

2023 RECREATIONAL INSHORE SALTWATER FISHING REGULATIONS



<p>STRIPED BASS</p> <p>Size Limit: 28" - less than 31"</p> <p>Season: Year Round</p> <p>Possession Limit: 1</p>	<p>BLUEFISH</p> <p>Size Limit: None</p> <p>Season: Year Round</p> <p>Possession Limit: 3</p>	<p>BLACK SEA BASS</p> <p>Size Limit: Minimum 16.5"</p> <p>Season: May 20 - September 7</p> <p>Possession Limit: 4</p>	<p>SCUP</p> <p>Size Limit: Minimum 10.5" (From a boat)</p> <p>Minimum 9.5" (From shore)</p> <p>Season: May 1 - Dec 31</p> <p>Possession Limit: (Boat & Shore) 30</p>
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<p>TAUTOG</p> <p>Size Limit: Minimum 16.5" & Only 1 fish can exceed 21"</p> <p>Season & Possession Limits:</p> <p>Jan 1 - Mar 31: Prohibited</p> <p>Apr 1 - May 31: 3</p> <p>Jun 1 - Jul 31: 1</p> <p>Aug 1 - Oct 14: 3</p> <p>Oct 15 - Dec 31: 2</p>	<p>MACKEREL</p> <p>Size Limit: None</p> <p>Season: Year Round</p> <p>Possession Limit: 20</p>	<p>SUMMER FLOUNDER (FLUKE)</p> <p>Size Limit: Minimum 16.5"</p> <p>Season: May 21 - Sept 29</p> <p>Possession Limit: 5</p>	<p>WINTER FLOUNDER</p> <p>Gulf of Maine (Cape Cod Bay)*</p> <p>Size Limit: Minimum 12"</p> <p>Season: Year Round</p> <p>Possession Limit: 8</p>
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*The southern side of the Cape, also known as Southern New England coastal waters, has different limits on winter flounder. The size limit is still 12" however the season is Jan 1 - Feb 28 & Mar 1 - Dec 31 with a 2 fish limit.