ocean
infrared	(length frequency analysis, etc.)	midpoint
<i>in situ</i>	life cycle	midstream
insonify (not ensonify)	life history	midsummer
in-stream	lifespan	midterm
<i>inter alia</i>	lightvessel (LV Star, etc.)	midventral
interannual	linefish, linefishery, linefishing	midwater trawl
interarea	litre (l)	minute(s) (min); (10-min period, etc.
interdisciplinary	logbook	misidentify
interrelationship	lognormal	misreport
interrenal	longline	Miss, Ms, Mr
interspecies	longshore	modelling
interstock	long term (long-term data, long- and short-term data, etc.)	mole (mol)
intertidal	long time-series	monofilament
<i>in toto</i>	LV (not L/V)	MSc thesis
intra-annual	lux	multibeam transducer
intraspecies	m s^{-1}	multidisciplinary
<i>in utero</i>	macroalgae	multifleet
<i>in vacuo</i>	macroscale	multifrequency
<i>in vitro</i>	Mann–Whitney	multilayered
<i>in vivo</i>	match–mismatch	multiplexer
Isaacs–Kidd	maturity-at-age	multispecies
Island (Gotland Island, etc.)	mediterranean areas	multiyear
jackknife	Mediterranean Sea	Murmansk (not Murman)
keyword	Member Countries (ICES and EU)	<i>n</i> (not capital)
kHz	mesoscale	NAFO 2J + 3KL (spacing)
	meter (measuring device)	nanoplankton
	métier(s)	narrowband

narrowbeam	overexploit	preweighed
natural log (ln) (lognormal)	overfish	proactive
nautical mile (not nmi)	overrule	Professor (spell out)
n.d. (no data)	overruns	program (computer usage)
nearfield	oversimplify	programme (except for computer usage)
nearshore	overwintering	pulsewidth
near-surface captures, etc.		purse-seine
netplankton	<i>p</i> , probability (not capital)	
netsonde	pairtrawler	quotes (use double quotes and single within double: “ ‘ ’)
night-time	pairwise	
no.	parameterization	
non-	parentheses	<i>r</i> , <i>r</i> ² (correlation, not capital)
North Atlantic (Northeast Atlantic, Northwest Atlantic, but northern Atlantic)	per cent (%); percentage	ratios (use colon not solidus)
northeast, northwest (no hyphens)	<i>per se</i>	reapply
northern cod	personal communication (pers. comm.)	recirculate
northern hemisphere	PhD thesis	red giant shrimp
north–northeast, etc.	phytoplankton (sing.)	red sea bream (not Red Sea bream)
Norwegian Coastal Current	Polar Front	redirect
Novaya Zemlya	Polar Water	redistribution
n.s.	Pielou evenness index (not Pilou)	redistributive
numerals (spell out one to ten except before measurements, quantities, etc.: 3 mm, 10 l)	policy-making/maker	refit
	polychaete	reintroduce
	polynya	reopen
	post-hatching	resample
ocean-going vessel	<i>post hoc</i>	research vessel (RV “G. O. Sars”, etc.)
ocean ranching	post-larval	restructure
offbank	post-smolt	ringnet
offshore winds, etc.	post-spawning	rock-hopper(s)
offspring	post-war	run-off
omnidirectional	poundnet	RV (not R/V)
onbank	practice (noun)	
on board, but on-board (adj.)	practise (verb)	<i>S</i> _{A_{tot}} (total density)
one-year-old (n.) (a one-year-old fish; a fish that was one year old)	preamplifier	salinity (S); (dimensionless quantity: use psu or no unit)
ongoing	precaudal length (L _{PC})	salmonids
onshore winds, etc.	precautionary approach	saltfish
otter trawl	precautionary principle	saltmarsh
outcompete	precondition	salt water (but saltwater species)
outermost	prerecruits	sandeel
overcatch	prespawning	SCANMAR
overestimate	pre-war	

scarelines	soft-bottom community	subgroup
scatterplot	sound-scattering data, etc.	sublegal
scoopnet	southeast, southwest (no hyphens)	sublethal
scuba	southern hemisphere	sublittoral
s.d.	south–southeast, etc.	submodel
s.e.	spawning–stock biomass (SSB) n-dash	suboptimal
sea age	species (sing.: sp.; pl.: spp.)	subpolar
sea bass	species-specific	subregion
seabed	spillover	subsample
seabird	Spitsbergen	subsection
seaboard	split-beam echosounder, etc.	subset
sea bream	spring (not springtime)	substock
seafood	spring spawner (spring-spawning herring, etc.)	subtidal
sea ice	standard deviation (s.d. or σ)	subtropical
sea ranching	standard error (s.e.)	swimbladder
sea surface temperature (SST)	standard length (L_S)	
seawater	standard seawater	tanglenet
seaweed	states, US (spell out in body text; use two-letter postal-code style in authors' addresses)	Tanner crab
second(s)	state-of-the-art	target-strength measurement
Section 4	Station 3 (Stn 3)	TACs
semi-diel	<i>status quo</i> forecast	target strength (<i>TS</i> italics as abbreviation and symbol)
semi-diurnal	steelhead trout	temperature (T)
semi-pelagic	Steemann Nielsen	three-dimensional
<i>sensu</i>	stepwise	through-flow
setnet	stereomicroscope	time (02:05, 14:05, etc.)
shallow water (shallow-water species, etc.)	stern trawler	time-dependent
Shelf (Labrador Shelf, etc.)	stock–recruit(ment) relationships	time-frame
shelf break	Student's <i>t</i> -test	time-lag
shelf edge	Study Group (ICES)	time-scale
short term (short-term data, etc.)	Subadult	time-series
<i>sic</i>	Subantarctic	time-step
sideband	Subarctic	time-trend
sidescan sonar	Subpolar Front	tonne(s) (t); (metric; but long ton, gross ton, etc.)
side trawler	Subpolar Gyre	total allowable catches (TACs)
Simrad	subarea (ICES Subarea IV, etc.)	total length (L_T)
single-scattering data, etc.	subcommittee	total-stock biomass (TSB)
size class	subdivide	towfish
size frequency distribution, etc.	subdivision (ICES Subdivision IVa, etc.)	townet
Skagerrak		trade-off
slope water		trammelnet
socio-economic		

