

Terms of Reference (ToR) for review and revision of the ASC Shrimp Standard v. 1.1 - Amendment

The ToR for the revision of the ASC Shrimp Standard v.1.0 have been published on the ASC Website for public consultation in November 2018. The purpose of this amendment is to explain the changes made between the ToR and the public consultation on the ASC Shrimp Revision in spring 2020.

ASC Shrimp Standard v.1.1

The ASC Shrimp Standard v.1.0 has been updated in March 2019 in order to meet the ASC style requirements. The actual content of the Standard has however not been changed. The standard under revision is thus now referred to as version 1.1.

Scope of Revision

Principle 2, 5, 6 and 7 were initially listed in to be revised. Principle 5 (Manage Shrimp Health and Welfare in a Responsible Manner) has now been excluded from the revision process as the Technical Working Group (TWG) identified several issues cross-cutting other standards (particularly re. antibiotics). It was thus decided to expand the review of these requirements and include it in the Alignment Project.

The requirements for Biodiversity Environmental Impact Assessments (B-EIA) are also currently under review as part of the Alignment Project. Issues related to the B-EIA were therefore not covered in this Shrimp revision process either. Other parts of Principle 2 have been part of the revision process relating to the addition of freshwater species (see below).

Revisions to Criteria 7.1 and 7.2 has been excluded from the revision of the ASC Shrimp Standard v.1.1 as a result of the development of the ASC Feed Standard.

Freshwater Species – ASC Shrimp Standard v.1.2

The inclusion of freshwater species was not part of the initial review process. The need for freshwater indicators was identified when the work on the draft standard started, explaining why it was not specified in the initial ToR. The first step of adding freshwater species to the ASC Shrimp Standard was a GAP analysis. This was published as an additional document, for clarification purpose, during the public consultation in spring 2020 (“#9 – Gap Analysis – New Crustacean Spp considered for inclusion on ASC Shrimp Standard”).