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**DIRECTOR'S DECLARATION:  
2019/2020 COMMERCIAL SPINY DOGFISH  
POSSESSION AND LANDING LIMITS**

Pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements of G.L. c. 30A, §3, and under the authority of G.L. c. 130, §§17A, 21 and 80 and 322 CMR §§6.35(5) and 7.01(7), the Director of the Division of Marine, with prior approval of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission, hereby issues the following declaration of the 2019/2020 spiny dogfish possession and landing limits:

1. During the period of May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020, it shall be unlawful for any commercial permit holder or fishing vessel to possess or land in excess of 6,000 pounds of spiny dogfish per trip or per calendar day, whichever period is longer.
2. Once the Director has determined that the Northern Region's (ME – CT) annual quota allocation has been landed, it shall be unlawful for any commercial permit holder or fishing vessel to possess or land any spiny dogfish.
3. All spiny dogfish regulated fishery permit endorsements are hereby conditioned with the above restrictions, as established above.

Dated: May 14, 2019

By: 