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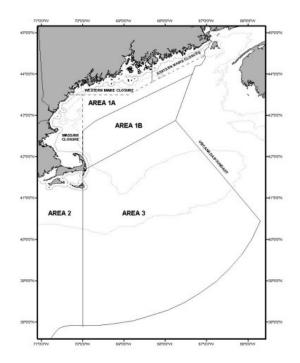
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Atlantic Herring Area 1A Fishery to Remain Closed

Previously approved landing days for the 2025 Area 1A fishery for Season 2 (MA DMF Advisory and ASMFC notice) created conditional fishing access based on federal approval of either higher quotas or a transfer of underutilized quota from Canada. Neither of those of have been approved under the ongoing federal government shutdown. Therefore the landing days will remain at zero (0) from November 5 onward. If there is a subsequent change in available Area 1A quota, then another Days Out call will be scheduled for members of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Atlantic Sea Herring Management Board from Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts.

While landing days are set at zero (0), harvesters are prohibited from landing more than 2,000 pounds of Atlantic herring per trip from Area 1A.



For more information regarding the management of sea herring in Massachusetts, please visit www.mass.gov/marinefisheries.