### Daily Recreational Bag Limit:
- **Snapper Aggregate Bag Limit** – Within state waters of the Atlantic and Gulf, all species of snapper are included in a 10 fish per harvester per day aggregate bag limit in any combination of snapper species, unless stated otherwise.

- **Season** – If no seasonal information is provided, the species is open year-round.

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### Minimum Size Limits:
- **Snapper, Cubera**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 12" (see below)
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 5 per harvester

- **Snapper, Red**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 16"
  - **Season:**
    - Atlantic - Open year-round
    - Gulf - to be determined
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 2 per harvester
    - Gulf - Zero daily bag and possession limit for captain and crew on for-hire vessels.

- **Snapper, Vermilion**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 12"
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 5 per harvester
    - Gulf - 10 per harvester not included within snapper aggregate bag limit

### Other Snapper

- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - **Bag and Mahogany, Atlantic and Gulf - 12"**
  - **No minimum size limit for other snappers**

### Daily Recreational Bag Limit:
- **Atlantic and Gulf - 10 per harvester**

### Grouper

- **Atlantic Grouper General Regulations:**
  - **Atlantic grouper regulations apply to all state waters of the Atlantic and state waters off Monroe County (Gulf and Atlantic sides).**
  - **Atlantic Grouper/Tilefish Aggregate Bag Limit** – Includes all species of grouper plus golden tilefish and blueline tilefish in a 3 fish per harvester per day aggregate bag limit in any combination of species.
  - **Season** – If no seasonal information is provided, the species is open year-round.

- **Gulf Grouper Aggregate Bag Limit** – All species of grouper in the Gulf are included in a 4 fish per harvester per day aggregate bag limit in any combination of grouper species.
  - **Season** – If no seasonal information is provided, the species is open year-round.

### Minimum Size Limits:
- **Grouper, Black**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic - 24"
    - Gulf - 16"
  - **Season:**
    - Atlantic - Closed Jan. 1-April 30
    - Gulf - Open year-round
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic - 3 per harvester
    - Gulf - 4 per harvester

- **Grouper, Scamp**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic - 20"
    - Gulf - 16"
  - **Season:**
    - Atlantic - Closed Jan. 1-April 30
    - Gulf - Open year-round
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic - 3 per harvester
    - Gulf - 4 per harvester

- **Grouper, Snowy**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - None
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic - 1 per harvester
    - Gulf - 4 per harvester

- **Grouper, Vermilion**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 12"
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 5 per harvester
    - Gulf - 10 per harvester not included within snapper aggregate bag limit

- **Grouper, Yellowtail**
  - **Minimum Size Limits:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 12" total length
  - **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
    - Atlantic and Gulf - 10 per harvester

### Other Grouper

- **Atlantic and Gulf - 10 per harvester**
- **Gulf - 100 pounds per harvester, not included within snapper aggregate bag limit**

- **Atlantic and Gulf - 1 per vessel per day of each species**

- **Rock Hind, Red Hind, Coney, Graysby, Misty and Yellowedge**

### Season:
- **Atlantic - Closed Jan. 1-April 30**
- **Gulf - Open year-round**
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - Atlantic - 3 per harvester
  - Gulf - 4 per harvester

- **Other Grouper Includes:**
  - **Atlantic - 3 per harvester**
  - **Gulf - 4 per harvester**
Reef Fish

Other Reef Fish (If no season information is provided, the species is open year-round)

**Amberjack, Greater**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic - 28” fork length
  - Gulf - 34” fork length
- **Season:**
  - Atlantic - Open year-round
  - Gulf - Open May 1-May 31, Aug. 1-Oct. 31
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - Atlantic and Gulf - 1 per harvester

**Tilefish, Blueline**
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - Atlantic - 3 per harvester per day
  - Gulf - 100 pounds or 2 per harvester, whichever is greater
- **Season:**
  - Atlantic - Open May 1-Aug. 31
  - Gulf - Open year-round

**Remarks**
- Bluefin tilefish included within Atlantic grouper aggregate bag limits

**Great Barracuda**
- **Regulations only apply in Collier, Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, and Martin counties.**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic - 18” fork length
  - Gulf - 14” fork length
- **Season:**
  - Atlantic - Open May 1-Oct. 31
  - Gulf - Open year-round

**Hogfish**
- **Atlantic regulations apply to Monroe County. Includes all waters south of Cape Sable.**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic - 12” fork length
  - Gulf - 15” fork length
- **Season:**
  - Atlantic - Open year-round
  - Gulf - Open March 1-May 31, Aug. 1-Dec. 31

**Triggerfish (Gray)**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic - 24” fork length
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 2 per harvester per day, not to exceed 2 per vessel

**Red Porgy**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic - 14”
  - Gulf - None
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - Atlantic - 3 per harvester
  - Gulf - 100 pounds

**Tilefish, Golden**
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - Atlantic - 1 per harvester
  - Gulf - 100 pounds or 2 per person, whichever is greater
- **Remarks**
  - Golden tilefish included within Atlantic grouper aggregate bag limits

**Amberjack, Lesser & Banded Rudderfish**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic and Gulf - 5 per person aggregate of the two species

**Black Sea Bass**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic - 47” lower jaw fork length
  - Gulf - 47” lower jaw fork length
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 2 per harvester per day, not to exceed 2 per vessel

**Pelagics**

**Billfish**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Sailfish 63”;
  - Blue Marlin 99”;
  - White Marlin 66”;
  - Roundscale Spearfish 66”
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 1 per harvester aggregate bag limit
- **Remarks**
  - Measured tip of lower jaw to fork. All landed fish must be reported to NOAA within 24 hours 800-894-5528.
  - HMS permit required in federal waters.

