

Updated December 29, 2023	2023 COMMERCIAL POSSESSION LIMITS FOR COMMONLY HARVESTED SPECIES (pounds/vessel)											
	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 750/wk (3/26)	750/wk	50/day (5/1)*	50/day (6/4) 75/day (6/4) 100/day (6/18)	50/day (7/1)* 100/day (7/23)	100/day 200/day (8/6) 50/day (8/16)* 200/day (8/16) 150/day (8/27)	150/day 50/day (9/3) CLOSED (9/8) 100/day (9/16)*	100/day 200/day (10/8) 100/day (10/16)* 50/day (10/29)	50/day CLOSED (11/7)	CLOSED
<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	6,000/wk	10,000/wk (11/16)	10,000/wk
<b>MENHADEN</b> In the Menhaden Management Area	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
<b>MENHADEN</b> 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	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day
<b>SCUP</b> General Category	50,000/day (1/1)*	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	Unlimited (5/1)* 10,000/wk (5/3)	10,000/wk	10,000/wk	10,000/wk	10,000/wk	13,500/day (10/1)*	13,500/day	13,500/day
<b>SCUP</b> Floating Fish Traps	50,000/day (1/1)*	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	Unlimited (5/1)*	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	13,500/day (10/1)*	13,500/day	13,500/day
<b>STRIPED BASS</b> General Category	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED 5 fish/day (5/29)*	5 fish/day CLOSED (6/13)	5 fish/day (7/6)* CLOSED (7/18)	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
<b>STRIPED BASS</b> Floating Fish Traps	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	Unlimited (4/1)*	Unlimited	500/day (6/1) CLOSED (6/13) 500/day (6/18) CLOSED (6/26)	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
<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	200/day 200/day (9/16)*	200/day	200/day
With a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate	100/day (1/1)*	100/day	100/day	100/day	300/day (5/1)*	300/day 400/day (6/4) 600/day (6/18)	600/day 1,000/day (7/23)	1,000/day 1,500/day (8/13)	1,500/day 1,000/day (9/16)	1,000/day 750/day (10/8)	750/day 1,000/day (11/5) 5,000/day (11/12) 7,500/day (12/6)	5,000/day 7,500/day (12/6)
Winter I (Jan. 1 - April 30) Aggregate Program (permitted vessels only)	4,000/bi-wk (1/1)*	4,000/bi-wk 6,000/bi-wk (2/12)	6,000/bi-wk 8,500/bi-wk (3/26)	8,500/bi-wk 3,000/bi-wk (4/23)	CLOSED (5/1)*	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
<b>TAUTOG</b>	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	10 fish/day (4/1)*	10 fish/day CLOSED (5/26)	CLOSED (6/1)*	CLOSED	10 fish/day (8/1)* CLOSED (8/31)	CLOSED CLOSED (9/16)*	CLOSED 10 fish/day (10/15)*	10 fish/day CLOSED (11/17)	CLOSED

\* Indicates start of a sub-period

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

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