

**2004 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.**

| <b>State</b>   | <b>Recreational</b>  | <b>Commercial</b>   | <b>Other</b>   |
|----------------|--|---|--|
| 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 |  |