PUBLIC NOTICE

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources Fishing and Boating Services

2025 Summer Flounder Fishery — Effective 1/11/2025

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces the season, catch limit, and minimum size for the 2025 summer flounder fishery. The following rules are effective 12:01 a.m. January 11, 2025:

SEASON

The season is open January 11, 2025 – December 31, 2025

RECREATIONAL MINIMUM SIZE

- January 11, 2025 May 31, 2025: 16 inches
- June 1, 2025 December 31, 2025: 17-1/2 inches

RECREATIONAL CATCH LIMIT

4 fish/person/day

COMMERCIAL MINIMUM SIZE

- Hook and Line:
 - o January 11, 2025 May 31, 2025: 16 inches
 - o June 1, 2025 December 31, 2025: 17 1-/2 inches
- Gear other than Hook and Line: 14 inches

WHY THIS IS NECESSARY

This action is necessary to implement the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fishery Management Plan.

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This applies to all individuals who catch summer flounder recreationally or commercially.

AUTHORITY

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.05.12

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