

**AMENDMENT 1 TO THE NORTHEAST FISHERY SECTOR XII
OPERATIONS PLAN**

APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE APRIL 26, 2011

EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2011, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2012 - THE 2011 FISHING YEAR

This amendment officially recognizes the FY 2011 exemptions approved for the Northeast Fishery Sector XII:

1. 120-Day Block Requirement Out of the Fishery for Day Gillnet Vessels
2. Limitation on the Number of Gillnets that May be Hauled on Georges Bank when Fishing Under a Groundfish/Monkfish Days-at-Sea (DAS)
3. Limitation on the Number of Gillnets for Day Gillnet Vessels
4. 20-Day Spawning Block
5. Length and Horsepower Restrictions of the DAS Leasing Program
6. Discarding Exemption
7. Dockside Monitoring (DSM) requirements for Vessels Fishing West of 72°30' W. long.
8. DSM Requirements for Vessels Fishing on Both a Monkfish and Multispecies DAS in the Southern Fishery Management Area (SFMA) using 10-inch or Greater Mesh