



Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council

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Meeting Notice

Industry Advisory Committee (IAC)

Wednesday, August 21, 2018 – 6:00 PM

URI Narragansett Bay Campus
Coastal Institute Building

Hazard Room

South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI 02835

Agenda

1. **2017 commercial licensing activity - discussion and/or proposals to amend exit/entry ratios for any of the restricted endorsements:**
 - Restricted Finfish
 - Quahog
 - Soft-shell Clam
 - Whelk
2. **Division proposals for amendments to “Part 1 – Definitions and General Provisions” regarding the deletion, amendment and/or addition of terms related to commercial licensing and/or gear.**
3. **Division proposals for amendments to “Part 2 – Commercial and Recreational Saltwater Fishing Licensing Regulations” – September hearing (date tbd):**
 - Proposed addition of a due date for the public availability of the updated Sector Mgmt. Plan (*section 2.7.2(A); p. 7*);
 - Proposed removal of content and due date for the issuance of an annual report to the General Assembly on the conservation and management of marine fisheries resources (i.e., Sector Management Plans) (*former section 2.7.4(B); p. 8*);
 - Proposed removal of requirement that the Department provide a list of reporting requirements at the time of license issuance or renewal to applicants for commercial fishing or dealer licenses or landing permits (*former section 2.7.6(A)(2); p. 9*);
 - Proposed change to requirement regarding the due dates that fishing trips must be documented. Proposal is to change language from “before the start of the next trip” to “prior to landing”, and to re-locate language from

the Paper Catch and Effort Harvester Logbook section to Data Reporting section (proposed new section 2.7.4(D); p. 10);

- Proposed addition of reporting due dates (proposed new section 2.7.4(F); p. 10);
- Proposed removal of requirement that license holders will be notified in writing as to the form of such reports, their content, and the manner in which and frequency with which they are required to be transmitted by December 1 for the following year (former section 2.7.6(B)(2); p. 11);
- Proposed removal of the requirement that the Department be required to issue new licenses within 15 days following the deadline for application submittal (proposed new section 2.7.5(E)(3); p. 18);
- Proposed removal of the requirement that the Department notify license holders of a reporting deficiency via certified mail (proposed new section 2.7.5(E)(3); p. 18);
- Proposed change/clarification of procedure regarding the appeal of a license denial due to medical hardship (proposed new section 2.7.5(H); p. 26);
- Proposed addition of reporting requirements for Party/Charter vessels (proposed new section 2.9.2; p. 45)

4. **Any other matters**

5. **Adjourn**

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