VISUAL MATURITY SCALE

Anglefish / Lophius sp.

Picture	Sex	Species	First maturity size
	Q	Lophius piscatorius	31 - 58 cm
		Lophius budegassa	24 - 43 cm

A-IMMATURE

FLATTENED GONAD
TRANSPARENT TO
TRANSLUCID GONADS

WITHOUT EGGS

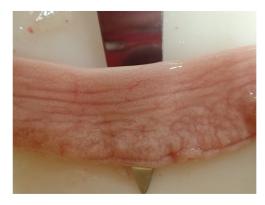




B-DEVELOPING

non-hydrated eggs SOMETIMES visible

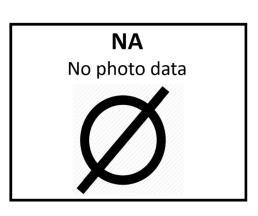
OPAQUE GONADS

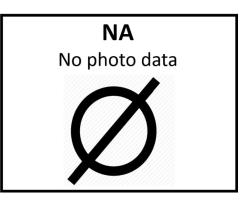




C - SPAWNING

AT LEAST 1 VISIBLE HYDRATED EGG



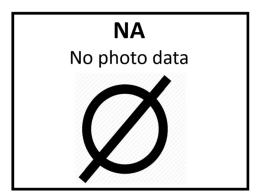


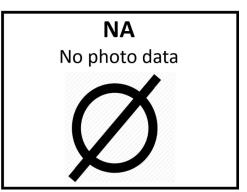
D-REGRESSION/REGENERATION

FEW HYDRATED EGGS STILL PRESENT

FLABBY GONADS AND THICK INNER LAYER

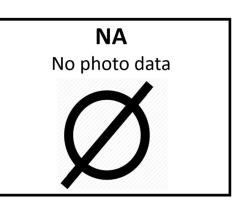
General aspect "stunted"

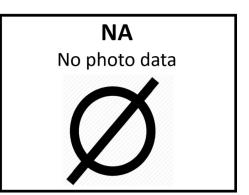




E - OMITTED SPAWNING

NOT DETERMINABLE BY THE EYE





F - ABNORMAL

NECROSIS, SCLEROSIS OR INTERSEX

