

Fisheries Regulatory & Penalty Update

Dates Covered: 7/13/16 to 10/10/16

Public Notices Issued

View Public Notices at <http://dnr.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/notices.aspx>

- 7/15/16 — Corrected 2016 Commercial Shark Catch Limits
- 7/18/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — MD Water Holdings, LLC
- 7/29/16 — Commercial Striped Bass Common Pool Hook & Line Season Modification
- 8/1/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — Eric Wisner #304
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- 8/10/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Leases — Harold A. McBee, Jr. & Brian Connelly
- 8/11/16 — Public Hearing on Proposed Blue Crab Regulations
- 8/18/16 — Commercial Spiny Dogfish Landing Limits — Updated August 2016
- 8/22/16 — Public Hearing on Proposed Regulations for Urbana Lake Fishery Management Area
- 8/24/16 — 2016 Commercial Atlantic Menhaden Daily Catch Limits
- 8/26/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — Harold A. McBee, Jr. & Brian Connelly
- 9/2/16 — Commercial Striped Bass Common Pool Hook & Line Season Modification
- 9/7/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — Christine L. Weber & William F. Henderson, Jr.
- 9/7/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — John T. Barnette & Denise Barnette
- 9/15/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — Samuel R. Leonard, Jr. & Karen G. Leonard
- 9/16/16 — Kent and Charles County Public Shellfish Fishery Area Closures
- 9/21/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — Honga Oyster Company, LLC
- 9/30/16 — Commercial Striped Bass Common Pool Hook & Line Season Modification
- 10/4/16 — Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease — Richard L. Calloway, Jr.
- 10/5/16 — Applications for Shellfish Aquaculture Leases — Hollywood Oyster Company, LLC (#309 & #311)

Regulations that became Effective

- General — 08.02.01.01 — Effective 8/29/16
Incorporates Amendment 1 to the 1991 Chesapeake Bay American Eel FMP
- General — 08.02.01.02 — Effective 8/29/16
Clarifies commercial requirements
- General — 08.02.01.13 — Effective 8/29/16
Creates regulations for scientific collection permits
- Shellfish — General — 08.02.08.06 and .10 — Effective 9/12/16
Regulations for Jonah crab, updates lobster to be consistent with ASMFC
- Blue Crab — 08.02.03.15 — Effective 10/10/16
Crabbing charter decal effective dates changed from yearly to commercial license year.

Regulations that have been Proposed and are Following the APA Process

View Maryland Register at <http://www.dsd.state.md.us/MDR/mdregister.html>

View Proposed Regulations at <http://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Pages/regulations/proposed.aspx>

- General — Fishery Management Areas — Proposed — 08.02.01.13
Maryland Register 8/5/16, Comment Period Ended 9/15/16, Final Action under review
Limits hunting at Urbana Lake Fishery Management Area to the use of archery equipment only.
- Shellfish Aquaculture — Proposed — 08.02.23.03 and .04
Maryland Register 9/2/16, Comment Period Ends 10/3/16, Scheduled Effective 11/7/16
Removes the registration card requirement for individuals that are supervised by a permittee and some housekeeping changes for clarification.
- General — Commercial License Targets — Proposed — 08.02.01.05
Maryland Register 11/14/16, Comment Period Ends 12/14/16, Scheduled Effective 01/17
New targets based on license conversions made during the 2015/2016 license year.
- Horseshoe Crabs — Proposed — 08.02.10.01
Maryland Register 11/14/16, Comment Period Ends 12/14/16, Scheduled Effective 01/17
Requires that horseshoe crabs be harvested from a vessel, no harvest from shore.
- Fish — Scup — Proposed — 08.02.05.22
Maryland Register 11/14/16, Comment Period Ends 12/14/16, Scheduled Effective 01/17
Changes the minimum mesh size for trawls from 4.5” to 5”

Emergency Regulations in Effect

None

Commercial Fishing Suspension and Revocation List

Last updated 9/26/16. View List at

http://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/Commercial_Fishing_SuspensionsRevocations.pdf

Recreational Fishing Suspension and Revocation List

Last updated 5/5/16. View List at

<http://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/RecSuspensions.pdf>