**Blackfin Tuna**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - No minimum size limit
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 2 fish per person or 10 fish per vessel per day, whichever is greater.

**Mackerel, King**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - 24” fork length
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - Atlantic (excluding Monroe) - 2 per harvester
  - Gulf (including Monroe) - 3 per harvester
- **Remarks**
  - Bag limit reduced to 1 in some state waters if federal waters are closed to recreational harvest.

**Mackerel, Spanish**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - 12” fork length
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 15 per harvester

**Swordfish**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - 47” lower jaw fork length
  - Gulf - None
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 1 per harvester per day, not to exceed a maximum of 4 per recreational (not for-hire) vessel or 15 per for-hire vessel
- **Remarks**
  - All landed fish must be reported to NOAA within 24 hours 800-894-5528.
  - HMS permit required in federal waters.
  - Zero daily bag and possession limit for captain and crew of for-hire vessels.

**Wahoo**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - None
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 2 per harvester

**Cobia (Ling)**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - 33” fork length
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - Atlantic - 1 per harvester not to exceed 6 per vessel
  - Gulf - 1 per harvester, not to exceed 2 per vessel

**Tripletail**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - 18”
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 2 per harvester
- **Remarks**
  - Hook and line only. No snatch hooks.

**Dolphinfish**
- **Minimum Size Limits:**
  - Atlantic - 20” fork length
  - Gulf - None
- **Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
  - 10 per harvester per day, not to exceed 60 per vessel per day. Vessel limit does not apply to for-hire vessels.
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**Bay Scallops**

*Season:*
- Gulf County: Aug. 16–Sept. 24
- Franklin NW Taylor County: July 1–Sept. 24
- Dade and remaining Taylor County: June 15–Labor Day
- Levy, Citrus and Hernando counties: July 1–Sept. 24
- Pasco County: 10 days starting on 3rd Friday in July

**Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
- 2 gallons whole or 1 pint meat per harvester; no more than 10 gallons whole or 1/4 gallon meat per vessel anytime
- Dade and remaining Taylor County: From June 15–30, one gallon whole/one cup meat per person or five gallons whole/two pints meat per vessel, whichever is less

**Remarks**
- Harvest allowed only in state waters of the Gulf of Mexico from the Pinellas - Pasco county line, to the west bank of the Mexico Beach Canal in Bay County. Direct transit through closed areas permitted.

**Shrimp**

*Closed Season:*
- April & May closed in Nassau, Duval, St. Johns, Putnam, Flagler & Clay counties

**Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
- 5 gallons heads on per harvester or vessel, whichever is less

**Remarks**
- Visit MyFWC.com/Fishing and select “Saltwater”, “Regulations” and “Shrimp” for additional regulations specific to Dade, Nassau and Duval counties
- See 68B-31 F.A.C for more information on areas closed to shrimping

**Clams (Hard)**

*Minimum Size Limit:*
- 1” thick across hinge

**Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
- One 5 gal. bucket per harvester or 2 per vessel (whole in shell)

**Remarks**
- Illegal to harvest from closed areas.
- Go to www.FloridaAquaculture.com for allowable construction requirements and specific requirements that apply in Miami-Dade, Monroe and Collier. Illegal to harvest only egg-bearing crabs. Harvest of egg-bearing crabs prohibited. See how to properly de-claw on our website. New trap registration requirements, visit GoOutdoorsFlorida.com to register.

**Crab, Blue**

*Closed Season:*
- Regional trap closures apply. Visit MyFWC.com for 2022 trap closure dates and locations.

**Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
- 10 gallons whole per harvester

**Remarks**
- 5 traps maximum. Trap requirements apply. Visit MyFWC.com for statewide trap registration requirements, visit GoOutdoorsFlorida.com to register.

**Prohibited Species**

It is unlawful to harvest, possess, land, purchase, sell or exchange the following species:

**Bay Scallops**

*Minimum Size Limit:*
- Carapace must be greater than 3” measured in the water

**Seasons:**
- Sport Season open July 27–28, 2022
- Regular Season opens Aug. 6 through March 31

**Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
- 6 per harvester per day in Monroe County and Biscayne National Park, 12 in all other harvest areas.
- Regular Season: 6 per harverster in all areas

**Remarks**
- Recreational trapping prohibited. Spiny lobster permit required when license required. Harvest of egg-bearing females prohibited.

**Crab, Stone**

*Minimum Size Limit:*
- 2 7/8” claw

**Closed Season:**
- May 2–Oct. 14

**Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
- 1 gal. claws per harverster or 2 gal. per vessel, whichever is less

**Remarks**
- 5 traps maximum. Visit MyFWC.com for statewide trap construction requirements and specific requirements that apply in Miami-Dade, Monroe and Collier. Illegal to possess whole crab. Harvest of egg-bearing crabs prohibited. See how to properly de-claw on our website. New trap registration requirements, visit GoOutdoorsFlorida.com to register.

**Oysters**

*Minimum Size Limit:*
- 3”

**Closed Season:**
- June, July, Aug. in Dixie, Wakulla, Levy counties.
- July, Aug., Sept. in all other areas except Apalachicola Bay.

**Daily Recreational Bag Limit:**
- 2 bags per harverster or vessel except Apalachicola Bay

**Remarks**
- Harvest from approved shellfish areas during daylight hours only.
- Go to FloridaAquaculture.com to determine the Open or Closed status of shellfish harvesting areas.
- May not harvest half hour after official sunset until half hour before official sunrise.
- 1 Bag = 60 lbs. or two 5 gal. buckets (whole in shell)
- Harvest prohibited in any harvest area that is in the Closed status as determined by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
- Bay County: Harvest and possession prohibited in West Bay Estuarine Habitat Restoration Project Zone