

2024 Tautog State Recreational Measures

No reported changes for 2025. For the most up-to-date information, refer to the specific state

STATE	SIZE LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMITS (fish/person/day)	OPEN SEASONS (dates inclusive)
Massachusetts	16" min; only one fish allowed above 21"	3	Apr 1-May 31; Aug 1-Oct 14
		1	Jun 1-Jul 31
		5 (10 fish/day/vessel max for private/rental mode)	Oct 15-Dec 31
Rhode Island	16" min; only one fish allowed above 21"	3	Apr 1 – May 31
		3	Aug 1 – Oct 14
		5 (10 fish/day/vessel max for private/rental mode)	Oct 15 – Dec 31
Connecticut	16" min	2	Apr 1 – Apr 30
		2	July 1 – Aug 31
		3	Oct 10 – Nov 28
New York	16" min	LIS: 2	Apr 1- Apr 30
		LIS: 3	Oct 11-Dec 9
		NY Bight: 2 NY Bight: 4	Apr 1- Apr 30 Oct 15-Dec 22
New Jersey	15" min	4	Jan 1 – Feb 28
		4	Apr 1 – Apr 30
		1 5	Aug 1 – Nov 15 Nov 16 – Dec 31
Delaware	16" min	4	Jan 1 – May 15
			Jul 1 – Dec 31
Maryland	16" min	4	Jan 1- May 15
		2	Jul 1 – Oct 31
		4	Nov 1 – Dec 31
Virginia	16" min	4	Jan 1 – May 15
			July 1 – Dec 31