transatlantic	virtual population analysis (VPA)	Whatman
transcontinental	von Bertalanffy (not cap v on von, except at beginning of sentence)	wideband
transpacific		windfield
trapnet	vs.	windforcing
trawl-net	warm-core eddy	windspeed
<i>t</i> -test, Student's	warm water (warm-water species, etc.)	windstress
UK	waterbody/ies	winter (not wintertime) winter spawner (winter-spawning herring, etc.)
ultrastructure	water column	working group
ultraviolet	waterline	worldwide
underestimate	water mass	
underreport	wavelength	<i>x</i> -axis
underrun	wave number	X-ray
underutilize	wave rider	
underwater	wave train	<i>y</i> -axis
underway	wave vector	year(s) (not y or yr)
update	weathership	year class (year-class strength, year-class-abundance fluctuations, etc.)
upriver	website	year-round
US	week(s) (wk)	year-to-year
USSR	weight (wt)	yolk sac (yolk-sac larvae, etc.)
Väisälä	weight-at-age	
vessel names (set off with double quotes, not italic: RV Scotia)	weight per age	
vice versa (not italics)	Western stock (mackerel; cap W)	zooplankton (sing.)
	wetfish trawler	

Other usage

1990s	20 m min ⁻¹	Commas. Use the series/Oxford comma before the <i>and</i> in series of three or more names or units (A, B, and C). Do not use a comma before the <i>and</i> when there are only two names or units (A and B).
1991/1992	20 mm net	
1991–1993 (n-dash, not hyphen)	20 m depth; 20 m deep	
19 July 2000	09:00, 20:05 (time)	
19–21 July or from 19 to 21 July (not from 19–21 July)	0-group (zero, not letter O)	
1000; 1 000; 10 000. In text : do not insert space in a four-digit number (1000), but in tables : do insert space (1 000). In both text and tables : do insert space to separate thousands in five-digit and larger numbers (10 000). Do not insert full stops or commas.	69°21'N 19°06'E (space and not comma between latitude and longitude)	Long-, medium-, and short-term analysis (repeat hyphens)
	2.1 g dry wt m ⁻² d ⁻¹	-ize, -iza-, -izi-. Use z-spelling (see Oxford University Press dictionaries).
	d ⁻¹ , h ⁻¹ , min ⁻¹ , s ⁻¹ , l ⁻¹ , year ⁻¹ , etc.	No apostrophe after ICES in possessive (ICES address)
	t × 10 ⁻³	

Prefixes and suffixes with or without hyphens

To determine whether prefixes and suffixes require a hyphen, for words not included in the ICES Word List, consult the Oxford Dictionary of English or the New Oxford Spelling Dictionary.

If OED doesn't give the spelling of a word with a prefix or suffix, the following list shows OED's tendency.

These recommendations are not absolute, and care should be taken. Add a hyphen when necessary to avoid confusion. Some words are hyphenated to distinguish them from other words that would otherwise be homographs, such as "recreation" (fun or sport) and "re-creation" (in forensics), or "predate" (what a predator does) and "pre-date" (to be of an earlier calendar date).

Generally, OED favours the following prefixes **without** hyphens.

along	meso
auto	multi
bi	over
bio (but bio-indicator)	pair
co (but co-author, co-host, co-pilot, co-occur, co-sponsor, co-tidal line, co-worker)	post
de	pre (but pre-date (be earlier in time), predate (prey on), pre-war)
eco (but eco-label(ling))	pseudo
intra	re (but re-creation (create something again), recreation (enjoyable leisure activity), re-emerge)
inter	
long	stereo
macro	sub
micro	tri
mid (but mid-ocean, mid-January, mid-1950s)	ultra
mis	under

Generally, OED favours the following prefixes **with** hyphens.

non-
semi-

Use a hyphen with "time-", i.e. time-series (but timescale).

Use a hyphen with "-based", i.e. family-based.

Use a hyphen with "-wide"

Nets

Names of nets are written as compound words. An exception is bongo net (note lower case b).
Purse-seine retains the hyphen.

bagnet	setnet
covernet	scoopnet
dipnet	tanglenet
driftnet	townet
fykenet	trammelnet
gillnet	trapnet
poundnet	trawlnet
ringnet	

Italics

The following are always italicized and without hyphen.

<i>ab initio</i>	<i>in toto</i>
<i>ad hoc</i>	<i>in utero</i>
<i>ad libitum (or ad lib.)</i>	<i>in vacuo</i>
<i>a priori</i>	<i>in vitro</i>
<i>de facto</i>	<i>in vivo</i>
<i>El Niño</i>	<i>La Niña</i>
<i>et al.</i>	<i>per capita</i>
<i>ex ante</i>	<i>per se</i>
<i>ex officio</i>	<i>post hoc</i>
<i>ex post</i>	<i>sensu</i>
<i>in situ</i>	<i>sic</i>
<i>inter alia</i>	<i>status quo</i>

Always italicize the *x* and *y* in *x*-axis and *y*-axis, and *t* in *t*-test.