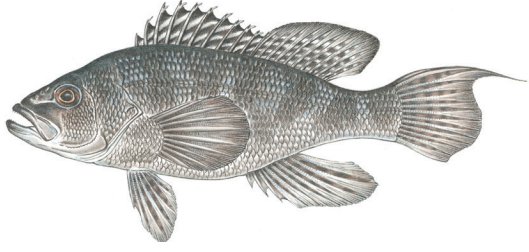




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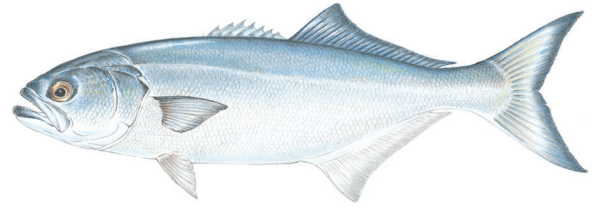


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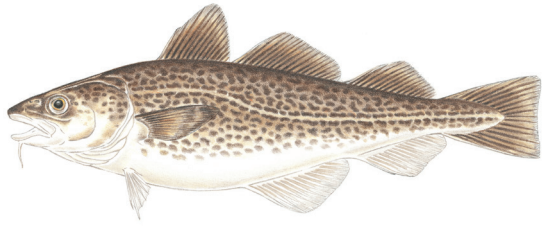
Season: May 21 - Sep 4  
Minimum Size: 16"  
Possession Limit: 4 fish

### BLUEFISH



Season: all year  
Minimum Size: no limit  
Possession Limit: 5 fish

### ATLANTIC COD\*



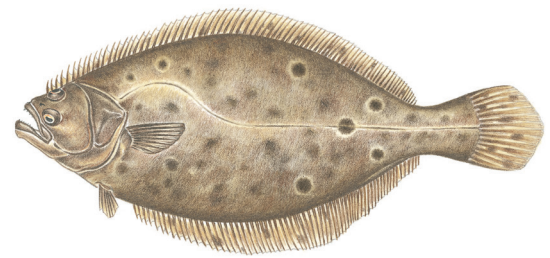
#### North of Cape Cod

Season: Apr 1 - Apr 14; Sep 1 - Oct 7  
Size Limit: 22" min  
Possession Limit: 1 fish

#### South of Cape Cod

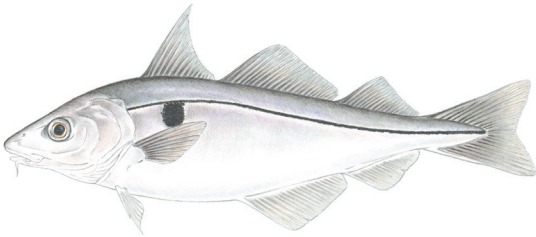
Aug 1 - Apr 30  
22" min to 28" max  
5 fish

### FLUKE (SUMMER FLOUNDER)



Season: May 21 - Sept 29  
Minimum Size: 16.5"  
Possession Limit: 5 fish

### HADDOCK\*



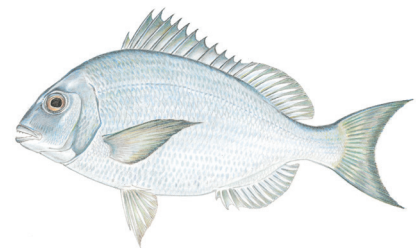
#### North of Cape Cod

Season: Jan 1 - Feb 28 ; Apr 1 - Dec 31  
Minimum Size: 17"  
Possession Limit: 20 fish

#### South of Cape Cod

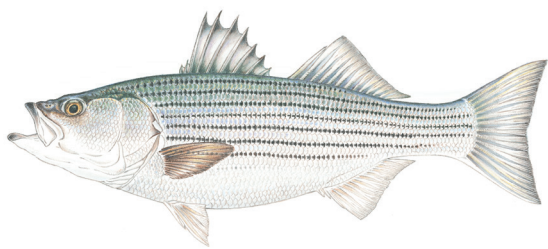
all year  
18"  
no limit

### SCUP



Season:	Jan 1 - Apr 30	May 1 - Jun 30	Jul 1 - Dec 31
Minimum Size:	10"	10"	10"
Possession Limit:	30 fish	50 fish	30 fish

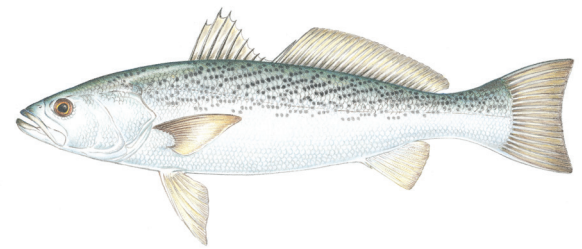
### STRIPED BASS



Season: all year  
Size Limit: 28" to less than 35"  
Possession Limit: 1 fish

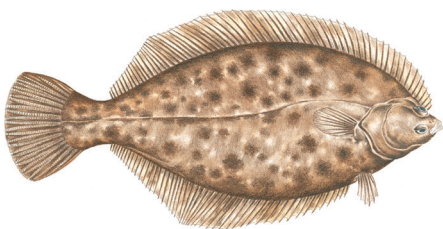
*Use of in-line circle hooks is mandatory when fishing with whole or cut natural baits, except with artificial lures.*

### WEAKFISH



Season: all year  
Minimum Size: 16"  
Possession Limit: 1 fish

### WINTER FLOUNDER



#### North of Cape Cod

Season: all year  
Minimum Size: 12"  
Possession Limit: 8 fish

#### South of Cape Cod

Mar 1 - Dec 31  
12"  
2 fish

### TAUTOG



Season:	Jan 1 - Mar 31	Apr 1 - May 31	Jun 1 - Jul 31	Aug 1 - Oct 14	Oct 15 - Dec 31
Minimum Size:	NA	16"	16"	16"	16"
Possession Limit:	prohibited	3 fish	1 fish	3 fish	5 fish

\* Regulations for cod and haddock both north and south of Cape Cod are subject to change pending final rule-making by NOAA Fisheries. Please visit our website ([www.mass.gov/marinefisheries](http://www.mass.gov/marinefisheries)) to get the most up-to-date recreational fishing limits.