

ICES Word list



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

covariance	drift ice	Faroe Islands (or Faroes)
covernet	driftnet	fast-flowing
CPUE	dual-beam transducer	fauna (pl.)
cross section	Dungeness crab	feedback
cross shelf		fibreglass
Current (Atlantic Current, Coastal Current, etc.)	echogram	fieldwork
	echo integral	Figure (not Fig.)
	echo integrator	Figures 3–7
data (pl.)	echolocation	filter-feeder
databank	echosounder	finfish
database	echotrace	first-feeding
dataseries	eco-label(ling)	fish (sing. and pl.)
dataset	ecoregion	fish bone
day(s) (d); (5 d; but an 8-day- old fish; fish were 7–8 days old)	eel farm	fisher(s), not fisherman/men
daylength	eelgrass	fish-farm effluents, etc.
daylight (preferred to daytime)	e.g. (not italicized, two fullstops, no spaces)	fish farming
days-at-sea (as unit)	egg size (egg-size relationship, etc.)	fishing effort (<i>f</i>)
dead zone	eigenvector	fishing mortality (<i>F</i>)
decision-making/maker	elasmobranch(s)	fishmeal
deep sea (hyphenated if used as an adjective: deep-sea species, etc.)	<i>El Niño</i>	fishoil
deep-towed transducer	e-mail	fjord
deep water (hyphenated if used as an adjective: deep- water species, etc.)	endpoint	flatfish
<i>de facto</i>	ensonify (use insonify)	flowfield
density-dependent	Equation (1) (use parenthesis), but not all mathematical displays are Equations	flowmeter
depoliticize	Equations (1) – (8)	Floy Anchor tags
destratification	<i>et al.</i>	fluorimeter
d.f.	eutrophied	focused/focusing
digitize	<i>ex ante</i>	fold (no hyphen in twofold, threefold, ... tenfold, but 11- fold, etc.)
dipnet	<i>ex officio</i>	food chain
discernible/discernibly	<i>ex post</i>	foodweb
division (ICES Division 27.1.a, etc.)	extremum, extrema	footrope
downstream	eyespot index	fork length (L_F)
downtime		Forsskål
downwelling	fact sheet	forward-scatter (but backscatter)
Dr	far field (far-field data, etc.)	<i>f</i> -ratio and <i>F</i> -ratio
	Faroe Bank	freezer-trawler
		freezing point
		freshwater (as noun and adj.)

FV (fishing vessel; not F/V)	ICES Subdivision 27.1.a.2 (27 can be excluded if it is clear that it is an ICES Area)	Kristiania Krøyer
Fykenet		
gases	ICES Working/Study Group (capitalized when referring to the full name of the group, lower case elsewhere)	Lacépède
Gdańsk		land-based
gillnet		<i>La Niña</i>
gillraker	i.e. (not italicized, two fullstops, no spaces)	lanternfish
glassfibre		least-squares method
gonadosomatic index (I_G)	incoming	length-at-age
goodness-of-fit	indices (not indexes)	length frequency (length frequency analysis, etc.)
grain size	infrared	life cycle
gramme (g)	<i>in situ</i>	life history
groundfish	insonify (not ensonify)	lifespan
groundgear	in-stream	lightvessel (LV “Star”, etc.)
groundrope	<i>inter alia</i>	linefish, linefishery, linefishing
growouts	interannual	litre (l)
growth rate (growth-rate studies, etc.)	interarea	logbook
Gulf of Lion (not Gulf of Lions or Gulf of Lyon)	interdisciplinary	lognormal
	interrelationship	longline
	interrenal	longshore
half-life	interspecies	long term (long-term data, long- and short-term data, etc.)
hand-held	interstock	
handline	intertidal	long time-series
headrope	<i>in toto</i>	LPUE
headwater	intra-annual	LV (not L/V)
ha (hectare)	intraspecies	lux
hepatosomatic index (I_H)	<i>in utero</i>	
high-resolution(adj.)	<i>in vacuo</i>	
highgrading	<i>in vitro</i>	$m\ s^{-1}$
highpass filter	<i>in vivo</i>	macroalgae
hook and line	Isaacs–Kidd	macroscale
hour(s) (h); (12-h period, etc.)	Island (Gotland Island, etc.)	Mann–Whitney
hydroelectric	<i>i</i> (th) species	maritime spatial planning (MSP, instead of marine spatial planning)
hypertrophic	jackknife	match–mismatch
		maturity-at-age
ice cover(age)	keyword	mediterranean areas
ICES Area	kHz	Mediterranean Sea
ICES Division 27.1.a	kilogramme (kg)	Member Countries (ICES and EU)
ICES Subarea 27.1	knots	

