

Updated 5/16/2025	2025 COMMERCIAL POSSESSION LIMITS FOR COMMONLY HARVESTED SPECIES (pounds)											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
BLACK SEA BASS	500/wk (1/1)*	500/wk	500/wk 1,000/wk (3/16) 1,500/wk (3/30)	1,500/wk 2,000/wk (4/13)	100/day (5/1)*		50/day (7/1)*	50/day (8/16)*	100/day (9/16)*	100/day (10/16)*		
Summer/Fall Aggregate Program	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	700/wk (5/1)*							
BLUEFISH	1,000/bi-wk (1/1)*	1,000/bi-wk	1,000/bi-wk	1,000/bi-wk	6,000/wk (5/1)*						500/wk (11/16)*	
MENHADEN In the Menhaden Management Area												
Daily limit when MMA open	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED							
Weekly limit when MMA closed	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED 6,000/wk (5/6)**							
MENHADEN In State Waters outside the Menhaden Management Area	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day							
SCUP General Category	50,000/day (1/1)*	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	10,000/wk (5/1)*					2,000/wk (10/1)*		
SCUP Floating Fish Traps	50,000/day (1/1)*	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	Unlimited (5/1)*					2,000/wk (10/1)*		
STRIPED BASS General Category	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	5 fish/day (6/10)*						
STRIPED BASS Floating Fish Traps	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	Unlimited (4/1)*	Unlimited							
SUMMER FLOUNDER												
Without a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate	100/day (1/1)*	100/day	100/day	100/day	200/day (5/1)* 100/day (5/18)				200/day (9/16)*			
With a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate	100/day (1/1)*	100/day	100/day	100/day	200/day (5/1)* 100/day (5/18)				500/day (9/16)*			
Winter I Aggregate Program	CLOSED 4,000/bi-wk (1/5)*	4,000/bi-wk	4,000/bi-wk 3,000/bi-wk (3/30)	3,000/bi-wk 2,500/bi-wk (4/13) 1,000/bi-wk (4/27)	CLOSED (5/1)*	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Summer/Fall Aggregate Program	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	1,400/wk (5/1)* 700/wk (5/18)							
TAUTOG	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	10 fish/day (4/1)*	10 fish/day CLOSED (5/27)			10 fish/day (8/1)*		10 fish/day (10/15)*		

* Indicates start of a sub-period

For species not identified in this chart, go to the Marine Fisheries webpage at <http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/marine-fisheries/mfsizes.php>

For all marine fisheries regulations, go to <https://dem.ri.gov/natural-resources-bureau/marine-fisheries/marine-fisheries-regulations>

Possession limits identified in red are current as of the date updated until the next change is made

** See Part 3 - Finfish, section 3.21.2(A)(1) for specific regulations regarding harvest of menhaden inside the MMA