## 2012 Quick Reference Pull Out Sheet Tidal Waters

Delaware's Recreational Season, Size and Creel Limits

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|--|--|--|--|-----------------------|--|--|--|
|  | Species  | <b>Open Season</b>   | Minimum Size D   | aily Limit            |  |  |  |
|  | American eel   | All year   | 6 inches   | 50                    |  |  |  |
| 27 TESTAN  | American & hickory<br>shad   | Closed Nanticoke<br>River & its tribs.;<br>open all year<br>elsewhere    | None   | 10 in any combination |  |  |  |
| Constitution of the Consti | Atlantic croaker   | All year   | 8 inches   | None                  |  |  |  |
|  | Atlantic sturgeon  | Closed - no harvest  |  |                       |  |  |  |
|  | Black drum   | All year   | 16 inches  | 3                     |  |  |  |
|  | Black sea bass   | Season a   | and limits to be determined  |                       |  |  |  |
|  | Bluefish   | All year   | None   | 10                    |  |  |  |
|  | Catfish (any species)  | All year   | None   | None                  |  |  |  |
|  | Red drum   | All year   | 20 -27 inches<br>may be retained   | 5                     |  |  |  |
|  | River herring (alewife & blueback)   | Closed - no harvest  |  |                       |  |  |  |
| And the second   | Scup   | All year   | 8 inches   | 50                    |  |  |  |
|  | Spanish mackerel   | All year   | 14 inches  | 10                    |  |  |  |
| 24   | Spotted seatrout   | All year   | 12 inches  | None                  |  |  |  |
|  | Striped bass "Catch & Release" only on the spawning grounds April 1 - May 31 | All year   | 28 inches except only<br>20 - 26 inch fish may be<br>retained from July I -<br>Aug. 31 in the DE Riv<br>DE Bay and their tribs<br>(DE waters only) | er,                   |  |  |  |
|  | Summer flounder  | Jan 1 - Oct 23   | 18 inches  | 4                     |  |  |  |
|  | Tautog   | Jan 1 - Mar 31<br>Apr 1 - May 11<br>July 17 - Aug 31<br>Sept 29 - Dec 31 | 16 inches<br>16 inches<br>16 inches<br>16 inches   | 5<br>3<br>5<br>5      |  |  |  |
|  | Weakfish   | All year   | 13 inches  | 1                     |  |  |  |
|  | White perch  | All year   | 8 inches   | None                  |  |  |  |
| W0000  | Winter flounder  | Feb 11 - Apr 10  | 12 inches  | 2                     |  |  |  |

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|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| received   | Species                               | <b>Open Season</b> | Minimum Size              | Daily Limit                         |  |  |
|  | Largemouth bass                       | All year           | 12 inches                 | 6                                   |  |  |
| Pro-Contract Contract | Exception: Becks Pond                 | 1                  | 15 inches                 | 2                                   |  |  |
| 1984   | Smallmouth bass                       | All year           | None between 12-17 inches | 6, no more than<br>1 over 17 inches |  |  |
|  | Striped bass hybrid Only in Lums Pond | All year           | 15 inches                 | None                                |  |  |
| 100000<br>10000  | Panfish                               | All year           | None                      | 50                                  |  |  |
| Pumpkinso Black crappie  | Yellow perch                          | Bluegill           | White perch               | no more than 25 of one species      |  |  |

Open first

Saturday in April

Special rules apply See pgs 8-9

Trout

None

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4, fly-fishing Waters only

**Non-Tidal Waters**