Table 6. 2013 recreational management measures for black sea bass by state.

State	Minimum Size (inches)	Possession Limit	Open Season
Massachusetts (Private and For-hire)	14	4 fish	May 11- October 31
Massachusetts		10 fish	May 11- June 14
(For-hire with Letter of Authorization from MA DMF)	14	20 fish	July 1- August 11
	-		September 1- October 10
		3 fish	June 15- August 31
Rhode Island	13	7 fish	September 1- December 31
Connecticut		3 fish	June 15- August 31
(Private and Shore)	13	8 fish	September 1- October 29
For-hire*		8 fish	June 15-November 30
New York	13	8 fish	July 10- December 31
New Jersey	12.5	20 fish	May 19- August 8; September 27- October 14; November 1- December 31
Delaware	12.5	15 fish	January 1- February 28
		20 fish	May 19 - October 14 and November 1 - December 31
Maryland	12.5	15 fish	January 1 - February 28
		20 fish	May 19 - October 14 and November 1 - December 31
PRFC	12.5	15 fish	January 1 - February 28
		20 fish	May 19 - October 14 and November 1 - December 31
Virginia	12.5	15 fish	January 1 - February 28
		20 fish	May 19 - October 14 and November 1 - December 31
North Carolina (North of Cape Hatterass 35° 15'N Latitude)	12.5	15 fish	January 1 - February 28
		20 fish	May 19 - October 14 and November 1 - December 31

^{*}Party/Charter Vessels enrolled In Monitoring Program