

NORTHEAST REGION SUMMARY SETTLEMENT SCHEDULE

VIOLATION	VIOLATION HISTORY - PENALTY AMOUNT	
	FIRST	SUBSEQUENT
VIOLATIONS REGARDING THE METHOD OF FISHING/ GEAR		
Possess or retain a billfish by a vessel with a pelagic longline aboard or harvested by gear other than rod and reel	\$750	NOVA
Failure to release an Atlantic HMS in the manner specified	\$250	\$500
VIOLATIONS REGARDING THE FACILITATION OF ENFORCEMENT		
Improperly Marked Gear	\$50/per trap or net, etc. up to 10 traps, nets, etc.	NOVA
Failure to affix and maintain vessel markings (void of all vessel markings)	\$100	\$250
Failure to monitor channel 16	\$50	\$250
Failure to provide a safe boarding ladder	\$50	\$250
VIOLATIONS REGARDING PERMITS, REPORTING, DOCUMENTATION		
Commercial seafood dealer / seafood processor - possess HMS without required documentation	\$500	\$1000

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Fish for, catch, possess, retain or land Atlantic HMS without a valid permit (recreational fishery only)	\$500, plus abandon/seize catch, and issue a fix-it notice requiring the vessel to obtain a valid permit within 30 days	NOVA
Failure to report taking of tuna tagged under a tag and release program	\$100/fish	NOVA
Failure to register for an Annual Certificate for fishing operations in Category I and II fisheries	\$100	NOVA
Failure to provide a current valid NOAA Operator's Permit (issued and current, but not on board)	\$250	\$500 Second violation, only
Failure to submit or complete required dealer or fishing vessel log book reports (if no related violation)	\$250	\$500 Second violation, only
Failure to report (marine mammals)	\$750	NOVA
Failure to declare "block" time out of fishery (if no related violation)	\$100	\$250
Failure to maintain operating VMS unit (Dockside only)	\$400	\$400/day, up to 7 days Second violation, only
Failure to declare the proper fishing code in the vessel's VMS unit	\$250	\$750 Second violation, only

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Failure to affix a numbered tail tag or record the tag number on a container	\$500/ fish	NOVA
VIOLATIONS REGARDING FISHING/POSSESSING/DEALING AT WRONG TIME/PLACE		
Possess striped bass in the EEZ (recreational only)	\$100/fish (up to 10 fish) plus abandon/seize illegal fish	\$250/fish (up to 10 fish) plus abandon/seize illegal fish
Possess dogfish during closed season or in excess of possession limit:		
By-Catch:	2x value of fish up to \$1,000, plus abandon/seize illegal fish	NOVA
Directed fishery:	3x value of fish up to \$1,000, plus abandon/seize illegal fish	NOVA

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VIOLATIONS REGARDING SIZE/CONDITION/QUANTITY OF FISH		
Condition of Fish		
Retain on board, possess, or land female berried lobsters or V-notched female lobsters	\$250/lobster, plus abandon/seize illegal lobster (Maximum 4 lobsters)	NOVA
Fail to maintain an Atlantic HMS in the form specified	\$250	NOVA
Size of Fish		
Possess an HMS less than the minimum size limit (< 2 inches undersize)	\$250	NOVA
Retain on board, land, or possess at or after landing, undersized or oversized lobsters	\$50/lobster, plus abandon/seize illegal lobster (Maximum 10 lobsters)	NOVA
Possession of multispecies and summer flounder smaller than required minimum size		
(0 to 4.99%) _____	\$250	\$500
(5 to 10%) _____	\$750	\$1000

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Quantity of Fish		
Exceed recreational catch limit for HMS	\$100/fish over the limit, up to 5 fish, plus abandon/seize overage	\$200/fish over the limit, up to 5 fish, plus abandon/seize overage
Possess more than the permitted amount of lobsters	\$50/lobster, plus abandon/seize overage (Maximum 10 lobsters)	NOVA
Land in excess of landing limit (except for lobsters, HMS, and Scallops from exemption areas)		
(0 to 4.99%) _____	\$100, plus abandon/seize illegal catch	\$100, plus abandon/seize illegal catch
(5 to 10%) _____	\$2.00/lb of overage up to \$1,000, plus abandon/seize illegal catch	\$2.00/lb of overage up to \$1,000, plus abandon/seize illegal catch

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MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT		
Failure to report the taking of marine mammal	\$750	NOVA
LACEY ACT		
Import, export, transport, sell, receive, acquire, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce v-notch female lobster possessed, transported, or sold in violation of any law or regulation of any State or in violation of any foreign law	\$250/lobster, plus abandon/seize illegal lobster (Maximum 10 lobsters)	NOVA