mesoscale	multiyear	onbank
meter (measuring device)	Murmansk (not Murman)	on board, but on-board sampling (adj.)
métier(s)		one-year-old (n.) (a one-year- old fish; a fish that was one year old)
metre (m, unit of measurement; also centimetre, cm, and millimetre, mm)	<i>n</i> (not capital)	ongoing
microeconomic	NAFO 2J + 3KL (spacing)	onshore winds, etc.
microlevel	nanoplankton	open-source (software)
micrometre (µm); (not micron)	narrowband	otter trawl
micronekton	narrowbeam	outcompete
microorganism	natural log (ln) (lognormal)	outermost
microsecond (µs)	nautical mile (not nmi)	Outstanding Achievement Award
mid-1950s, etc.	n.d. (no data)	overcatch
Mid-Atlantic Ridge	nearfield	overestimate
Mid-Atlantic Bight (not Middle Atlantic Bight)	nearshore	overexploit
mid-January, etc.	near-surface captures, etc.	overfish
mid-ocean	netplankton	overrule
midpoint	netsonde	overrun(s)
midstream	night-time	oversimplify
midsummer	no.	overwintering
midterm	non-	
midventral	North Atlantic (Northeast Atlantic, Northwest Atlantic, but northern Atlantic)	<i>p</i> , probability (not capital)
midwater trawl	northeast, northwest (no hyphens)	pairtrawl
minute(s) (min); (10-min period, etc.	northern cod	pairwise
misidentify	northern hemisphere	parametrize/ation
misreport	north–northeast, etc.	parentheses
Miss, Ms, Mr	Norwegian Coastal Current	peer review (hyphenate when used as adj.)
Modelling	Novaya Zemlya	per cent (%); percentage
mole (mol)	n.s.	<i>per se</i>
monofilament	numerals (spell out one to ten except before measurements, quantities, etc.: 3 mm, 10 l)	personal communication (pers. comm.)
MSc thesis		PhD thesis
multibeam transducer		phytoplankton (sing.)
multidisciplinary	ocean-going vessel	Pielou evenness index (not Pilou)
multifleet	ocean ranching	polar front
multifrequency	offbank	polar water
multi-layered	offshore winds, etc.	poleward
multiplexer	offspring	policy-making/maker
multispecies	omnidirectional	

polychaete	bream)	seaweed
polynya	refit	second(s), abbr. as s
post-hatching	reintroduce	Section 4
<i>post hoc</i>	reopen	semi-diel
post-larval	resample	semi-diurnal
post-smolt	research vessel (RV “G. O. Sars”, etc.; NOT R/V)	semi-pelagic
post-spawning	restructure	<i>sensu</i>
post-war	ringnet	setnet
poundnet	rock-hopper(s)	shallow water (shallow-water species, etc.)
practice (noun)	run-off	Shelf (Labrador Shelf, etc.)
practise (verb)		shelf break
preamplifier	S_{Atot} (total density)	shelf edge
precaudal length (LPC)	salinity (S); (dimensionless quantity: do not use unit)	short term (short-term data, etc.)
precautionary approach	salmonids	<i>sic</i>
precautionary principle	saltfish	sideband
precondition	saltmarsh	sidescan
pre-fishery abundance (PFA)	salt water (but saltwater species)	sonar
prerecruits	sandeel	side trawler
prespawning	SCANMAR	Simrad
pre-war	scarelines	single-scattering data, etc.
preweighed	scatterplot	size class
Prix d’Excellence (not Prix d’Excellence Award)	scoopnet	size frequency distribution, etc.
proactive	scuba	Skagerrak slope water
Professor (spell out)	s.d.	socio-economic
program (computer usage)	s.e.	soft-bottom community
programme (except for computer usage)	sea age	sound-scattering data, etc.
pulsewidth	sea bass	southeast, southwest (no. hyphens)
purse-seine	seabed	southern hemisphere
quotes (use double quotes and single within double: “ ‘ ’ ”)	seabird	south–southeast, etc.
r , r^2 (correlation, not capital)	seaboard	spawning-stock biomass (SSB)
ratios (use colon not solidus)	sea bream	species (sing.: sp.; pl.: spp.) species-specific
reapply	seafloor (when it must be used as seabed is ICES standard)	spillover
recirculate	seafood	Spitsbergen
red giant shrimp	sea ice	split-beam echosounder, etc.
redirect	sea ranching	spring (not springtime)
redistribution	sea surface temperature (SST)	spring spawner (spring-
redistributive	seawater	
red sea bream (not Red Sea		

