

## **Commercial Black Sea Bass Fishery Possession Limit Increase**

**Effective 0001 hours Sunday, November 17, 2024, the possession limit for the commercial harvest of black sea bass will be:**

- 2,500 pounds per weekly period for endorsement letter holders
- Reminder: each weekly period begins on Sunday at 0001 hours and ends 7 days later on Saturday at 2359 hours.

The Department estimates, as of Wednesday, November 13, 2024, 74.2% of Connecticut's 2024 commercial black sea bass quota has been landed.

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.

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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