



RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE COMMITTEE ON HUNTING METHODS

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I Terms of Reference

1. The Committee shall, upon request from the Council or individual member countries, provide advice on hunting methods for those species of marine mammals relevant to NAMMCO member countries. The Committee shall ensure that such advice is based on the best available scientific findings, technological developments and traditional knowledge, with due consideration given to safety requirements, animal welfare, efficiency in hunting gears and efficiency of utilization.
2. Members of the Committee may raise specific questions for discussion during meetings of the Committee. The Committee may make proposals to the Council for specific tasks to undertake within its terms of reference.
3. Non-member governments with observer status in NAMMCO may request advice from the Committee through the Council.

II Membership

1. Each NAMMCO member country shall be represented in the Committee and have one vote regardless of number of national representatives.
2. The Committee shall elect from among its members a Chairman and a Vice Chairman, who shall each serve for two years, after which time they may be re-elected.
3. The Committee may also seek outside expertise when the Committee considers this to be necessary and appropriate.

III Observers

1. Attendance of accredited observers shall not be permitted at the meetings of the Committee on Hunting Methods unless otherwise decided by the majority of the Committee and approved by the Council.