

FISHERY RE-OPENING NOTICE: 2022 Atlantic Menhaden Quota Managed Fishery

The Division of Marine Fisheries has received a transfer of unused 2022 commercial menhaden quota from other Atlantic coastal states. With the receipt of this quota transfer, and pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements at G.L c. 30A, §3 and the authority set forth at G.L. c. 130, §§17A, 21, and 80, and 322 CMR 6.43(2), the 2022 quota managed fishery for Atlantic menhaden shall reopen at 0001 hours on Monday, July 11, 2022.

Commercial fishers may participate in the quota managed menhaden fishery consistent with the regulations set forth at 322 CMR 6.43(4)(a) and (d), except that the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries has conditioned all regulated fishery permit endorsements for menhaden—pursuant to his authority at G.L. c. 130, §80 and 322 CMR 7.01(7) —to further restrict the retention, possession, and landing of menhaden to 25,000 pounds of menhaden per trip or calendar day, whichever period of time is longer.

Dated: July 7, 2022

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