



# Northeast Region Bulletin

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## **LONGFIN SQUID FISHERY**

### Trimester 1 Closure

Longfin squid catch limited to 2,500 lb per trip/day

*Effective Date: 0001 hours, April 17, 2012*

Eighty percent of the butterfish mortality cap in the longfin squid fishery has been projected to be harvested. Therefore, the Trimester 1 directed fishery for longfin squid (formerly known as *Loligo* squid) is closed as of 0001 hours, April 17, 2012. Vessels issued Federal longfin squid permits may not fish for, catch, possess or land more than 2,500 lb of longfin beginning April 17, 2012, per trip or calendar day through the start of Trimester 2 on May 1, 2012.

Federally permitted dealers may not purchase more than 2,500 lb of longfin squid per vessel beginning at 0001 hours, April 17, 2012, per trip or calendar day until the start of Trimester 2 on May 1, 2012.

*For small entity compliance guides, this bulletin complies with section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act of 1996. This notice is authorized by the Regional Administrator of the National Marine Fisheries Service, Northeast Region.*