spawning herring, etc.)	subset	trawlnet
standard deviation (s.d. or σ)	substratum/substrata	<i>t</i> -test, Student's
standard error (s.e.)	substrate(s) (genetics)	
standard length (LS)	substock	UK
standard	subtidal	ultrastructure
seawater	subtropical, but Subtropical Gyre	ultraviolet
state-of-the-art	swimbladder	underestimate
states, US (spell out in body text; use two-letter postal-code style in authors' addresses)	TAC (total allowable catch)	underreport
Station 3 (Stn 3)	tallybook	underrun
<i>status quo</i> forecast	Tanglenet	underutilize
steelhead trout	Tanner crab	underwater
Steemann Nielsen	target strength (<i>TS</i> italics as abbreviation and symbol), but target-strength measurement	underway
stepwise	temperature (T)	update
stereomicroscope	three-dimensional	upriver
stern trawler	through-flow	upwelling
stock–recruit(ment) relationships	time (02:05, 14:05, etc.)	US
streamflow	time-dependent	USSR
Student's <i>t</i> -test	time-frame	Väisälä
Study Group (ICES)	time-lag	vessel names (set off with double quotes, not italic: RV "Scotia")
subadult	time-scale	vice versa (not italics)
Subantarctic	time-series	virtual population analysis (VPA)
Subarctic	time-step	von Bertalanffy (not cap v on von, except at beginning of sentence)
subarea (ICES Subarea 27.4, etc.)	time-trend	vs.
subcommittee	tonne(s) (t); (metric; but long ton, gross ton, etc.)	warm-core eddy
subdivide	total allowable catches (TACs)	warm water (warm-water species, etc.)
subdivision (ICES Subdivision 27.4.a, etc.)	total length (L_T)	waterbody/ies
subgroup	total-stock biomass (TSB)	water column
sublegal	towfish	waterline
sublethal	townet	water mass
sublittoral	trade-off	wavelength
submodel	trammelnet	wave number
suboptimal	transatlantic (in sentence, capitalize for group name)	wave rider
subpolar, but Subpolar Front and Subpolar Gyre	transcontinental	wave train
subregion	transpacific	wave vector
subsample subsection	trapnet	weathership

website

week(s) (wk)

weight (wt)

weight-at-age

weight per age

Western stock (mackerel; cap
W)

wetfish trawler

Whatman

wideband

windfield

windforcing

windspeed

windstress

winter (not wintertime) winter
spawner (winter-spawning
herring, etc.)

working group

worldwide

x-axis

X-ray

y-axis

year(s) (not y or yr)

year class (year-class strength,
year-class-abundance
fluctuations, etc.)

year-round

year-to-year

yolk sac (yolk-sac larvae, etc.)

zooplankton (sing.)

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.

Never italicize the abbreviations *i.e.* or *e.g.*

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 English Dictionary (OED) 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	mis
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(to be earlier in time), predate (prey on), pre-war)
eco (but eco-label(ling))	pseudo
geo	re (but re-creation (create something again), recreation (enjoyable leisure activity), re-emerge)
inter	
intra	stereo
ling	sub
macro	tri
meso	ultra
micro	under
mid (but mid-ocean, mid-January, mid-1950s)	

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

non-

semi-

Use a hyphen with “time”, i.e. time-series

Use a hyphen with “-based”, i.e. family-based

Use a hyphen with “-wide”, i.e. nation-wide (but worldwide)