

Spotted Seatrout Endorsement
Title 22 Part 5 Chapter 9 Section 110

Individuals harvesting spotted seatrout (*Cynoscion nebulosus*) for sale must possess a spotted seatrout endorsement (\$10.00) in addition to a current applicable harvester's license. To qualify for this endorsement an application must be completed. The fisher must present proof that five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) of seafood product was sold in any twelve (12) consecutive months. Proof would be copies of sales records and a copy of the applicable harvester's license for the appropriate time period, or the fisher must present proof that ten (10) percent of their net income came from commercial fishing activities in a previous tax year. Proof would be a form provided by the DMR completed by a licensed tax preparer possessing a PTIN (Preparer Tax Identification Number), notarized, and submitted to the department. This endorsement will be valid for a three year period at which time a new application with qualifying documents must be submitted for a new endorsement. The income requirement and seafood sale provision of this section shall cease to be in effect April 30, 2020 unless further Commission action is taken to extend the requirement



Effective May 1, 2014:

To commercially harvest spotted seatrout, individuals **MUST** possess a spotted seatrout endorsement in addition to a current applicable harvester's license.

To qualify, commercial fishermen must meet one of the following:

- Sold a minimum of \$5,000 of seafood product in any previous 12 consecutive month period
- 10% of net income in a previous tax year came from commercial fishing activity

Endorsement is valid for three years.

Failure to possess a spotted seatrout endorsement will result in a fine.

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