



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE
NORTHEAST REGION
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SMALL ENTITY COMPLIANCE GUIDE

CLOSURE OF THE 2006 PERIOD 2 SPINY DOGFISH FISHERY

Dear Spiny Dogfish Permit Holder:

NMFS has determined that the 2006 Period 2 quota for spiny dogfish fishery has been harvested. Therefore, **effective 0001 hours, December 19, 2006, the fishery for spiny dogfish is closed and vessels issued Federal permits for spiny dogfish may not fish for, possess, transfer or land any spiny dogfish until 0001 hours, May 1, 2007, at which time the Period 1 quota for the 2007 fishing year becomes available.**

You may also receive permit holder letters, including closure notices, by e-mail by clicking on "Permit Holder Letters" on our website at <http://www.nero.noaa.gov>; or via fax by providing a fax number through a written request to the above address, or by faxing your request to 978-281-9135.¹

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Kurkul
Regional Administrator

¹*This small entity compliance guide complies with section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996.*

