Table 3. 2009 recreational management measures for summer flounder by state.

| State | Minimum Size (inches) | Possession Limit | Open Season |
|-------------------------|---|------------------|----------------------------|
| Massachusetts | 18.5 | 5 fish | July 1-August 13 |
| Rhode Island | 21 | 6 fish | June 17- December 31 |
| Connecticut | 19.5 | 3 fish | June 15-August 19 |
| New York | 21 | 2 fish | May 15-June 15 and July 3- |
| | | | August 17 |
| New Jersey | 18 | 6 fish | May 23 –September 4 |
| Delaware | 18.5 | 4 fish | All Year |
| Maryland: | | | |
| Atlantic & Coastal Bays | 18 | 3 fish | April 15-September 13 |
| Chesapeake Bay | 16.5 | 1 fish | |
| PRFC | 16.5 | 1 fish | April 15-September 13 |
| Virginia | 19 | 5 fish | All year |
| North Carolina | 15 in all waters except the following: 14 in Pamlico Sound ^A , Albemarle Sound ^B , and Browns Inlet South ^C (lat/log are listed below) | 8 fish | All Year |

- A. PAMLICO SOUND No person may possess flounder less than 14 inches total length taken from internal waters for recreational purposes west of a line beginning at a point on Point of Marsh in Carteret County at 35° 04.6166'N 76° 27.8000'W, then running northeasterly to a point at Bluff Point in Hyde County at 35° 19.7000'N 76° 09.8500'W. In Core and Clubfoot creeks, the Highway 101 Bridge constitutes the boundary north of which flounder must be at least 14 inches total length.
- B. <u>ALBEMARLE SOUND</u> No person may possess flounder less than 14 inches total length taken from internal waters for recreational purposes **west of a line** beginning at a point 35° 57.3950'N 76° 00.8166'W on Long Shoal Point; running easterly to a point 35° 56.7316'N 75° 59.3000' W near Marker "5" in Alligator River; running northeasterly along the Intracoastal Waterway to a point 36° 09.3033'N 75° 53.4916'W near Marker "171" at the mouth of North River; running northwesterly to a point 36° 09.9093'N 75° 54.6601'W on Camden Point.
- C. **BROWNS INLET-SOUTH** No person may possess flounder less than 14 inches total length in internal and Atlantic Ocean fishing waters for recreational purposes **west and south of a line** beginning at a point 34° 37.0000'N 77° 15.000'W; running southeasterly to a point 34° 32.0000'N 77° 10.0000'W.

Table 4. 2010 Summer flounder recreational regulations.

| State | Minimum Size (inches) | Possession Limit | Open Season |
|----------------|---|------------------|----------------------|
| Massachusetts | 18.5 | 5 fish | May 22-September 6 |
| Rhode Island | 19.5 | 6 fish | May 1-December 31 |
| Connecticut | 19.5 | 3 fish | May 15-August 25 |
| New York | 21 | 2 fish | May 15-September 6 |
| New Jersey | 18 | 6 fish | May 29-September 6 |
| Delaware | 18.5 | 4 fish | January 1-October 13 |
| Maryland | 19 | 3 fish | April 17-November 22 |
| PRFC | 18.5 | 4 fish | All year |
| Virginia | 18.5 | 4 fish | All year |
| North Carolina | 15 in all waters except the following: 14 in Pamlico Sound ^A , Albemarle Sound ^B , and Browns Inlet South ^C (lat/log are listed below) | 8 fish | All Year |

- A. PAMLICO SOUND No person may possess flounder less than 14 inches total length taken from internal waters for recreational purposes west of a line beginning at a point on Point of Marsh in Carteret County at 35° 04.6166'N 76° 27.8000'W, then running northeasterly to a point at Bluff Point in Hyde County at 35° 19.7000'N 76° 09.8500'W. In Core and Clubfoot creeks, the Highway 101 Bridge constitutes the boundary north of which flounder must be at least 14 inches total length.
- B. <u>ALBEMARLE SOUND</u> No person may possess flounder less than 14 inches total length taken from internal waters for recreational purposes west of a line beginning at a point 35° 58.5844'N 75° 51.6958'W on Haulover Point; running northerly through a point 36° 00.2557'N 75° 51.9632' W near Marker "1" in Albemarle Sound; running northerly to a point 36° 08.4891'N 75° 53.5904' W near Marker "173" at the mouth of North River; running northwesterly to a point 36° 09.9041'N 75° 54.6863'W on North River Point.
- C. **BROWNS INLET-SOUTH** No person may possess flounder less than 14 inches total length in internal and Atlantic Ocean fishing waters for recreational purposes **west and south of a line** beginning at a point 34° 37.0000'N 77° 15.000'W; running southeasterly to a point 34° 32.0000'N 77° 10.0000'W.