

## 2000 RECREATIONAL FISHERY REGULATIONS – ATLANTIC STRIPED BASS\*

\* All regulations are subject to change. Readers should contact their state fisheries offices for detailed regulations.

STATE	SIZE LIMITS	DAILY BAG LIMIT	SEASONAL QUOTA (LB)	OPEN SEASON
Maine	20 – 26” 40” minimum	1 fish between 20” and 26” <u>OR</u> 1 fish above 40”	None	Catch and Release only spawning areas: May 1 – June 30
New Hampshire	32” minimum	1 fish	None	All year
Massachusetts	30” minimum	1 fish	None	All year
Rhode Island	29” minimum	2 fish	None	April 23 – Nov. 30
Connecticut	<b>Shore/Private Boats</b> 24 – 30”  40” minimum  <b>Party/Charter Boats</b> 29.5” minimum	1 fish between 24” and 30” <u>AND</u> 1 fish above 40”  2 fish	None	All year
New York	<b>Hudson River</b> 18” minimum  <b>Ocean and Delaware River</b> 28” minimum	<b>Hudson River</b> 1 fish <b>Ocean</b> 1 fish <b>Charter and Delaware River</b> 2 fish	None	<b>Hudson River</b> 15 Mar. - 30 Nov. <b>Ocean</b> 8 May – 15 Dec. <b>Delaware River</b> All year
New Jersey	24 – 28” 28” minimum  <b>Bonus Program</b> 28” minimum	1 fish between 24” and 28” <u>AND</u> 1 fish above 28”  <b>Bonus Program</b> 1/day in addition to regular fishery	Bonus program of 225,000 lbs. from commercial cap	All year, except <u>Delaware River spawning grounds:</u> 1 Jan – Mar 31 1 June -- 31 Dec <u>Other Rivers:</u> 1 Mar – 31 Dec.
Pennsylvania	28” minimum	2	None	<b>Non-Tidal</b> All year <b>Tidal Delaware River</b> March, 1 June – 31 Dec

Delaware	24 – 28” 28” minimum	1 fish between 24” and 28” <u>AND</u> 1 fish above 28”	None	All year, except <u>Delaware River</u> <u>spawning</u> <u>grounds:</u> 1 Jan – Mar 31 1 June -- 31 Dec.
Maryland	<b>Spring</b> 28” minimum <b>Summer/Fall</b> 18 – 28” 28” minimum <b>Ocean</b> 28” minimum	<b>Spring</b> 1 fish <b>Summer/Fall</b> 2 fish between 18” and 28” <u>OR</u> 1 fish between 18” and 28” <u>AND</u> 1 fish above 28” <b>Ocean</b> 2	<b>Spring</b> Portion of 30,000 fish cap <b>Summer/Fall</b> 3,177,450 lb. (portion of 10,500,000 lb baywide quota) <b>Ocean</b> None	<b>Spring</b> Bay: 25 Apr. – 31 May Potomac tribs: 22 Apr. – 31 May <b>Summer/Fall</b> Bay: 1 Jun – 30 Nov Potomac tribs: 1 Jun – 31 Dec. <b>Ocean</b> All year
PRFC	<b>Spring</b> 28” minimum <b>Summer/Fall</b> 18” (28”)	<b>Spring</b> 1 <b>Summer/Fall</b> 2 fish, only one of which may be larger than 28”	<b>Spring</b> Portion of 30,000 fish cap <b>Summer/Fall</b> 723,150 lb. (portion of 10,500,000 lb baywide quota)	<b>Spring</b> Limited days From the last week of April through 31 May. <b>Summer/Fall</b> 1 June – 31 December
District of Columbia	18" Minimum 36" Maximum	1	None	3 June – 31 July 1 Sept. – 16 Nov.
Virginia	<b>Spring</b> 18 – 28” <b>Trophy</b> 32” minimum <b>Fall</b> 18” (34”) <b>Ocean</b> 28” (34”)	<b>Spring</b> 2 fish <b>Trophy</b> 1 fish <b>Fall</b> 2 fish, only one of which may be larger than 34” <b>Ocean</b> 2 fish, only one of which may be larger than 34”	<b>Trophy</b> Portion of 30,000 fish cap <b>Spring/Fall</b> 1,701,748 lb. (portion of 10,500,000 lb baywide quota) <b>Ocean</b> None	<b>Spring</b> 16 May – 15 June <b>Trophy</b> 1 May – 15 May <b>Fall</b> 4 Oct. – 31 Dec. <b>Ocean</b> 1 Jan – 31 Mar 16 May – 31 Dec

North Carolina	<p><b>Roanoke River</b> 18” Minimum, but no fish between 22 and 27” in April and May</p> <p><b>Sounds and Rivers</b> 18” minimum</p> <p><b>Atlantic Ocean</b> 28” minimum</p>	<p><b>Rivers</b> 3 fish</p> <p><b>Albemarle Sound</b> 2 fish</p> <p><b>Atlantic Ocean</b> 2 fish</p>	<p><b>Roanoke Riv.</b> 112,500</p> <p><b>Albemarle Sd</b> 56,250 spring 56,250 fall</p> <p><b>Other Areas</b> None</p> <p><b>Atl. Ocean</b> None</p>	<p><b>Roanoke River</b> Tues., Wed., Sat., Sun. from 15 Mar</p> <p><b>Other areas</b> All year</p> <p><b>Albemarle Sd.</b> Wed., Fri., Sat., Sun. from 1 Jan</p> <p><b>Atlantic Ocean</b> 1 Jan. – 1 March 1 May – 31 Dec.</p>
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