

AS OF October 24, 2012

2012 RHODE ISLAND COMMERCIAL POSSESSION LIMITS (pounds)

|  | Jan                             | Feb                            | Mar   | Apr  | May                                 | June   | July   | Aug   | Sept  | Oct                      | Nov                                 | Dec    |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| <b>BLACK SEA BASS</b><br>11" min size  | 750/day(1/1)*<br>500/day (1/19) | 500/day                        | 500/day   | 250/day (4/1)<br>CLOSED (4/16)                                     | 50/day (5/1)* CLOSED<br>(5/29)      | CLOSED (5/29)  | 50/day (7/1)*<br>CLOSED (7/30)                         | CLOSED<br>(8/1 - 8/31)<br>Extended<br>Closure thru<br>Oct 31 (8/10) | CLOSED<br>50/day(9/1)*                                    | <b>CLOSED</b>            | 250/day (11/1)*<br>50/day (11/2)    |        |
| <b>SCUP</b><br>Other gear - 9" min size<br>General Category  | 50,000/day (1/1)*               | 50,000/day                     | 50,000/day  | 50,000/day   | 5,000/wk (5/1)*<br>10,000/wk (5/27) | 10,000/wk (5/27)<br>20,000/wk (6/10)                               | 5,000/wk (7/1)*<br>20,000/wk (7/3)<br>30,000/wk (7/15) | 30,000/wk   | 5,000/wk (9/16)*<br>50,000/wk (9/17)                      | <b>50,000/wk</b>         | 2,000/day(11/1)*<br>8,000/day(11/2) |        |
| <b>SCUP</b><br>Floating Traps - 9" min size  | 50,000/day (1/1)*               | 50,000/day                     | 50,000/day  | 50,000/day   | No Limit (5/1)*                     | No Limit   | No Limit   | No Limit  | No Limit  | <b>No Limit</b>          | 2,000/day(11/1)*<br>8,000/day(11/2) |        |
| <b>STRIPED BASS</b><br>Rod & Reel-34" min size<br>General Category   | CLOSED(1/1)*                    | CLOSED                         | CLOSED  | CLOSED   | CLOSED                              | 5 fish(6/6)*<br>closed Fri/Sat thru-out<br>CLOSED (6/26)           | CLOSED   | CLOSED  | 5 fish(9/11)*<br>closed Fri/Sat thru-out<br>CLOSED (9/19) | <b>CLOSED</b>            | CLOSED                              | CLOSED |
| <b>STRIPED BASS</b><br>Floating Traps-26" min size   | No Limit (1/1)*                 | No Limit                       | No Limit  | No Limit   | No Limit                            | No Limit   | No Limit   | No Limit  | No Limit  | <b>No Limit</b>          | No Limit                            |        |
| <b>SUMMER FLOUNDER</b><br>14" min size<br>(Without RI exemption certificate, limit is 200 if current<br>limit exceeds 200 pounds. Only permitted vessels may<br>participate in weekly landing limits whe | 500/day(1/1)*                   | 3,500/week or<br>500/day(2/5)* | 2,500/week or<br>500/day(3/4)<br>2,000/week or<br>500/day(3/25) | 1,500/week or<br>300/day (4/1)<br>500/day (4/15)<br>100/day (4/21) | 100/day(5/1)*                       | 700/wk or<br>100/day(6/1)* open<br>Fri/Sat thru-out                | 700/wk or 100/day<br>open Fri/Sat thru-out             | 350/wk or 50/day<br>(8/12)  | 700/wk or 100/day<br>(9/16)                               | <b>700/wk or 100/day</b> | 700/day (11/1)*                     |        |
| <b>TAUTOG</b><br>16" min size  | CLOSED(1/1)*                    | CLOSED                         | CLOSED  | 10 fish (4/15)*  | 10 fish<br>CLOSED (5/5)             | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | 10 fish(8/1)*   | 10 fish (9/15)*<br>CLOSED                                 | <b>10 fish(10/15)*</b>   |                                     |        |
| <b>SPINY DOGFISH</b>   | CLOSED                          | CLOSED                         | CLOSED  | CLOSED   | 3,000/day(5/1)*                     | 3,000/day  | 3,000/day  | 3,000/day   | 3,000/day   | <b>3,000/day</b>         |                                     |        |
| <b>WEAKFISH</b><br>16" min size  | 100/day                         | 100/day                        | 100/day   | 100/day  | 100/day                             | 100/day(6/1)*  | 100/day  | 100/day (8/7)*  | 100/day   | <b>100/day</b>           | 100/day (11/9)*                     |        |
| <b>MENHADEN</b><br>in the Narragansett Bay Menhaden<br>Management Area   | <u>CLOSED (1/1)*</u>            | CLOSED                         | CLOSED  | CLOSED   | CLOSED<br>120,000/day (5/15)        | 120,000/day<br>CLOSED (6/6)<br>120,000/day (6/12)<br>CLOSED (6/20) | CLOSED   | CLOSED  | CLOSED  | <b>CLOSED</b>            | CLOSED                              | CLOSED |

underlined font indicates current possession limit as of October 24, 2012

\* Indicates scheduled start or end of a sub-period