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From: **Tor Vincent** <duckislandmarine@gmail.com>
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Subject: Comments for the Tautog Management Board
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These comments are for the Tautog Management Board.,

I would like to post these 5 pictures of tautog and the harm from the oversize tags.

This group of fish were bought back from a market after a NYS ECO had issued a ticket for them as short. There were a total of eight fish , one had the tautog infected tag syndrome to the point that the tag fell off and two had ripped gill plates where the tags were gone. All of the fish were remeasured in front of witnesses and all were of legal size. The manipulation of the fish by the ECO was documented in pictures at the time he measured the fish. The effort to recover and re measure the fish was only possible because of the tags. Without knowing they were fish I had caught and measured I would never have bothered to make the effort to confront enforcement about this highly suspicious situation.

So the fish were tagged, sold then recovered later. The tags were applied in the manner shown in the NYS tautog tagging video. All of the fish had the tag through the active gills. In three the tag was still pinned, the other two had a chunk missing where it had ripped free.

Regards,
Tor Vincent









