

Table 1. Changes to Lobster Carapace Size, V-Notch, and Escape Vent Rules for LCMA1, LCMA3, and OCCLCMA by Year from 2025 – 2029; New Rules in Red Bold-Faced Type

Implementation Date	LCMA1	LCMA3	OCCLCMA
Existing Rules	Min Size: 3 1/4"	Min Size: 3 17/32"	Min Size: 3 3/8"
	Max Size: 5"	Max Size: 6 3/4"	Federal Max Size: 6 3/4"
			State Max Size: None
	V-Notch: Any v-shaped notch with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs	Federal V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs State V-Notch: Sharp v at 1/4" depth without setal hairs.
July 1, 2025	Min Size: 3 5/16"	Min Size: 3 17/32"	Min Size: 3 3/8"
	Max Size: 5"	Max Size: 6 3/4"	Max Size: 6 3/4"
	V-Notch: Any v-shaped notch with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs
	Escape Vent: 1 15/16" by 5 3/4" or 2 7/16 diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.
July 1, 2026	Min Size: 3 5/16"	Min Size: 3 17/32"	Min Size: 3 3/8"
	Max Size: 5"	Max Size: 6 3/4"	Max Size: 6 3/4"
	V-Notch: Any v-shaped notch with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs
	Escape Vent: 1 15/16" by 5 3/4" or 2 7/16 diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.
July 1, 2027	Min Size: 3 3/8"	Min Size: 3 17/32"	Min Size: 3 3/8"
	Max Size: 5"	Max Size: 6 3/4"	Max Size: 6 3/4"
	V-Notch: Any v-shaped notch with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs
	Escape Vent: 1 15/16" by 5 3/4" or 2 7/16 diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.
July 1, 2028	Min Size: 3 3/8"	Min Size: 3 17/32"	Min Size: 3 3/8"
	Max Size: 5"	Max Size: 6 3/4"	Max Size: 6 3/4"
	V-Notch: Any v-shaped notch with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs
	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.
July 1, 2029	Min Size: 3 3/8"	Min Size: 3 17/32"	Min Size: 3 3/8"
	Max Size: 5"	Max Size: 6 1/2"	Max Size: 6 1/2"
	V-Notch: Any v-shaped notch with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs	V-Notch: 1/8" depth with or without setal hairs
	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.	Escape Vent: 2" by 5 3/4" or 2 5/8" diameter.