

**GEORGIA'S SALTWATER FISHING REGULATIONS**  
(October 1989)

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY CREEL LIMIT	MINIMUM SIZE (in.)
Blue Marlin*	All Year	1	86 FL
White Marlin*	All Year	1	62 FL
Sailfish*	All Year	1	57 FL
Tarpon*	3/16-11/30	1	40 FL
Amberjack	3/16-12/31	3	28 FL
Cobia	3/16-11/30	3	33 FL
Dolphin	All Year	15	18 FL
King Mackerel	All Year	3	15 FL
Spanish Mackerel	3/16-11/30	10	12 FL
Sheepshead	All Year	25	8 FL
Sturgeon, Atlantic	2/15-4/15	5	75 FL
Bluefish	3/16-11/30	15	12 FL
Black Sea Bass	All Year	No Limit	8 TL
Gag Grouper	All Year	10	12 TL
Red Drum	All Year	10	14 TL
	(Limit 2 over 32)		
Red Snapper	All Year	10	12 TL
Spotted Seatrout	All Year	25	12 TL

**NOTE:** An asterisk denotes gamefish or no sale status. The letters "FL" denote fork length and "TL" denotes total length. For billfishes, length is from tip of lower jaw to fork of tail (see diagram on opposite side). The above regulations were established October 1, 1989 and are subject to change.



Act 644, passed by the Georgia General Assembly in 1989 authorized the Board of Natural Resources to establish size limits, creel limits, and seasons for certain marine and estuarine finfish. This card was prepared in September 1989 to inform fishermen about Georgia's saltwater fishing regulations. This card has no legal force or effect. Since fishery rules are subject to change, fishermen should be aware of the latest regulations before fishing. For updated information, contact Coastal Resources Division at (912) 264-7218.

**Definitions:**

**"Daily Creel Limit"** means the lawful amount of a species of finfish that a person may take in one day or possess at any one time, except at one's place of abode or at a commercial storage facility provided that the Board of Natural Resources has not prohibited sales of that species.

**"Minimum Size"** means the species specific size in length below which it is unlawful to possess that finfish species.

**"Open Season"** means that specified period of time during which one may take from any of the waters of this state certain finfish species.

