

Table 4. Fishery regulations by state, 2016. Minimum size are in total length (TL) except for GA and FL are in fork length (FL).

State/ Jurisdiction	Recreational			Commercial	
	Bag Limit	Season	Size Limit	Trip and Size Limit	Open Season
ME	3 fish	All year	None	No Restrictions	All year
NH	10 fish	All year	None	No Restrictions	July 1 - Sept 30
MA	10 fish	All year	None	5,000 lbs/day or trip (whichever is longer)	All year
RI	15 fish	All year	None	18" min size limit; 500 lbs/wk (1.1-4.30,11.16-12.31) 4000 lbs/wk (5.1-11.15)	All year
CT	10 fish	All year	None	9" min size limit; 1000 lbs/trip	All year
NY	15 fish	All year	Only 10 fish <12"	9" min size; Trip Limit: 2,000 lbs (Jan-April); 500 lbs (May-Aug); 1,000 lbs (Sept-Dec)	All year
NJ	15 fish	All year	None	9" min size	Closed to H&L from 1.1-6.15 and 8.8-12.31
DE	10 fish	All year	None	No Restrictions	All year
MD	10 fish	All year	8" min size		All year
PRFC	10 fish	All year	8" min size	Trip limits after 80% of VA-MD quota is landed	All year
VA	10 fish	All year	None		All year
NC	15 fish	All year	Only 5 fish > 24"		All year
SC	15 fish	All year	None	No directed fishery	All year
GA	15 fish	All year	10" min size	10" min size; 15 fish	All Year
FL	10 fish	All year	12" min size	7,500 lbs/day	All year