

Updated May 23, 2018	2018 COMMERCIAL POSSESSION LIMITS FOR COMMONLY HARVESTED SPECIES (pounds/vessel)											
	Jan-18	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>BLACK SEA BASS</b>	500/wk (1/1*)	500/wk	500/wk	750/wk (4/1) 1,000/wk (4/15)	50/day (5/1*)		50/day (7/1*)	CLOSED (8/1*)	50/day (9/15*)		50/day (11/1*)	
<b>BLUEFISH</b>	500/wk (1/1*)	500/wk	500/wk	500/wk 1,000/bi-wk (4/1)*	6,000/wk (5/1)*						500/wk (11/11*)	
<b>MENHADEN</b> In the Menhaden Management Area	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED							
<b>MENHADEN</b> In State Waters outside the Menhaden Management Area	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	120,000/day (4/1)	120,000/day							
<b>SCUP</b> General Category	50,000/day (1/1*)	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	10,000/wk (5/1*)					2,000/day (10/1)*		
<b>SCUP</b> Floating Fish Traps	50,000/day (1/1*)	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	Unlimited (5/1*)							
<b>STRIPED BASS</b> General Category	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED 5 fish/day (5/20)*			5 fish/day (8/5)*				
<b>STRIPED BASS</b> Floating Fish Traps	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	Unlimited (4/1)*	Unlimited							
<b>SUMMER FLOUNDER</b>												
Without a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate	100/day (1/1*)	100/day	100/day	100/day	50/day (5/1*) (closed Fri., Sat., Sun weekly)				100/day (9/16*)			
With a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate	100/day (1/1*)	100/day	100/day	100/day	50/day (5/1*) (closed Fri., Sat., Sun weekly)				100/day (9/16*)			
Weekly (aggregate) limit (permitted vessels only)	CLOSED	1,500/bi-wk (2/4)**	1,500/bi-wk	1,500/bi-wk 1,750/bi-wk (4/15) CLOSED (4/29)	CLOSED (5/1*)							
<b>TAUTOG</b>	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	10 fish/day (4/1)*	10 fish/day CLOSED (5/27)			10 fish/day (8/1)*				

\* Indicates start of a sub-period

\*\* Weekly possession limit only for vessels with a Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program Permit.

For species not identified in this chart, go to the Marine Fisheries webpage at <http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/fish-wildlife/marine-fisheries/mfsizes.php>

For all finfish regulations, go to <http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/rimf3.pdf>