

7.1 Current Possession limit: If no current possession limit is noted in the table below, refer to RI Marine Fisheries Regulations (RIMFR) Part 7 – Finfish, for the sub-period starting possession limit for all species other than Striped bass, Menhaden, and Horseshoe crabs. For Striped bass, refer to RIMFR Part 12 – Striped Bass; for Horseshoe crabs, refer to RIMFR Part 15 - Lobsters, Other Crustaceans, and Horseshoe Crabs; and for Menhaden, refer to RIMFR Part 16 - Menhaden.

Species	Current possession limit	Effective dates
Atlantic Herring – Area 1A	OPEN UNLIMITED <u>Directed Fishery is CLOSED; 2,000 lbs/vessel/calendar day bycatch allowance.</u>	Effective 12:01AM on January 4 <u>November 2, 2015, until the season re-opens on January 1, 2016 (unlimited).</u>
Atlantic Herring – Area 1B	Directed Fishery is CLOSED; 2,000 lbs/vessel/calendar day <u>OPEN UNLIMITED</u>	Effective 12:01AM on May 28, 2014 <u>November 2, 2015</u> , until the next fishing season <u>re-opens on May 1, 2015</u> <u>January 1, 2016 (unlimited).</u>
Atlantic Herring – Area 2	OPEN UNLIMITED	Effective 12:01AM on October 29, 2013, until further notice <u>January 1, 2015, until the season re-opens on January 1, 2016 (unlimited).</u>
Atlantic Herring – Area 3	Directed Fishery is CLOSED; 2,000 lbs/vessel/calendar day bycatch allowance.	Effective 12:01AM on September 26, 2014, until further notice <u>October 22, 2015 until the season re-opens on May 1, 2016 (unlimited).</u>
Menhaden – In State Waters outside the Menhaden Mgmt. Area	OPEN at 120,000 lbs/vessel/day <u>CLOSED</u>	Effective 12:01AM on May 29 <u>November 1, 2015</u> , until further notice.
Tautog	CLOSED	Effective 12:01AM on May 24 <u>November 2, 2015, until the next fishing season begins on April 15, 2016 at ten (10) fish/vessel/calendar day.</u>