

**2005 REVIEW OF THE FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN
FOR SPOTTED SEATROUT
(*Cynoscion nebulosus*)**

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Table 5. Summary of current state regulations for spotted seatrout.

| State | Recreational | Commercial | Other |
|----------------|--|---|--|
| New York | none | none | |
| New Jersey | 14" TL; 10 fish | 13" TL; 12" TL when taken by otter trawl 9/1-12/31 | weakfish regulations apply to spotted seatrout |
| Delaware | 12" TL | none | |
| Maryland | 14" TL; 10 fish | 12" TL | minimum mesh size restrictions for trawl (3-3/8" sq. or 3-3/4" diam.) and gill nets (3") |
| PRFC | 14" TL; 10fish | 14" TL | |
| Virginia | 14" TL; 10 fish | 14" TL | commercial quota of 51,104 pounds |
| North Carolina | 12" TL; 10 fish | 12" TL | |
| South Carolina | 13" TL; 10 fish | no commercial harvest or sale | gamefish status |
| Georgia | 13" TL; 15 fish | 13" TL; 15 fish | |
| Florida | 15-20" TL slot, 1 fish >20"; 5 fish (except South Region limit of 4); regional seasonal closures | 15-24" TL; June 1-Aug. 31 season; 75 fish per day; hook & line or cast net only | |