

2008 REVIEW OF THE ASMFC ATLANTIC STRIPED BASS FMP

Table 2. Summary of Atlantic Striped Bass Recreational Regulations for 2007

STATE	SIZE LIMITS	DAILY BAG LIMIT	SEASONAL QUOTA	OPEN SEASON
Maine	1 fish 20 – 26” OR 1 fish >40”	1 fish	None (Hook & line only)	All year except spawning areas: 5.1 – 6.30 catch & release (single hook artificial lures only); 7.1 – 11.30 open
New Hampshire	1 fish 28” – 40” & 1 fish 28” minimum	2 fish	None (No gaffing, no netting except hand held dip net)	All year
Massachusetts	28” minimum	2 fish	None (Hook & line only)	All year
Rhode Island	28” minimum	2 fish	None	All year
Connecticut	28” minimum	2 fish	None	All year
New York	Hudson River 18” minimum Ocean 1 fish 28” – 40” & 1 fish > 40” Charter/Del. River 28” minimum	Hudson River 1 fish Ocean 2 fish Charter/ Del. River 2 fish	None	Hudson River 3.16 – 11.30 Ocean 4.15 – 12.15 Charter/Delaware River All year
New Jersey	28” minimum Bonus Program 28” minimum	2 fish Bonus Program 1 fish/day additional	None Bonus program from commercial cap: 321,750 lb.	All year except DE River spawning area: 3.1 – 3.31 & 6.1 – 12.31 (non-offset circle hooks required if using natural bait from 4.1 – 5.31) Other Rivers: 3.1 – 12.31
Pennsylvania	28” minimum	2 fish	None	All year except tidal DE River: 3.1–3.31, 6.1–12.31
Delaware	28” minimum (Non-tidal: 15” minimum)	2 fish	None (Hook & line, spear for divers)	All year except spawning grounds: 3.1 – 3.31 & 6.1 – 12.31 (circle hooks required if using natural bait from 4.1 - 5.31)
Maryland	Susquehanna Flats Catch and Release Chesapeake Bay Trophy: 28-35”, ≥41” Spring-Fall: 18” min., 28” max for 1 fish Ocean 28” minimum	Susquehanna Flats Catch and Release Chesapeake Bay Trophy: 1 fish Spring-Fall: 2 fish Ocean 2 fish	Susquehanna Flats 0 Chesapeake Bay Trophy: Part of 30,000 fish target Spring-Fall: 2,798,185 lb. Ocean None	Susquehanna Flats 3.1-5.10 Chesapeake Bay Trophy: 4.21 – 5.15 (tributaries closed, no eels) Spring-Fall: 5.16 – 12.15 (most tributaries closed until 6.1) Ocean All year

(Continued on next page)

2008 REVIEW OF THE ASMFC ATLANTIC STRIPED BASS FMP

Table 2 continued. Summary of Atlantic Striped Bass Recreational Regulations for 2007

STATE	SIZE LIMITS	DAILY BAG LIMIT	SEASONAL QUOTA	OPEN SEASON
Potomac River Fisheries Commission	Spring Trophy 28"-35" OR 41"+ Summer/Fall 1 fish 18" min. & 1 fish 18-28"	Spring Trophy 1 fish Summer/Fall 2 fish	Spring Trophy Part of 30,000 fish target Summer/Fall Rec: 575,414 lb. Charter: 71, 927 lb.	Spring 4.21 – 5.15 (no live eel, no more than 2 hooks) Summer/Fall 5.16 – 12.31 (Barbless hooks required during closed season)
District of Columbia	18" – 36"	2 fish	None	5.1 – 11.19
Virginia	Chesapeake Bay Trophy: 32" min. Spring: 18–28"; 1 fish >32" allowed Fall: 18–28"; 1 fish >34" allowed Potomac Tribs Spring: 28" Fall: 18–28"; 1 fish >34" allowed Ocean 28" Trophy: 32"	Chesapeake Bay Trophy: 1 fish Spring: 2 fish Fall: 1-2 fish Potomac Tribs Spring: 1 fish Fall: 2 fish Ocean 2 fish Trophy: 1 fish	Chesapeake Bay Trophy: Part of 30,000 fish target Spring-Fall: 1,554,302 lb. Potomac Tribs None Ocean None	Chesapeake Bay Trophy: 5.1 – 6.15 (except in spawning areas) Spring: 5.16 – 6.15 Fall: 10.4 – 12.9 (2 fish) 12.10 – 12.31 (1 fish) Potomac Tribs Spring: 4.15-5.15 Fall: 5.16-12.31 Ocean 1.1 – 3.31, 5.16 – 12.31 Trophy: 5.1 – 5.15
North Carolina	Roanoke River 18–22" & >27"; only 1 fish >27" allowed Albemarle Sound 18" minimum Atlantic Ocean 28" minimum	Roanoke Rivers 2 fish Albemarle Sound 3 fish Atlantic Ocean 2 fish	Roanoke River 137,500 lb. Albemarle Sound 137,500 lb. Atlantic Ocean None	Roanoke River 3.1 – 5.6 (upper Roanoke 4.1- 6.30, single barbless hook only) Albemarle Sound Spring: 1.1 – 5.6 Fall: 10.1-12.31 Atlantic Ocean All year