

**AMENDMENT 4 TO THE NORTHEAST FISHERY SECTOR V  
SECTOR OPERATIONS PLAN**

APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE JULY 1, 2011

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

This amendment approves an additional exemption for Northeast Fishery Sector V. The new exemption is from the:

1. Requirement to maintain a vessel monitoring system (VMS) powered while at the dock

The following exemptions were previously approved for Northeast Fishery Sector V and remain in effect:

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 Day-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. Trawl Gear Restrictions in the U.S./Canada Management Area
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