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Notice of Public Hearing and Comment Period: Recreational Slot Limit for Striped Bass

Under the provisions of G.L. c. 30A and pursuant to the authority found at G.L. c. 130 § 17, the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) is taking public comment on recently enacted emergency regulations amending 322 CMR 6.07 to adjust the recreational striped bass slot limit. Effective May 26, 2023, the emergency regulations decreased the maximum length limit from 35 inches to 31 inches resulting in a new slot size of 28 inches to less than 31 inches. Full text of the emergency regulations may be found on [DMF's website](#) along with additional relevant background information.

Public Hearing and Comment Schedule

DMF will host a virtual public hearing on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 6PM. To attend the virtual public hearing you must pre-register here: <https://shorturl.at/uCLW1>. Additionally, DMF will accept written public comment through 5PM on Friday June 30, 2023. Please submit written comments to Director Daniel McKiernan by e-mail (marine.fish@mass.gov).