



Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Atlantic Menhaden Management Board

FROM: James Boyle, FMP Coordinator

DATE: December 4, 2023

SUBJECT: Revised Preliminary 2024 Atlantic Menhaden Quota Allocations, Accounting for Redistributed Relinquished Quota

This memo revises 2024 Atlantic menhaden quotas previously detailed in Memo 23-92 based on the redistribution of relinquished quota (Table 1).

Provisions of Amendment 3 allow for jurisdictions to relinquish all or part of the jurisdiction's Atlantic menhaden quota. For 2024, Delaware relinquished 1,000,000 pounds (454 metric tons). Relinquished quota is redistributed to the other jurisdictions (i.e., those which did not relinquish quota) based on average landings from 2018, 2019, and 2021.

The revised quotas account for the 1% episodic events set aside (EESA) program but do not account for potential overages from the 2023 fishing year. The TAC is 231,214.50 mt after accounting for the EESA.

For questions, please contact me at jboyle@asmfc.org or (703)-842-0740.

Table 1. Revised preliminary Atlantic menhaden quota allocations* for 2024 accounting for the redistribution of relinquished quota. The redistributed quota is based on average landings from 2018, 2019, and 2021, excluding those states that relinquished quota. Quotas do not account for any overages from the 2023 fishing year.

2024	Metric Tons	Pounds			
TAC	233,550	514,889,608			
1% Set Aside	2,336	5,148,896			
TAC After Set Aside	231,215	509,740,712			
State	Addendum 1 Allocations (%)	2024 Base Quota	Relinquished Quota	Redistributed Relinquished Quota	Revised Preliminary 2023 Quota
ME	4.80%	24,464,561		45,753	24,510,314
NH	1.19%	6,045,231		7,300	6,052,530
MA	2.12%	10,821,631		17,271	10,838,902
RI	0.81%	4,144,550		3,332	4,147,882
CT	0.33%	1,692,598		873	1,693,471
NY	0.84%	4,294,572		3,645	4,298,217
NJ	11.00%	56,061,175		111,716	56,172,891
PA	0.01%	50,974		-	50,974
DE	0.27%	1,375,998	1,000,000	-	375,998
MD	1.17%	5,940,886		7,082	5,947,968
PRFC	1.09%	5,541,196		6,247	5,547,444
VA	75.21%	383,377,514		795,044	384,172,558
NC	0.37%	1,890,858		1,287	1,892,146
SC	0.25%	1,274,601		1	1,274,601
GA	0.25%	1,274,352		-	1,274,352
FL	0.29%	1,490,014		450	1,490,464
Total	100.00%	509,740,712		1,000,000	509,740,712

*Note: Allocation percentages shown here are rounded for clarity; quotas are based on unrounded values.