

Blackfin Tuna

PROPOSED FINAL RULE LANGUAGE Chapter 68B-62

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68B-62.001 Applicability of Rules to State and Federal Waters.

The regulations in this chapter apply in all Florida Waters and in adjacent federal waters.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New .

68B-62.002 Definitions.

“Blackfin tuna” means a fish of the species *Thunnus atlanticus*, or any part thereof.

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68B-62.004 Recreational Vessel and Bag Limits.

(1) Recreational Bag Limit – Except when harvesting pursuant to the 10-fish vessel limit provided in subsection (2) below, a recreational harvester harvesting blackfin tuna may not harvest or possess within or without Florida Waters or land more than 2 blackfin tuna per day.

(2) Recreational Vessel Limit – A recreational harvester or harvesters aboard a vessel harvesting blackfin tuna may not collectively harvest or possess within or without Florida Waters or land more than 10 blackfin tuna per day or 2 per harvester per day, whichever is greater.

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