

# Number of Traps per Trawl Conservation Equivalency PROPOSAL



# EXAMPLE

- New Hampshire licensed and/or federal permitted lobster harvester,
- Fish in federal waters between 3 and 12 miles within Lobster Management Area 1,
- The current traps per trawl (ten traps/trawl), and
- The associated baseline vertical lines based on current regulations.

Current			
Traps	Traps/Trawl	# Trawls with 10 traps per trawl	Baseline Vertical Lines
800	10	80	160
600	10	60	120

## Without Conservation Equivalency Program

Traps	Traps/Trawl	# Trawls based on traps/trawl	Vertical Lines based on traps/trawl	Baseline Vertical Lines if at 10 traps per trawl
800	9	89	178	160
600	9	67	133	120
800	8	100	200	160
600	8	75	150	120
800	7	114	229	160
600	7	86	171	120
800	6	133	267	160
600	6	100	200	120

### With Conservation Equivalency

Traps	# trap tags returned to State	# of reduced traps (reduce # of trap tags)	Proposed Traps/Trawl	# of trawls (based on proposed traps per trawl)	# of Vertical Lines (Baseline)	# of Vertical Lines reduced from Baseline
800	100 (+10*)	700	9	78	156 (160)	4
600	100 (+10*)	500	9	56	111 (120)	9
800	200 (+20*)	600	8	75	150 (160)	10
600	150 (+15*)	450	8	56	113 (120)	8
800	250 (+25*)	550	7	79	157 (160)	3
600	200 (+20*)	400	7	57	114 (120)	6
800	350 (+35*)	450	6	75	150 (160)	10
600	250 (+25*)	350	6	58	117 (120)	3

\*-10% replacement trap tags

**QUESTIONS?**

