

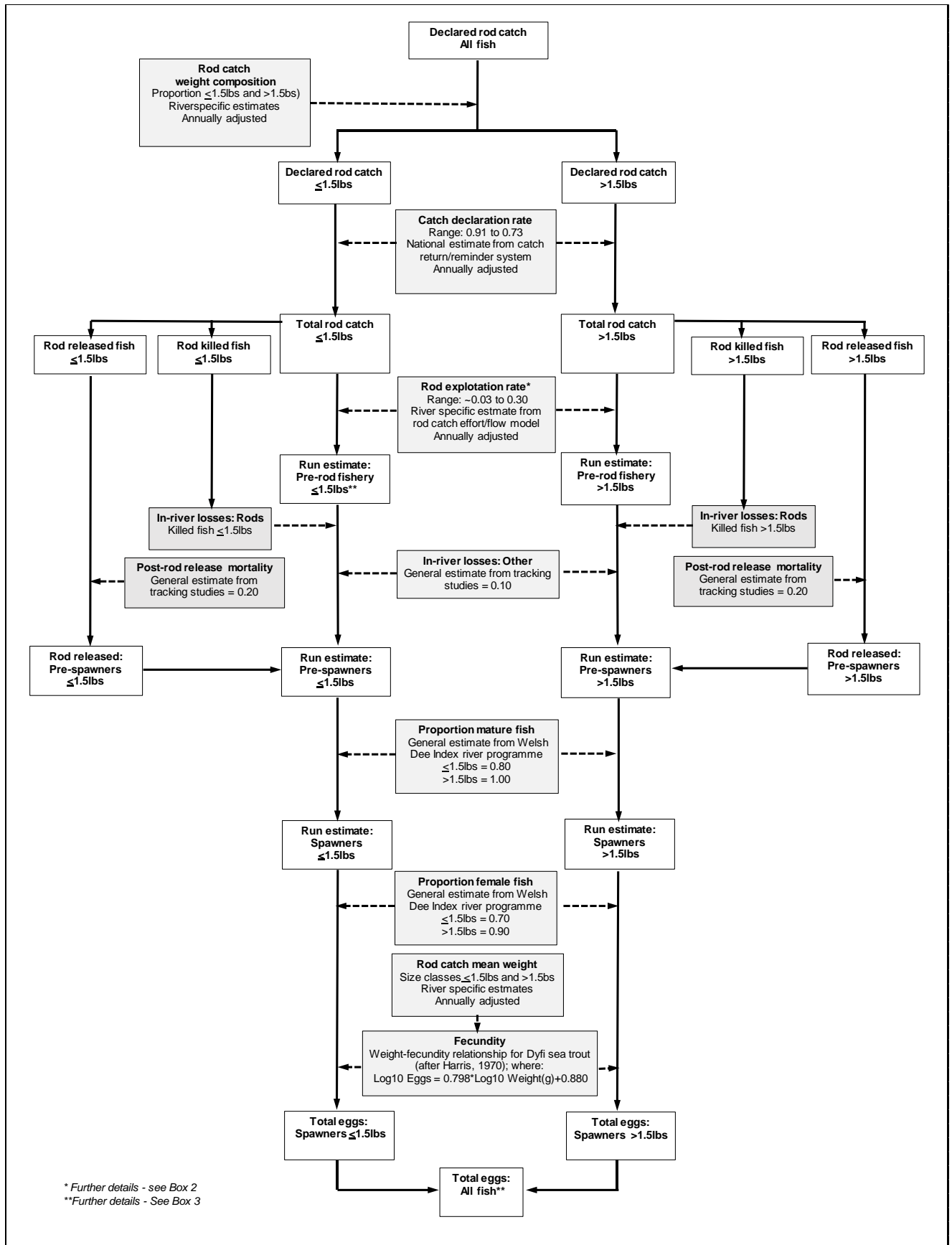
Annex 2

Sea trout stock-recruitment (SR) based assessment.

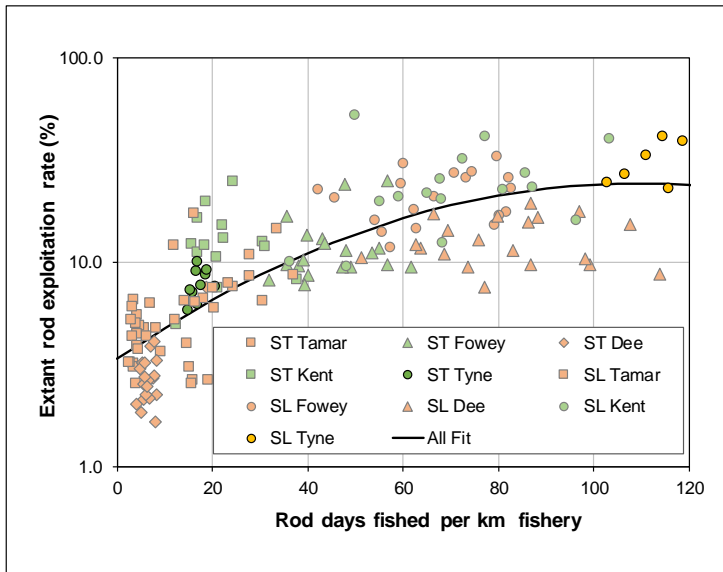
Summary of procedures used to:-

- (i) generate river specific run and egg deposition estimates from rod catch and
- (ii) derive SR curves and associated reference points from these data.

Box 1: Procedures to generate run and egg deposition estimates from rod catch



Box 2. Rod exploitation rate model – based on exploitation rate estimates from counted rivers and utilising angling effort and flow as ‘predictor’ variables.



* Continued from Box 1

Rod exploitation rate*
 Range: -0.03 to 0.30
 River specific estimate from
 rod catch effort/flow model
 Annually adjusted

$$\text{Log}_{10} \text{ Extant rod exploitation rate (\%)} = 0.015888 * \text{Rod days fished per km} - 0.00007552 * (\text{Rod days fished per km})^2 + 0.29255 * \text{Post-July inseason flow index} - 0.0335$$

$R^2=0.718; P<0.001$

Box 3. Application of 'whitling' run (fish $\leq 1.5\text{lbs}$) and egg deposition estimates (all fish) to derive SR relationships and assess CL compliance (Teifi example shown).

