















# RECREATIONAL SALTWATER FISHING REGULATIONS



| <i>Licensed required in CT/MAIRI</i>  |                              | Rhode Island  | Connecticut   | Massachusetts  |
|---|------------------------------|---|---|--|
|    | <b>AMERICAN EEL</b>          | 9" minimum • 25 fish<br>no closed season  | 9" minimum • 25 fish<br>no closed season  | 9" minimum • 25 fish<br>no closed season   |
|    | <b>BLACK SEA BASS</b>        | 15" minimum<br>May 25 - Aug 31: 2 fish<br>Sep 1 - Sep 30: 5 fish<br>Sep 22 - Oct 31: 7 fish<br>Oct 22 - Dec 31: 7 fish  | 15" minimum • 5 fish<br>May 1 - Dec 31  | 15" minimum • 5 fish<br>May 20 - Aug 29  |
|     | <b>BLUEFISH</b>              | no min size • 15 fish<br>no closed season   | no min size • 10 fish<br>no closed season   | no min size • 10 fish<br>no closed season  |
|    | <b>COD</b>                   | 22" minimum • 10 fish<br>no closed season   | 22" minimum • 10 fish<br>no closed season   | South & east of Cape Cod<br>22" minimum • 10 fish<br>no closed season<br>*North of Cape Cod see<br>MADMF regs                                |
|    | <b>HADDOCK</b>               | 19" minimum • no limit<br>no closed season  | 18" minimum • no limit<br>no closed season  | South of Cape Cod<br>18" minimum • no limit<br>no closed season  |
|    | <b>POLLOCK</b>               | 19" minimum • no limit<br>no closed season  | 19" minimum • no limit<br>no closed season  | no min size • no limit<br>no closed season   |
|    | <b>SCUP Porgy</b>            | 10" minimum • 30 fish<br>May 1 to Dec 31<br>9" from shore at Conimicut<br>Park, India Point, Tiverton<br>Bridge/Tiverton, Narragansett<br>Walls/Narragansett, Narragansett<br>Ft Wetherill, Rocky Point | 10" minimum • 30 fish<br>May 1 to Dec 31<br>9" from shore at shore sites<br>(rules differ)                  | 10" minimum • 30 fish<br>May 1 to Dec 31<br>(charter rules differ)   |
|   | <b>SUMMER FLOUNDER Fluke</b> | 19" minimum • 4 fish<br>May 1 - Dec 31  | 19" minimum • 3 fish<br>May 17 - Sept 21<br>17" at certain shore sites                                      | 17" minimum • 4 fish<br>May 22 - Sept 23   |
|  | <b>STRIPED BASS</b>          | 28" minimum • 1 fish<br>no closed season<br>34" & larger must have<br>right pectoral fin removed  | 28" minimum • 1 fish<br>no closed season  | 28" minimum • 1 fish<br>no closed season   |
|  | <b>TAUTOG</b>                | 16" minimum<br>April 15 to May 31: 2 fish<br>June 1 to July 31: 2 fish<br>Aug 1 to Oct 31: 2 fish<br>Oct 15 to Dec 15: 6 fish<br>max of 10 fish per boat  | 16" minimum<br>Open seasons:<br>Apr 15 - May 31: 2 fish<br>Jun 1 - Jul 31: 2 fish<br>Oct 10 - Dec 6: 4 fish | 16" minimum • 3 fish<br>no closed season   |
|  | <b>WEAKFISH Squeteague</b>   | 16" minimum • 1 fish<br>no closed season  | 16" minimum • 1 fish<br>no closed season  | 16" minimum • 1 fish<br>no closed season   |
|  | <b>WINTER FLOUNDER</b>       | 12" minimum • 2 fish<br>March 1 to Dec 31<br>*All of Narragansett Bay,<br>Potter Pond, Point Judith<br>Pond and the Harbor of<br>Refuge is closed<br>to winter flounder fishing                         | 12" minimum • 2 fish<br>April 1 to Dec 31   | <i>North of Cape Cod</i><br>12" minimum • 8 fish<br>no closed season<br><i>South of Cape Cod</i><br>12" minimum • 2 fish<br>March 1 - Dec 31 |

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