



# Northeast Region Bulletin

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## **ATLANTIC HERRING FISHERY**

### Management Area 3 Accountability

#### Measures

Herring catch limited to 2,000 lb per trip/day

*Effective Date: October 24, 2013*

Effective 1200 hours, October 24, 2013, through December 31, 2013, vessels issued Federal Atlantic herring permits may not fish for, catch, possess or land more than 2,000 lb (907.2 kg) of herring from Area 3 per trip or calendar day, except that vessels that have entered port before 1200 hours, October 24, 2013 may offload and sell, from that trip, more than 2,000 lb of herring from Area 3.

Federally permitted dealers may not receive from a vessel more than 2,000 lb of herring per vessel harvested from Area 3, per trip or calendar day, from 1200 hours, October 24, 2013, until the start of the 2013 fishing year on January 1, 2014, unless it is from a trip landed by a vessel that entered port before 1200 hours, October 24, 2013.

During the period of the reduced trip limit, vessels may transit through Area 3 with more than 2,000 lb of herring on board, provided the vessels did not catch the herring in Area 3 and stow all fishing gear aboard, making it unavailable for immediate use. On January 1, 2014, the quota for Area 3 for the 2014 Atlantic herring fishing year will become available, and the reduced trip limit will expire.

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