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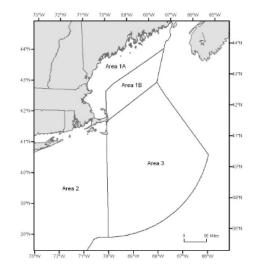
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Atlantic Sea Herring Management Area 1A Trimester 3 Landing Days

Trimester 3 Days-Out Schedule

The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (ASMFC) Sea Herring Section (Section) – consisting of ASMFC Commissioners from Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts – recently approved a days-out schedule for the Trimester 3 period (October 1 – December 31) in the Management Area 1A Atlantic sea herring directed fishery. This days out schedule is provided in the bullet below and will be implemented through permit conditions (notice), in accordance with G.L. c. 130 §80 and 322 CMR §7.01(7).



During Trimester 3, vessels in the directed sea herring fishery may land sea herring taken from Area 1A on Mondays through Fridays. The first

lawful landing day is October 1, 2018. All other calendar days are days-out and landing sea herring taken from Area 1A is prohibited, with an exemption for incidental catch. Vessels may land up to 2,000 pounds of sea herring taken from Area 1A during any day-out, provided the vessel does not land more than once per day.

The Section will be actively monitoring Area 1A sea herring landings and this days-out schedule may be adjusted based on landings. Once 92% of Area 1A's Trimester 3 quota allocation is landed, the directed fishery will be closed.

For more information regarding sea herring management in Massachusetts, please view our website at www.mass.gov/marinefisheries