



**RHODE ISLAND**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**  
**DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES**  
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**MEETING NOTICE**  
**Regulatory Workshop**

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 6:00PM**

**In person:**

URI Bay Campus  
Corless Auditorium  
215 South Ferry Road, Narragansett RI

**Zoom webinar:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83869305600?pwd=NVNTY2pkcnBtTUROeEgvTktKdkRsZz09>

Meeting ID: 838 6930 5600

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Dial in: 1-929-205-6099 (listen only)

The purpose of this workshop is to provide the public with regulatory proposals currently under consideration and/or up or annual review by the Division and to afford opportunity for feedback and/or additional proposals.

**AGENDA**

1. **Part 1 – Definitions and General Provisions:**
  - Division proposal for clarifications to section 1.8 “Possession Limit and Vessel Operating Compliance” (in conjunction with proposed changes to Part 3 regarding per person/per vessel possession limits)
  - Division proposal for clarifications to section 1.9 “Transiting”
  
2. **Part 3 – Finfish:**
  - **Commercial Black Sea Bass management:**
    - Summary of Stock Status
    - 2023 Rhode Island Commercial Fishery Performance
    - Industry and/or Division proposals for 2024 management
  - **Commercial Scup management:**
    - Summary of Stock Status
    - 2023 Rhode Island Commercial Fishery Performance

- Industry and/or Division proposals for 2024 management
- Commercial Summer flounder management:
  - Summary of Stock Status
  - 2023 Rhode Island Commercial Fishery Performance
  - Industry and/or Division proposals for 2024 management
- 3. Part 14 – Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate Program:
  - Discuss possession limit for license holders that do not hold an Exemption Certificate
- 4. Part 23 – Aggregate Program for Summer Flounder and Black Sea Bass:
  - Discuss summer/fall black sea bass and summer flounder aggregate program proposals

*Note: The public hearing for these matters is scheduled for 6:00pm on November 6<sup>th</sup>, followed by a RI Marine Fisheries Council meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Please stay tuned for future meeting announcements on the Division's listserv. To subscribe to the Division's listserv, send email to [rimaryfisheries-subscribe@listserv.ri.gov](mailto:rimaryfisheries-subscribe@listserv.ri.gov).*