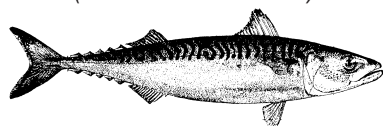


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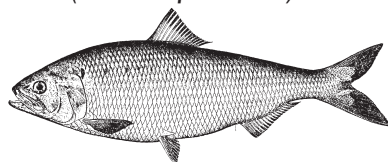
The following Maine saltwater recreational fishing regulations are current as of May 20, 2002. **However, they are subject to change.** Please contact our office or your local Marine Patrol Officer with questions. All minimum lengths are total length, NOT fork length.

## Atlantic Mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*)



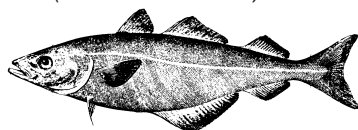
No size or bag limits

## Shad (*Alosa sapidissima*)



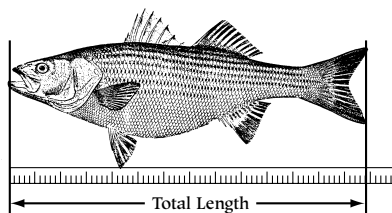
No minimum size  
Using only hook and line, a person may fish for or possess only 2 fish per day

## Pollock (*Pollachius virens*)



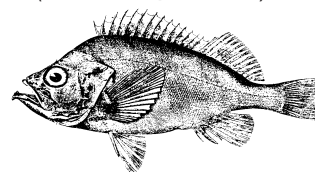
Minimum size 19"  
**EXCEPTION:** A creel limit of 6 pollock per person per day that are under 19" total length is allowed for recreational fishermen in Maine territorial seas.

## HOW TO MEASURE YOUR FISH



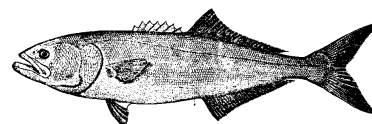
**TOTAL LENGTH**  
from the tip of the snout to the tip of the tail

## Redfish (*Sebastes fasciatus*)



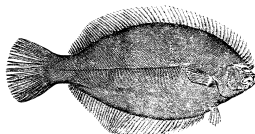
Minimum size 9"  
No bag limits

## Bluefish (*Pomatomus saltatrix*)



No minimum size  
3 fish per angler per day

## Winter Flounder (*Pleuronectes americanus*)



Minimum size 12"  
No bag limits

## Brown Trout (*Salmo trutta*)



Minimum size 14"  
2 fish per angler per day

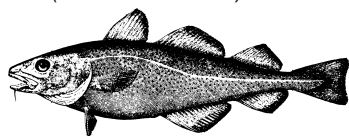
## Atlantic Salmon (*Salmo salar*)



It is unlawful to angle, take or possess any Atlantic salmon from all Maine waters (including coastal waters). Any salmon incidentally caught, must be released immediately, alive and uninjured. At no time should the Atlantic salmon be removed from the water.

## Atlantic Cod and Haddock Regulations

### Atlantic Cod (*Gadus morhua*)



Minimum size 23"

### Haddock (*Melanogrammus aeglefinus*)



Minimum size 21" until 8/1/02, thereafter 23"

1. Anglers (that is those fishing from the shore, private boats and party/charter boats) will be limited to a possession of not more than 10 fish (cod and haddock combined) per person per day from April 1 through November 30. For example, an angler could have 10 cod or 10 haddock, or 5 cod and 5 haddock, **but never more than 10 fish total.** From December 1 through March 31 the daily bag limit is 5 cod per person per day.
2. The **sale of fish** by recreational anglers is prohibited.
3. Recreational anglers will be limited to **two hooks per line** and **one line per angler** when fishing for groundfish.



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