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## **SMALL ENTITY COMPLIANCE GUIDE**

### **2004 ATLANTIC HERRING SPECIFICATIONS**

Dear Atlantic Herring Permit Holder:

This letter announces final specifications for the 2004 fishing year for Atlantic herring, which are summarized in Attachment 1. You may also receive permit holder letters, including closure notices, by e-mail by clicking on "NOAA Fisheries News Releases" 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. This small entity compliance guide complies with section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia A. Kurkul".

Patricia A. Kurkul  
Regional Administrator



ATTACHMENT 1

**Final Specifications and Area TACs  
for the  
2004 Atlantic Herring Fishery**

<b>FISHING YEAR JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2004 (METRIC TONS)</b>	
<b>Specifications</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
ABC	300,000
OY	250,000
DAH	250,000
DAP	226,000
JVPt	20,000
JVP	10,000 (Area 2 and 3 only)
IWP	10,000
USAP	20,000 (Area 2 and 3 only)
BT	4,000
TALFF	0
Reserve	0
TAC - Area 1A	60,000 (January 1--May 31, landings cannot exceed 6,000)
TAC - Area 1B	10,000
TAC - Area 2	50,000 (TAC reserve: 70,000)
TAC - Area 3	60,000

Optimum yield (OY), Domestic Annual Harvest (DAH), Domestic Annual Processing (DAP), Total Foreign Processing (JVpt), Joint Venture Processing (JVP), Internal Waters Processing (IWP), U.S. At-sea Processing (USAP), Border Transfer (BT), Total Allowable Level of Foreign Fishing (TALFF), and Total Allowable Catch (TAC).