5.0 Tables

Table 1. Recreational Black Sea Bass Specifications and Harvest from 1996-2010

Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Harvest			3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.43	3.43
Limit								
(mlbs)								
Harvest	4.0	4.3	1.2	1.7	4.0	3.4	4.3	3.3
(mlbs)								
Size	9	9	10	10	10	11	11.5	12
(inches)								
Bag^			-			25	25	25
Open	All year	All year	1/1-7/30	All year	All year	1/1-2/28	All year	1/1-9/1
Season			and			and		and
			8/16-			5/10-		9/16-
			12/31			12/31		11/30

Year	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Harvest	4.01	4.13	3.99	2.47	2.11	1.14	1.83	1.78
Limit								
(mlbs)								
Harvest	1.67	1.89	1.99	2.25	1.56	2.32	2.98**	0.99
(mlbs)								
Size	12	12	12	12	12	12.5	12.5	See
(inches)								table 2
Bag^	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	See
								table 2
Open	1/1-9/7	All year	All year	All year	All year	All	5/22-	See
Season	and					year*	10/11	table 2
	9/22-						and	
	11/30						11/1-	
							12/31	

[^] The state of Massachusetts has a more conservative bag limit of 20 fish.
** 2011 Harvest is a preliminary estimate of harvest from waves 1-6.
*In 2009 Federal waters were closed on October 5, 2009.

Table 2. 2011 recreational management measures for black sea bass by state.

State	Minimum Size (inches)	Possession Limit	Open Season	
Massachusetts	14	10 fish	May 22 to October 11	
Rhode Island	13	12 fish	July 11- December 31	
Connecticut	13	25 fish	July 1 to October 11 and	
			November 1 to December 31	
New York	13	10 fish	June 13 to October 1 and	
			November 1 to December 31	
New Jersey	12.5	25 fish	May 28 to September 11 and	
			November 1 to December 31	
Delaware	12.5	25 fish	May 22 to October 11 and	
			November 1 to December 31	
Maryland	12.5	25 fish	May 22 to October 11 and	
			November 1 to December 31	
PRFC	12.5	25 fish	May 22 to October 11 and	
			November 1 to December 31	
Virginia	12.5	25 fish	May 22 to October 11 and	
			November 1 to December 31	
North Carolina (North	12.5	25 fish	July 1 to September 25 and	
of Cape Hatteras 35°			November 1 to December 31	
15'N Latitude)				

Table 3. State-by-state harvest in number of fish for 2009-2011.

State	2009 harvest	% of the 2009 coastwid harvest	2010 harvest	% of the 2010 coastwide harvest	2011 estimated harvest*	% of the 2011 coastwide estimated harvest*
MA	311,876	19%	482391	25%	182,400	28%
RI	32,241	2%	145877	8%	64,853	10%
СТ	293	0%	14783	1%	13,199	2%
NY	454,039	28%	605863	32%	164,668	25%
NJ	608,338	38%	548352	29%	127,098	19%
DE	50,471	3%	22448	1%	45,963	7%
MD	30,350	2%	42210	2%	20,982	3%
VA	102,418	6%	20307	1%	21,034	3%
NC**	9,448	1%	23,934	1%	13,945	2%
Coastwide	1,599,474	100%	1,906,165	100%	654,142	100%

^{*2011} harvest estimates are preliminary and wave 6 harvest has been projected from previous year.

^{**} NC harvest is north of Cape Hatteras only.