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PROCLAMATION

RE: WEAKFISH

Preston P. Pate, Jr., Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, hereby announces that effective at **6:00 A.M.,**Monday, June 18, 2001, the following restrictions will apply to the weakfish fishery for recreational purposes or by hook-and-line:

I. SIZE AND CREEL LIMITS

- A) No person may possess weakfish less than 12" total length.
- B) Fishermen must abide by one or the other of the size/creel limits below. If two or more individuals are fishing from a vessel, then all fishermen aboard the vessel must abide by the same size/creel limit which will be determined by the smallest legal sized weakfish in possession.
 - 1) No person may possess more than four (4) weakfish per day if any of the fish are less than 14" total length, **OR**:
 - 2) No person may possess more than ten (10) weakfish per day 14" or greater total length.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. This proclamation is issued under the authority of G.S. 113-182; 113-221(e); 143B-289.52 and N.C. Marine Fisheries Rules 15A NCAC 3H .0103 and 3M .0504.
- B. It is unlawful to violate the provisions of any proclamation issued by the Fisheries Director under his delegated authority per 15A NCAC 3H .0103.
- C. This proclamation is issued to implement options within the conservation equivalency of weakfish size and creel limits under the Amendment #3 of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Weakfish Management Plan.
- D. This proclamation supersedes Section II. in Proclamation FF-29-2000 dated May 19, 2000.

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