

Northeast Skate Complex Bait Fishery Weekly Report

For week ending:
For data reported through:
Quota Period:
Quota Period Dates:

October 29, 2016
November 3, 2016
Bait Season 2, FY2016
08/01/16 to 10/31/2016

Previously Reported Landings (Pounds)	Previous Weeks' Updates (Pounds)	Current Week's Landings (Pounds)	Cumulative Landings (Pounds)	Quota (Pounds)	Percent of Quota (%)
3,255,857	7,500	107,150	3,370,507	3,449,965	98

Notice: NOAA Fisheries announces the reduction of the skate bait commercial possession limit from 25,000 lb to 9,307 lb per trip of whole weight (4,100 lb of skate wings).

This reduction is effective October 17, 2016. Vessels holding federal skate permits and skate bait letters of authorization may not possess or land more than 9,307 lb of skate bait per trip for the remainder of Season 2 (through October 31).

The possession limit will increase to 25,000 lb per trip on November 1, 2016.

Vessels that have started a fishing trip before October 17 may retain skate bait under the previous possession limit of 25,000 lb for the remainder of that trip.

These data are the best available to NOAA Fisheries Service when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NOAA Fisheries Service by dealers via Dealer Electronic Reporting to the Standard Atlantic Fisheries Information System (SAFIS) and/or by state agencies and may be preliminary. Discrepancies with data from previous Weekly Landings Reports are due to corrections made to the database.



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