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Marine Fisheries Advisory

2007/2008 Northern Shrimp Season Set at 152 Days –
December 1 st – April 30 th.

Marine Fisheries is issuing this final notice of northern shrimp fishery management measures approved by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries (ASMFC) Northern Shrimp Section and Massachusetts Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission. **The 2007/2008 northern shrimp fishery will open at 0001 hours on Friday, December 1, 2007 and close on Wednesday, April 30, 2008.**

Commercial fishermen are reminded of various gear restrictions (see 322 CMR 5.00), including a minimum mesh size of 1 ¾", required use of a Nordmore Grate System, as well as a prohibition on mechanical devices used to cull, grade, separate, or shake shrimp.