

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## **Division of Marine Fisheries**

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## **2018 Revised Statement of Permit Conditions** for Bait Dealers Acting as Carrier Vessels for Menhaden

You are receiving this letter because you hold bait dealer permit with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and have indicated that you intend to act as a carrier vessel for menhaden. In accordance with 322 CMR §7.01(7), this statement of permit conditions serves to further regulate your activity as a carrier vessel while receiving, carrying and landing menhaden taken by harvesters from the waters under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth. This is necessary to properly conserve and manage inshore bait fisheries.

Pursuant to the authority of G.L. c. 130 § 80 and 322 CMR §7.01(7), the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the **Statement of Conditions** enumerated below shall apply to all 2018 bait dealer permits that have been authorized to act as a carrier vessel for menhaden:

- 1. All menhaden received from a menhaden harvester vessel shall be reported to the SAFIS dealer reporting system on a daily basis.
- 2. A logbook shall be maintained onboard at all times. On a daily basis the logbook shall detail the harvester vessels providing menhaden to the carrier vessel; the commercial fisherman DMF ID# for the harvester vessel; and the poundage of menhaden provided by each harvester vessel.
- 3. The permit holder shall not accept menhaden from more than any single harvester vessel during any trip on calendar day, whichever period is longer.
- 4. The permit holder shall not receive, possess or land more than 125,000 pounds on menhaden during any calendar day or trip, whichever period is longer.

This Statement of Permit Condition is enforceable by law, pursuant to G.L. c. 130 §80 and 322 CMR §7.01(7). Violations of any condition or restriction herein, or any provision of 322 CMR or G.L. 130 may result in the suspension or revocation of the commercial fisherman permit and any other applicable fines and penalties. The Director may revise or discontinue the provisions set forth in this Statement of Permit Conditions any time.

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