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Statement of Permit Conditions: 2024 Atlantic Herring Management Area 1A Effort Controls for Season 2

The purpose of this Statement of Permit Conditions is to set the 2024 Season 2 effort controls for the directed commercial sea herring fishery within Management Area 1A consistent with actions taken by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. You are receiving this Statement of Permit Conditions because you hold a valid DMF-issued 2024 commercial fishing permit with a regulated fishery permit endorsement for sea herring. Pursuant to the authority at G.L. c. 130, §80 and 322 CMR 7.01(7) and 9.05, the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries had determined the Statement of Permit Conditions enumerated below applies to your 2024 commercial fishing permit onboard the named and authorized vessel.

- Landing days for the directed fishery will be set at zero (0) from October 1 through October 9.
- The fishery will move to two (2) landing days from 12:01 a.m. on Thursday, October 10 to 11:59 p.m. on Friday, October 11, 2024 with landings subject to applicable federal limits.
- The fishery will move back to zero (0) landing days from October 12 through November 4, 2024.
- The fishery will move to four (4) consecutive landing days per week starting at 12:01 a.m. on November 5, 2024, until 92% of the Area 1 sub-ACL is caught. Landing days are Tuesdays from 12:01 a.m. through Fridays at 11:59 p.m. weekly with landings subject to applicable federal limits. This shall only occur if there is remaining Season 2 quota at that time. Quota availability will depend on how much is landed from October 10-11 and if the 1,000 mt reallocation from the Canadian weir fishery to the Area 1A sub-ACL occurs.
- During any period when landing days are set at zero (0) or during any applicable spawning closure, vessels may retain Atlantic sea herring caught within Management Area 1A under the Incidental and Small-Scale fishery limit which prohibits them from landing more than 2,000 pounds of Atlantic herring.

Violations of any condition or restriction contained herein or any provision of 322 CMR 9.00 may result in the suspension and revocation of your commercial fishing permit and any other applicable fine or penalty, as provided at G.L. c. 130. The Director may amend this Statement of Permit Conditions at any time.

Dated: September 24, 2024

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