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Marine Fisheries Advisory

Commercial Striped Bass fishery to close
wednesday, september 10, 2008
landings permitted until midnight on Tuesday, september 9, 2008

Current landing and dealer reporting information indicates that the Commonwealth's annual striped bass commercial quota (1,107,828 lbs) for 2008 will be reached by Tuesday, September 9. Therefore, effective Wednesday, September 10, at 12:01AM, fishermen are prohibited from landing or possessing striped bass for commercial purposes, for the remainder of this year.

Dealers are reminded that it is unlawful to purchase striped bass from Massachusetts commercial fishermen when the fishery is closed. Regulations can be viewed at the *Marine Fisheries* web site: www.mass.gov/marinefisheries.