## 2017 NJ Recreational Minimum Size, Possession Limits & Seasons

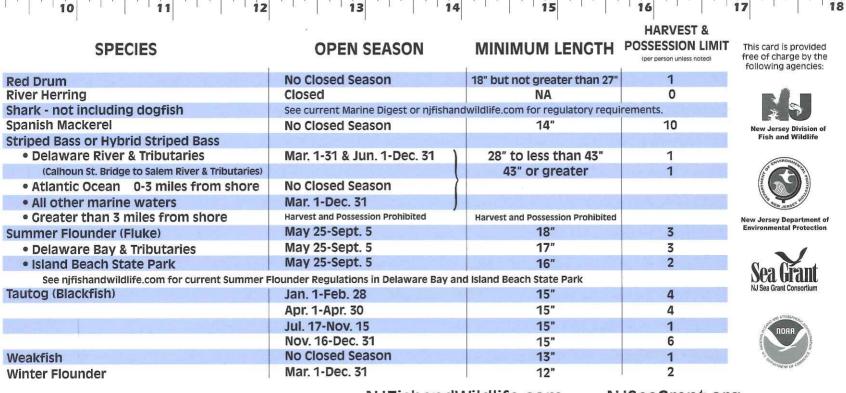
SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	MINIMUM LENGTH	HARVEST & POSSESSION LIMIT (per person unless noted)
American Eel	No Closed Season	9"	25
Black Drum	No Closed Season	16"	3
Black Sea Bass*	May 26-Jun. 18	12.5" exc. tail filaments	10
	Jul. 1-Aug. 31	12.5" exc. tail filaments	2
	Fall/Winter Seasons	To Be Determined	To Be Determined
Blue Crab - Peeler or Shedder	Crab Pot/Trot line Seasons:	3"	Recreational limit -
Soft	Delaware Bay & Tributaries:	3.5"	One Bushel
Hard	Apr. 6-Dec. 4	4.5"	
	All other waters: Mar. 15-Nov. 30	Point to Point	
Bluefish (Snapper)	No Closed Season	No minimum	15
Cod	No Closed Season	21"	No Limit
Cobia	No Closed Season	37"	2
Pollock	No Closed Season	19"	No Limit
Porgy (Scup)	Jan. 1-Feb. 28 & July 1-Dec. 31	9"	50

For more information on what catch is safe to eat, visit: FishSmartEatSmartNJ.org

Fish are measured from tip of snout to tip of tail (except Black Sea Bass and Sharks). No species of fish with a minimum size limit listed above may be filleted or cleaned at sea.



<sup>\*</sup>Notice - Possible in-season changes. See NJFishandWildlife.com for current regulations.



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