

PART Fis 603 RULES FOR CERTAIN FIN FISH SPECIES

**Readopt with amendment Fis 603.08, eff 11-1-18 (Doc #12655, EXEMPT) to read as follows:**

Fis 603.08 Striped Bass.

(a) No person shall take, possess, or transport striped bass unless the fish is at least 28 inches in total length and less than 35 inches in total length. Striped bass shall have head and tail intact while on or leaving the waters or shores of the state except as follows:

(1) A person may possess up to 2 striped bass fillets so long as they also possess the fish rack that the fillets came from with the head and tail intact and the rack measures at least 28 inches in total length;

(2) Any striped bass fillet shall have the skin still attached for the purpose of identification of the fillet as striped bass.

(b) No person shall possess more than the daily creel limit of 1 fish.

(c) There shall be no closed season for the taking of striped bass.

(d) The sale of striped bass shall be prohibited regardless of origin.

(e) The taking of striped bass shall be prohibited by netting in any form except that striped bass may be landed by the use of a hand held dip net.

(f) The taking of striped bass by gaffing shall be prohibited.

(g) No person shall cull any striped bass taken from or while on the waters under the jurisdiction of the state.

(h) Any person taking striped bass with bait from the waters of the state by angling shall only use corrodible non-offset circle hooks.

**Readopt with amendment Fis 603.15, eff. 4-1-05 (Doc #8303) EXEMPT, to read as follows:**

Fis 603.15 Bluefish.

(a) No person shall take by angling from the waters of the state, or possess while on or leaving the waters of the state, more than 3 bluefish in one day, provided that a person angling from a licensed saltwater for hire vessel may take or possess 5 bluefish per day.

(b) From October 1 through June 30 no person shall take by any method from the waters of the state, or possess while on or leaving the waters of the state, bluefish for the purpose of sale.

(c) Any person taking bluefish with bait from the waters of the state by angling shall only use corrodible non-offset circle hooks.