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## Marine Fisheries Advisory

## 2020 Small-Mesh Trawl Fishery for Squid to Close Effective June 10

The 2020 commercial small-mesh trawl fishery for squid is scheduled to close effective Wednesday, June 10; the last day of fishing will be Tuesday, June 9. Effective June 10, 2020 all fishermen fishing with trawl gear in the waters under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth south and west of Cape Cod will be required to fish with nets that have a minimum net mesh opening of at least 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches in the cod end and 6 inches throughout the rest of the net. Annually, during the period of April 23 – June 9, DMF allows trawl vessels to target squid with small mesh (1  $\frac{7}{8}$ ") within the small mesh squid trawl exempted area south of Cape Cod.

For more information about longfin squid, please visit our website:

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