



## **Commercial Summer Flounder Landing Limit Increase**

### **NOTICE**

**Effective immediately, the landing limit for the commercial harvest of summer flounder caught in trawl nets is increased from 7,000 pounds per week to 10,000 pounds per week.**

- Each weekly period will begin on Sunday at 0001 hours and end 7 days later on Saturday at 2359 hours.
- Call-in / Call-out is required under weekly landing limits: prior to departure and again prior to offloading call EnCon Police at 860.424.3503 (24/7) and provide vessel name, Captain's name, departure date, return date, port of landing and prior to offloading the hail weight of summer flounder and black sea bass onboard.
- For all other gears the possession limit remains 1,000 pounds.

The transfer of summer flounder between vessels at sea is prohibited. In any instance where there is a violation of the possession limit on board a vessel carrying more than one person when the catch is commingled, the violation shall be deemed to have been committed by the owner of the vessel, or the operator of the vessel, if the owner is not on board. When any person on a vessel is commercial fishing, the commercial possession limit applies to the entire vessel and no person on that vessel may also possess fish under a recreational creel limit.

### **For current commercial fishery trip limits and quota status:**

**Call 860-434-6374 24/7 for a recorded message of current possession limits or see: [www.ct.gov/deep/TL](http://www.ct.gov/deep/TL).**

The Department monitors landings and adjusts trip limits according to Department regulations in an attempt to provide fishing opportunity throughout the year for all participants in the commercial fishery. In addition, the Department strives to provide advance notification of trip limit changes, although this may not always be possible due to rapidly escalating or unanticipated landings. In such circumstances, only a short notification period may be possible.

The information provided in this notice is a summary of possession limits and other general rules only. For complete information on commercial fishing regulations please see: <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DEEP/fishing/commercial/marinecircpdf.pdf>, or contact the DEEP Marine Fisheries Program by email at [deep.marine.fisheries@ct.gov](mailto:deep.marine.fisheries@ct.gov), by mail at PO Box 719, Old Lyme, CT 06371 or leaving a voicemail at 860.434.6043 between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

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efforts to provide an accommodation, please request all accommodations as soon as possible following notice of any agency hearing, meeting, program or event.