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Free Saltwater Fishing Days: June 20 & 21

The weather is warming, the sun is shining, and the fish are plentiful - Fishing season is finally upon us! In celebration, Massachusetts is hosting its annual free saltwater fishing days on Father's Day weekend, June 20th and 21st. No need for a saltwater fishing permit in state marine waters, out to 3 miles, until the weekend is over. So grab your rod, gather up the family, and head to the shoreline for some great fishing action.

Need some help getting started? Look through our [saltwater fishing guide](#) for detailed information about saltwater fishing strategy, recreational fishing rules and regulations, and a list of bait and tackle shops. Find boat ramps and public access locations on our [saltwater fishing public access](#) webpage, and remember to review the [recreational saltwater fishing regulations](#) for information on season, size, and daily limits for saltwater species. There are important changes to the rules for striped bass and bluefish this year to help conserve these species.

If you get "hooked" on saltwater fishing, purchase your [recreational saltwater fishing permit](#) online. It's just \$10, and 100% of it directly funds improvements to marine recreational fishing in the Commonwealth. This includes programming that develops and maintains public access locations and artificial reefs, angler education, and recreational fishing research and conservation projects. Learn more about the [Marine Recreational Fisheries Development Fund](#).



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