



Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Atlantic Herring Management Board, Atlantic Herring Technical Committee, Atlantic Herring Advisory Panel, Interested Parties

FROM: Toni Kerns, Fisheries Policy Director *TMK*

DATE: December 10, 2025

SUBJECT: Atlantic Herring Area 1A Days Out Call on December 15, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Atlantic Herring Management Board members from the states of Maine, New Hampshire and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will meet via webinar on December 15, 2025 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., to discuss days out measures for the remainder of Season 2 (October 1 – December 31) for the 2025 Area 1A fishery (inshore Gulf of Maine). Days out measures include consecutive landings days for Season 2. The webinar and call information is included below:

Atlantic Herring Days Out Meeting

Monday, December 15, 2025
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

This webinar will use the [RingCentral meeting platform](#). You can join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone at the following link: <https://v.ringcentral.com/join/989793987>. If you are new to RingCentral, you can download the app ahead of time ([click here](#)) or you can join from a web browser. **For audio, the meeting will be using the computer voice over internet (VoIP)**, but if you are joining the webinar from your phone only, you can dial in at **650.419.1505** and enter access code **989-793-987** when prompted. The webinar will start at 12:45 p.m., 15 minutes early, to troubleshoot audio as necessary.

Atlantic herring specifications for 2025-2027 are being implemented this week by NOAA Fisheries. The new specifications for 2025 increase the Area 1A sub-annual catch limit (sub-ACL) to 1,317 metric tons and after accounting for the reallocation of 1,000 metric tons that already occurred last month, the Area 1A sub-ACL is 2,317 metric tons.

Currently, Area 1A 2025 landings are 1,860 metric tons. After accounting for those landings, the fixed gear set-aside, and the 8% buffer (Area 1A closes at 92% of the sub-ACL), there will be an estimated 244 metric tons available for harvest.

Currently, the Area 1A fishery is at zero landing days. While landing days are set at zero (0), harvesters are prohibited from landing more than 2,000 pounds of Atlantic herring per trip from Area 1A. A subsequent press release will announce days out measures for the remainder of Season 2. For more information, please contact Emilie Franke, Fishery Management Plan Coordinator, at efranke@asmfc.org.

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