

ATTENTION ANGLERS

2021 NJ Recreational Minimum Size, Possession Limits, & Seasons

- Fish are measured from the tip of the snout to tip of the tail (except Black Sea Bass and Sharks).
- Filleting of fish with a minimum size limit at sea is prohibited. See the Marine Digest or the Fish & Wildlife website for exceptions.

Hard Clam 1.5 inches Recreational Limit – 150 clams No harvest on Sunday Shellfish license required



Summer Flounder (Fluke) Del. Bay and Tributaries 3 Fish at 17 inches All Other Marine Waters 3 fish at 18 inches See Digest for IBSP and DE Bay Regulations Open Season: May 22 – Sept. 19



Weakfish 1 fish at 13 inches Open Season: Jan. 1 – Dec. 31



Black Sea Bass 10 fish at 12.5 inches May 15 – June 22 2 fish at 12.5 inches July 1 – August 31 10 fish at 12.5 inches Oct. 8—Oct. 31 15 fish at 13 inches Nov. 1—Dec. 31



Bluefish Private/Shore Angler - 3 fish For-Hire Vessel - 5 fish Open Season: Jan. 1 – Dec. 31





Striped Bass or Hybrid Striped Bass 1 fish at 28 inches to less than 38 inches See Digest for Striped Bass Bonus Program and Circle Hook Requirements

> Del. River and tributaries Calhoun St. Bridge, Trenton to Salem River and tributaries

Open Mar. 1 – Mar. 31 & June 1 – Dec. 31

Atlantic Ocean 0-3 miles from shore, no closed season Greater than 3 miles from shore, closed

All other marine waters, open Mar. 1 - Dec. 31

PROHIBITED SPECIES See the Marine edition of the NJ Fish & Wildlife Digest or Fish & Wildlife's website for a complete list.

Other Species	Possession Limit	Total Leng
American Eel	25	9"
Black Drum	33	16"
Cobia	1 per vessel	37"
Cod	NO LIMIT	21"
	NO LIMIT	18"
King Mackerel	3	23"
Pollock	NO LIMIT	19"
Red Drum	11	18-27"
River Herring	CLOSED	N/A
Scup (Porgy)	50	9"
Shad	6	NO LIMIT

 No American shad in a 	all other waters	
Spanish Mackerel	10	14"
American Lobster	6	3 3/8" to 5 1/4" Carapace Length

- LMA 4 Open Season: Jan. 1 Apr. 29 & June 1 Dec. 31
- LMA 5 Open Season: Jan. 1 Jan. 31 & Apr. 1 Dec. 31

Jonah Crab_____50____4 3/4" Carapace Width

Register before fishing! It's free, easy, and required. SaltwaterRegistry.nj.gov

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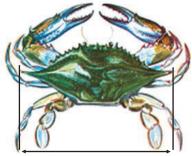
Tautog 15 inches 4 fish Jan. 1 – Feb. 28 4 fish Apr. 1 – Apr. 30 1 fish Aug. 1 – Nov. 15 5 fish Nov. 16 – Dec. 31



Winter Flounder 2 fish at 12 inches Open Season: Mar. 1 – Dec. 31



Shark 1 fish per vessel See NMFS for size, season, and gear restrictions



Blue Crab (measured point to point) Peeler or Shedder — 3 inches Soft — 3½ inches Hard — 4½ inches

Recreation Limit — One Bushel Crab pot/Trot line Seasons: Delaware Bay & tributaries <u>Apr. 6 — Dec. 4</u> All other waters Mar. 15 — Nov. 30

