

... American Eel (1)	All Year	6 in	50 fish
Black Sea Bass (2)	All Year	12 in	20 fish
Blue Marlin (7)	All Year	86 in	1 fish
Bluefish	All Year	none	10 fish
Cod Cod Conservation Zone	Apr 01 - Oct 31	24 in	10 fish
	Nov 01 - Nov 30	24 in	2 fish / person (75 lb / boat)
	Dec 01 - Feb 28		Closed
	Feb 29 - Mar 31	24 in	2 fish / person (75 lb / boat)
Cod North of Cape Cod	Apr 01 - Oct 31	24 in	10 fish
	Nov 01 - Mar 31	24 in	2 fish / person (75 lb / boat)
Cod South and East of Cape Cod	All Year	22 in	10 fish
Dab (Plaice)	All Year	14 in	none
Dogfish	All Year	none	none
Fluke	June 10 - August 15	17.5 in	5 fish
Gray Sole (Witch)	All Year	14 in	none
Haddock (8)	All Year	19 in	none
Halibut	All Year	36 in	1 fish
Monkfish	All Year	17 in	none
Pollock	All Year	none	none
Redfish	All Year	9 in	none
River Herring (6)	<i>Harvest, possession, sale and use are prohibited</i>		
Sailfish (7)	All Year	57 in	1 fish
Scup (3)	May 24 - Sep 26	10.5 in	10 fish
Shad	All Year	none	6 fish
Sharks	<i>Federal rules apply. Consult NOAA Fisheries</i>		
Smelt	Jun 16 - Mar 14	none	none
Striped Bass (4)	All Year	28 in	2 fish
Tautog	All Year	16 in	3 fish
Tunas	<i>Federal rules apply. Consult NOAA Fisheries</i>		
Weakfish	All Year	16 in	10 fish
White Marlin (7)	All Year	62 in	1 fish
White Perch	All Year	8 in	25 fish
Windowpane	All Year	12 in	none
Winter Flounder (5) north of Cape Cod	All Year	12 in	8 fish
Winter Flounder (5) south & east of Cape Cod	Apr 26 - May 25	12 in	4 fish
	Sep 27 - Oct 26	12 in	4 fish
Yellowtail Flounder	All Year	13 in	none

Notes:

- 1) Subject to regulation by the Division and local community. Consult local regulations
- 2) Black sea bass are measured from the tip of the snout or jaw (mouth closed) to the farthest extremity of the tail, not including the tail filament
- 3) Maximum 50 scup per private vessel. Party/charter vessel patrons: 11" size limit, 45 fish May 15 - Jun 28, 10 fish Jun 29 - Sep 17.
- 4) Bass must be kept whole, with head, tail and body intact - no mutilation permitted (other than evisceration). The discard of dead, legal size striped bass is prohibited. To prohibit the practice of high-grading, recreational fishermen may not retain legal-sized striped bass and release said fish in favor of another larger legal-sized striped bass captured subsequently. It shall be unlawful to keep striped bass alive in the water by attaching a line or chain to the fish or placing the fish in a live well or

holding car. Striped bass are measured from the tip of the snout or jaw (mouth closed) to the farthest extremity of the tail.

- 5)** Winter flounder may not be taken from Mount Hope Bay and its tributaries except recreational fishermen may take 4 fish between Apr 13 and May 19 and between Sep 28 and Oct 28
- 6)** It is unlawful for any person to harvest, possess or sell river herring in the Commonwealth or in the waters under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth. These measures will expire on January 1, 2009.
- 7)** Billfish are measured from the tip of the lower jaw to the tail fork
- 8)** Federal rules apply beyond state waters. consult [NOAA Fisheries](#).