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STATE WATERS SMALL MESH TRAWL FISHERY FOR LONGFIN SQUID TO CLOSE ON JUNE 10

The small-mesh trawl fishery for longfin squid in the Commonwealth's southern waters of Nantucket and Vineyard Sounds and south of the Islands will close as scheduled after Friday, June 9, 2023. Beginning on Saturday, June 10, trawlers may still fish within open waters with nets having 6 ½ inch or greater mesh in the cod end and 6 inches throughout the rest of the net.

Trawlers with a federal moratorium or incidental squid permit remain authorized to fish for squid in federal waters under the Trimester 2 (May-August) quota. Trawlers in possession of squid lawfully taken from the federal zone may transit Massachusetts waters and land this squid in Massachusetts ports.

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