

**AMENDMENT 1 TO THE GEORGES BANK (GB) COD FIXED GEAR SECTOR
OPERATIONS PLAN**

APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE APRIL 26, 2011

EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2011, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2012 - THE 2011 FISHING YEAR

This amendment officially recognizes the FY 2011 exemptions approved for the GB Cod Fixed Gear Sector:

1. 120-Day Block Requirement Out of the Fishery for Day Gillnet Vessels
2. Prohibition on a Vessel Hauling Another Vessel's Gillnet Gear
3. Limitation on the Number of Gillnets that May be Hauled on GB when Fishing Under a Groundfish/Monkfish Days-at-Sea (DAS)
4. Limitation on the Number of Gillnets for Day Gillnet Vessels
5. 20-Day Spawning Block
6. Limitation on the Number of Hooks that May be Fished
7. Length and Horsepower Restrictions of the DAS Leasing Program
8. Gulf of Maine (GOM) Sink Gillnet Mesh Exemption
9. Prohibition on the use of squid or mackerel as bait in the Closed Area I (CA I) Hook Gear Haddock Special Access Program (SAP)
10. Discarding Exemption
11. GOM Sink Gillnet Mesh Exemption in May
12. Submission of Daily Catch Reports by Sector Managers for Vessels that Fish in the CA I Hook Gear Haddock SAP
13. Vessel Monitoring System Requirements when a Vessel is at the Dock
14. Dockside Monitoring (DSM) requirements for Vessels Fishing West of 72°30' W. long.
15. DSM Requirements for Handgear A-permitted Sector Vessels