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CLARIFICATION OF SCUP LIMIT ABOARD PRIVATE RECREATIONAL VESSELS

It has come to the attention of the Division of Marine Fisheries (*MarineFisheries*) that there is confusion surrounding the possession limit for scup aboard private vessels. The 2008 possession rules for scup are:

Aboard for-hire vessels:

45 scup per person during May 15th through June 28th; and
10 scup per person during June 29th through September 17th.

From shore and aboard private vessels (May 24th – September 26th):

10 scup per person, not to exceed 50 scup per vessel.

This private vessel limit was inadvertently reduced to 20-scup when *MarineFisheries* implemented a reduced possession limit per recreational angler. A regulatory correction has been filed with the Secretary of State.

For further information visit the *MarineFisheries* webpage at: www.mass.gov/marinefisheries.