



# Winter Flounder Specifications

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# Board Action Can Adjust...

## Recreational Measures

- Size Limit
- Bag Limit
- Season

## Commercial Measures

- Size Limit
- Season
- Trip Limit
- Trigger Trip Limit
- Area Closures

# 2016 Recreational Measures

Stock	Possession Limit	Size Limit	Season
GOM	8 fish	12"	NA
SNE/MA	2 fish	12"	March 1 – December 31



# 2016 ASMFC Commercial Measures

Stock	Trip Limit	Size Limit	Season	Gear
<b>GOM</b>	Maximum of 500 lbs per trip per day	12"	Maintain closures	Minimum 6.5" square or diamond mesh in the cod-end
<b>SNE/MA</b>	Maximum of 50 lbs per trip per day	12"	NA	Minimum 6.5" square or diamond mesh in the cod-end. 100-lb mesh trigger.

# Management Measures

Stock	Sector	Trip Limit/ Possession Limit	Size Limit	Season	Gear
GOM	Commerical	500 lbs per trip per day	12"	Maintain closures	Minimum 6.5" square or diamond mesh in cod-end
	Recreational	8 fish	12"	NA	
SNE/MA	Commerical	50 lbs per trip per day	12"	Maintain closures	Minimum 6.5" square or diamond mesh in cod-end. 100-lb mesh trigger.
	Recreational	2 fish	12"	March 1 – December 31	



Implemented in Amendment 1 in 2005



Implemented in Addendum I in 2009



Implemented in Addendum II in 2012; GOM trip limit increased from 250 lbs (via Addendum I) to 500 lbs.



Varying closure dates were in place via Amendment 1, the new dates became effective through Board Action on February 2014



# Questions