



Rhode Island  
Department of Environmental Management

**DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**

3 Fort Wetherill Road  
Jamestown, RI 02835

401 423-1920  
FAX 401 423-1925  
TDD 401 831-5508

TO: Director's Office, DFW Staff, RIMFC, Enforcement, and Fishermen  
FROM: Nancy Scarduzio, RIDFW  
DATE: January 31, 2012  
SUBJECT: Regulation filing

Amendments were filed on January 31, 2012. In summary, the changes are as follows:

**1/31/2012**

**PART III - MARINE FISHERIES COUNCIL**

3.2.1 - This action **OPENS** the commercial fisheries for species in the **small coastal shark (SCS) and pelagic shark species groups** beginning 12:01 AM on February 1, 2012; and sets the opening date for the **non-sandbar large coastal shark (LCS) species group** for July 15, 2012, to comply with federal requirements. [This regulation becomes effective upon filing].

For a Summary of Changes to the RI Marine Fisheries Regulations, when posted, click here:  
<http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/fishamnd.htm>

The regulations can be viewed in their entirety when posted at the DEM/DFW Marine Fisheries web site.

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/rimftoc.htm>