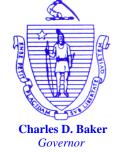


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DIRECTOR'S DECLARATION: DAYS-OUT IN THE ATLANTIC SEA HERRING MANAGEMENT AREA 1A FISHERY FOR TRIMESTER 3

Pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements of G.L. c.30A, §§ 2 and 3 and under the authority of G.L. c.130 §§ 17A, 21 and 80 and 322 CMR §§ 7.01(7) and 9.05, the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries, with the approval and consent of the Marine Fisheries Commission, hereby makes the following Declaration of the Trimester 3 days-out schedule for the Atlantic sea herring Management Area 1A:

October 5 – December 31:

During this period, or until further notice, vessels in the directed fishery for Atlantic sea herring area authorized to land Atlantic sea herring taken from Management Area 1A on Mondays beginning at 0001 hours and continuing through Wednesdays ending at 2400 hours.

Vessels will take days-out on Thursdays beginning at 0001 hours and continuing through Sundays ending at 2400 hours and will be prohibited from possessing or landing more than 2,000 pounds of sea herring in Massachusetts. During any day out, a vessel may land an incident catch of up to 2,000 pounds of sea herring, provided the vessel does not land more than once per calendar day and the weight of the sea herring catch does not exceed 10% the weight of the total catch.

Dated: October 1, 2015