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TO: Director's Office, RIMFC, Enforcement, Seafood Dealers, and Fishermen
FROM: RI Division of Fish and Wildlife
DATE: December 24, 2013
SUBJECT: Regulation amendment

Amendments were filed today, December 24, 2013. In summary, the changes are as follows:

PART III - MARINE FISHERIES COUNCIL

3.2.1-4 - This filing is to **INCREASE** the possession limit to **700 pounds/vessel/day** for the commercial **Summer Flounder** fishery beginning 12:01AM on **Wednesday, December 25, 2013**; and to open certain species groups of coastal sharks beginning January 1, 2014 consistent with the ASMFC Interstate Fisheries Management Plan for Atlantic Coastal Sharks. [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.

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