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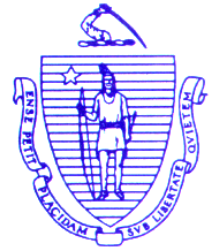
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Statement of Permit Conditions: Winter II Commercial Scup Trip Limits

The Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) has taken action to establish the state's commercial scup possession and landing limit during the 2018 Winter II period (October 1–December 31). This limit is designed to match the federal limit established by the National Marine Fisheries Service for the Winter II period and thereby allow commercial fishermen to possess and land legally caught fish in Massachusetts. Unless further amended, these limits shall remain in place until December 31, 2018 or until 100% of the federal 2018 Winter II scup quota is taken and the fishery is closed.

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority at G.L. c. 130 §§ 2, 17A and 80 and 322 CMR § 7.01(7), all commercial fisherman permits with regulated fishery permit endorsements for scup have been hereby conditioned to establish the Winter II commercial scup fishery limit at 322 CMR §6.27(2)(e):

- **From 0001 hours on October 1, 2018 until 2359 hours on December 31, 2018 or until the 2018 Winter II commercial scup quota is reached, commercial fishermen who hold a commercial scup regulated fishery permit endorsement may possess and land up to 28,500 pounds of scup per trip or calendar day, whichever period is longer.**

Any violation of the above stated permit condition is subject to the fines and penalties set forth at G.L. c. 130 §§ 2 and 80, G.L. c. 21A § 10H and 322 CMR 7.01(9), including but not limited to an administrative hearing to suspend or revoke your commercial fisherman permit.

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