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Chesapeake Bay & Tributaries Seasons, Sizes & Limits



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Chesapeake Bay and its Tidal Tributaries				
Species	Minimum Size Limits	Season	Creel Limit	Remarks
American Eel	9 inches	Jan 1–Aug 31, except open year round for spears and baited traps or pots	Daily—25	

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Bass (Largemouth and Smallmouth)	15 inches March 1–June 15 12 inches June 16 through last day in February	Open Year Round	Daily—5 in aggregate	
Black Drum	16 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—1 Boat Limit—6	
Black Sea Bass	Subject to change. Refer to online regulations for updates — eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/ (https://web.archive.org/web/20180206164034/http://www.eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/)			
Bluefish	8 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—10	
Catfish	None	Open Year Round	None	
Chain pickerel (Pike)	14 inches	CLOSED March 15–April 30	Daily—10	
Cobia	Subject to change. Refer to online regulations for updates — eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/ (https://web.archive.org/web/20180206164034/http://www.eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/)			
Croaker (Hardhead)	9 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—25	
Northern Snakehead	None	Open Year Round	None	Illegal to possess live snakehead fish.
Red drum (Channel Bass or Puppy Drum)	18–27 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—1	

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Sharks	See Highly Migratory Species Section (https://web.archive.org/web/20180206164034/http://www.eregulations.com/?p=123434)			
Snapper species	None	Open Year Round	Daily—20 in aggregate	Snapper species — www.dsd.state.md.us/comar/getfile.aspx?file=08.02.05.29.htm (https://web.archive.org/web/20180206164034/http://www.dsd.state.md.us/comar/getfile.aspx?file=08.02.05.29.htm)
Spanish Mackerel	14 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—15	Must be landed with head and fins intact.
Spotted seatrout	14 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—4	
Striped Bass	See Chesapeake Bay Striped Bass Section (https://web.archive.org/web/20180206164034/http://www.eregulations.com/?p=123357)			
Summer Flounder (Fluke)	Subject to change. Refer to online regulations for updates — eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/ (https://web.archive.org/web/20180206164034/http://www.eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/)			
Tautog	Subject to change. Refer to online regulations for updates — eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/ (https://web.archive.org/web/20180206164034/http://www.eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/)			
Walleye	15 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—5	
Weakfish	13 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—1	
White perch	None if caught with hook and line; 8 inch minimum if caught with	Open Year Round	None	

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Yellow perch	9 inches	Open Year Round	Daily—10	
Alewife Herring, American Shad, Atlantic sturgeon, shortnose STURGEON, and bivalves/shellfish (mussels and clams)	CLOSED			
Areas Closed to Fishing—Feb, March and April: 1. Magothy River from Lake Waterford dam downstream for 3,300 feet. 2. Severn River and Severn Run from the Route 3 Bridge downstream for 2,400 feet.				

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