The Government of Canada is working hard to protect shark populations, including the Atlantic shortfin mako.

Here is a timeline of actions:





June

Amended the Fisheries Act to ban the practice of shark finning and the import/export of shark fins that are not naturally attached.



August

Supported the listing under CITES Appendix II of shortfin make as a species that needs close monitoring of any international trade.





April

(Domestically) banned retention of shortfin mako sharks in its Atlantic fisheries.



October

Proposed a ban on retaining Atlantic shortfin makes to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT).

