

| Updated September 14, 2023   | 2023 COMMERCIAL POSSESSION LIMITS FOR COMMONLY HARVESTED SPECIES (pounds/vessel) |                                   |                                   |                                   |                                     |   |                                    |  |  |                                   |                   |        |
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|  | Jan  | Feb                               | Mar                               | April                             | May                                 | June  | July                               | Aug  | Sept   | Oct                               | Nov               | Dec    |
| <b>BLACK SEA BASS</b>  | 500/wk (1/1*)  | 500/wk                            | 500/wk<br>750/wk (3/26)           | 750/wk                            | 50/day (5/1)*                       | 50/day<br>75/day (6/4)<br>100/day (6/18)                          | 50/day (7/1)*<br>100/day (7/23)    | 100/day<br>200/day (8/6)<br>50/day (8/16)*<br>200/day (8/16)<br>150/day (8/27) | 150/day (8/27)<br>50/day (9/3)<br><b>CLOSED (9/8)</b><br>100/day (9/16)* | 100/day (10/16)*                  |                   |        |
| <b>BLUEFISH</b>  | 1,000/bi-wk (1/1*)   | 1,000/bi-wk                       | 1,000/bi-wk                       | 1,000/bi-wk                       | 6,000/wk (5/1)*                     | 6,000/wk  | 6,000/wk                           | 6,000/wk   | 6,000/wk   |                                   | 500/day (11/16)*  |        |
| <b>MENHADEN</b><br>In the Menhaden Management Area                         | CLOSED   | CLOSED                            | CLOSED                            | CLOSED                            | CLOSED                              | CLOSED  | CLOSED                             | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | <b>CLOSED</b>                     |                   |        |
| <b>MENHADEN</b><br>In State Waters outside the Menhaden Management Area    | 120,000/day  | 120,000/day                       | 120,000/day                       | 120,000/day                       | 120,000/day                         | 120,000/day   | 120,000/day                        | 120,000/day  | 120,000/day  | <b>120,000/day</b>                |                   |        |
| <b>SCUP</b><br>General Category  | 50,000/day (1/1*)  | 50,000/day                        | 50,000/day                        | 50,000/day                        | Unlimited (5/1)*<br>10,000/wk (5/3) | 10,000/wk   | 10,000/wk                          | 10,000/wk  | 10,000/wk  | <b>10,000/wk</b>                  | 2,000/day (10/1)* |        |
| <b>SCUP</b><br>Floating Fish Traps   | 50,000/day (1/1*)  | 50,000/day                        | 50,000/day                        | 50,000/day                        | Unlimited (5/1)*                    | Unlimited   | Unlimited                          | Unlimited  | Unlimited  | <b>Unlimited</b>                  | 2,000/day (10/1)* |        |
| <b>STRIPED BASS</b><br>General Category                                    | CLOSED   | CLOSED                            | CLOSED                            | CLOSED                            | CLOSED<br>5 fish/day (5/29)*        | 5 fish/day<br>CLOSED (6/13)                                       | 5 fish/day (7/6)*<br>CLOSED (7/18) | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | <b>CLOSED</b>                     |                   |        |
| <b>STRIPED BASS</b><br>Floating Fish Traps                                 | CLOSED   | CLOSED                            | CLOSED                            | Unlimited (4/1)*                  | Unlimited                           | 500/day (8/1)<br>CLOSED (8/13)<br>500/day (6/18)<br>CLOSED (8/26) | CLOSED                             | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | <b>CLOSED</b>                     |                   |        |
| <b>SUMMER FLOUNDER</b>   |  |                                   |                                   |                                   |                                     |   |                                    |  |  |                                   |                   |        |
| Without a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate                         | 100/day (1/1*)   | 100/day                           | 100/day                           | 100/day                           | 200/day (5/1)*                      | 200/day   | 200/day                            | 200/day  | 200/day  | <b>200/day</b><br>200/day (9/16)* |                   |        |
| With a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate                            | 100/day (1/1*)   | 100/day                           | 100/day                           | 100/day                           | 300/day (5/1)*                      | 300/day<br>400/day (6/4)<br>600/day (6/18)                        | 600/day<br>1,000/day (7/23)        | 1,000/day<br>1,500/day (8/13)  | <b>1,500/day</b><br>1,000/day (9/16)                                     |                                   |                   |        |
| Winter I (Jan. 1 - April 30)<br>Aggregate Program (permitted vessels only) | 4,000/bi-wk (1/1)*   | 4,000/bi-wk<br>6,000/bi-wk (2/12) | 6,000/bi-wk<br>8,500/bi-wk (3/26) | 8,500/bi-wk<br>3,000/bi-wk (4/23) | CLOSED (5/1)*                       | CLOSED  | CLOSED                             | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | <b>CLOSED</b>                     | CLOSED            | CLOSED |
| <b>TAUTOG</b>  | CLOSED   | CLOSED                            | CLOSED                            | 10 fish/day (4/1)*                | 10 fish/day<br>CLOSED (5/26)        | CLOSED (6/1)*   | CLOSED                             | 10 fish/day (8/1)*<br>CLOSED (8/31)  | <b>CLOSED</b><br>CLOSED (9/16)*  | 10 fish/day (10/15)*              |                   |        |

\* Indicates start of a sub-period

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Possession limits identified in red are current as of the date updated until the next change is made