

**AMENDMENT 2 TO THE NORTHEAST FISHERY SECTOR VIII OPERATIONS
PLAN**

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EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2018, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2019

This document amends the approved operations plan by revising the following sections as specified below:

Page 6 – Re-direction of Effort:

- Fishery: Scallop (Gear: Trawl, dredge)
- Fishery: Monkfish (Gear: Gillnet, Trawl)
- Fishery: Skate (winter & bait) Gear: Gillnet, Trawl
- Fishery: Fluke (Gear: Trawl, Gillnet)
- Fishery: Dogfish (Gear: Trawl, Gillnet)

Page 28 – Sector Specific Exemptions:

- 21.8 20 Day Spawning Block
- 21.9 DAS Leasing Program Length and Horsepower Restrictions
- 21.10 Prohibition on Discarding
- 21.11 Trawl Gear Requirements in the Eastern US/CA Management Area
- 21.12 Requirement to declare intent to fish in the Eastern US/CA SAP and CA II YT/Haddock SAP from the dock
- 21.13 Seasonal Restrictions for the Eastern US/CA Haddock Sap 14 21.14 Seasonal Restrictions for the CA II YT/Haddock SAP
- 21.15 Minimum Mesh Size Requirement for Targeted Redfish Trips.*
- 21.16 Prohibition on using small mesh trawl nets to target small mesh species (silver hake, red hake, and squid) on a Sector Trip in the SNE Regulated Mesh Area*
- 21.17 120 – Day Block Requirement Out of the Fishery for Day Gillnet Vessels:
- 21.18 Limitation on the Number of Gillnets for Day Gillnet Vessels Outside the Gulf of Maine:
- 21.19 Prohibition on a vessel’s hauling another Vessel’s gillnet gear
- 21.20 Day gillnet limit in the Gulf of Maine

Page 30 -Offloading Ports:

Primary Port(s) of Landing	Secondary Port(s) of Landing
Massachusetts: New Bedford, Westport, Nantucket	Massachusetts: Provincetown, Gloucester, Hyannis Rhode Island: Point Judith Virginia and North Carolina

Page 40 – SECTOR MEMBERS:

Owner/Entity	MRI	Permit Number	Vessel Name
Double Diamond Fishing Corp	489	150921	DOUBLE DIAMOND
Captain WP McCann. Inc	521	310433	PILGRIM
MS Fishing Corp	550	320112	SEVEN SEAS
Oneonta Fisheries, Inc	565	330902	RESILIENT
Resolve Fishing, Inc	621	149833	RESOLVE
Predator Fisheries, Inc	708	330126	PREDATOR
PMJ, Inc	722	330155	OLIVIA CATHERINE
Coral Fishing Corp	744	410126	LUSO AMERICAN 1
Humbak Fishing Corp	749		CPH
FV Poseidon Fisheries, Inc	756		CPH
Three Amigos Fishing Corp	767	330517	HUSTLER
Marinaldo Fisheries, Inc	771	150587	1987 SEARS SKIFF
Cristian & Sophia	778	151676	SEA SIREN SKIFF
Willis E Blount Com Fishing Co	809	330551	RUTHIE B
Atlantic Shellfish, Inc	829	410279	NADIA LEE
Marinaldo Fisheries, Inc	831	320674	IBERIA II
John & Nicholas, Inc	832	330865	JOHN & NICHOLAS
Boat United States, Inc	862	330471	UNITED STATES
Seafarer Ent, Inc	871	330493	CHARLIES PRIDE
ACCA Fishing Corp	967	150715	PEE WEE
Arapaho Fishing Corp	971	321097	SERENO
ALCOR Fishing Corp	986	150370	WATER TENDER
CSM Fishing Corp	997	410177	CSM
Nordic, Inc	1027	410221	JUSTICE
CPR Fishing, Inc	1079	410318	ALEXIS MARTINA
Cockeast Fisheries, Inc	1080	151507	DRAKE
Jessie Jean Ent, Inc	1095	410344	SEAFARER
FV Majestic, Inc	1119	410392	MAJESTIC
Blue Seas Ventures, LLC	1130	410419	BRITTANY ERYN
Expedition Fishing Co	1231	410074	DONNY C
Double Diamond Fishing Corp	1525	310430	CPH
Captain WP McCann. Inc	1697	320113	SHAMROCK

Cockeast Fisheries, Inc	1764	150936	MANDRAKE
Blanca Casa Fishing Corp	2371		CPH
Base, Inc	836	151269	CPH
Adventure King, LLC	375	136935	KINGFISHER
Kimco, LLC	420	148172	JOLLY ROGER
Adventure King, LLC	1417	152222	CORRINE & GIRLS
William Borges	2034	231511	HOLLY JEAN

Page- 41: The following Table identifies the Vessels that are authorized to harvest Sector Ace:

Permit Number	Vessel Name
310433	PILGRIM
320112	SEVEN SEAS
330551	RUTHIE B
151507	DRAKE
320113	SHAMROCK
646423	HUSTLER
672841	IBERIA II
618882	UNITED STATES
585853	LUSO AMERICAN 1
602713	CSM

Page – 41 Additional information on Federal permits associated with Sector Vessels and Sector Members:

NEFS 8 - FY 2017/18 FEDERAL & STATE PERMIT INFORMATION				State Permits			
MRI	Permit	F/V Name	Federal Permits	MASSACHUSETTS	VIRGINIA	NORTH CAROLINA	RHODE ISLAND
708	330126	PREDATOR	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Bluefish, Herring, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop, Skate,	Offshore Non Trap LMA 3, Fluke, Sea Scallop Shuck			
489	150921	DOUBLE DIAMOND	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults Red Crab, Scallop, Scup, Skate, Spiny dogfish, Squid/butterfish, Summer Flounder, tilefish Comm'cl, Tilefish	None			
521	310433	PILGRIM	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scup, Skate, Spiny Dogfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Non Trap LMA 2 & 3			
565	330902	RESILIENT	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Bluefish, Herring, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop-LAGC, Scallop Ltd Access, Skate, Spiny Dogfish, Squid/Butterfish, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Non Trap LMA 3, OC, Dogfish, Sea Herring, Sea Scallop			
550	320112	SEVEN SEAS	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Red Crab, Scup, Skate, Spiny Dogfish, Squid/Butterfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Non Trap LMA 2 & 3, Fluke, Scup, Sea	Fluke		
621	150681	CPH	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, bluefish, Loligo/butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop, Scup, Skate, Spiny Dogfish, Squid/Butterfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam	None			
809	330351	RUTHIE B	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop LAGC, Scup, Skate, Spiny dogfish, Squid/Butterfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish, Atlantic Tunas	Offshore Non Trap LMA 3, Fluke, Northern Shrimp, Scup			
815	330359	CPH	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Bluefish, Herring, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop LAGC, Skate, Spiny Dogfish, Squid/Butterfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Non Trap LMA 3, Fluke, Scup, Sea Bass, Sea Scallop			
829	410279	NADIA LEE	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop -LAGC, Scallop, Scup, Skate, Spiny dogfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Non trap LMA 2 & 3, Dogfish, Scup Sea Bass,	Fluke, Bik Sea Bass	Fluke	
832	330865	JOHN & NICHOLAS	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop -LAGC, Scallop, Scup, Skate, Spiny dogfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Non trap LMA 2, Dogfish, Scup Sea Bass, Sea	Fluke, Bik Sea Bass	Fluke	
871	330493	CHARLIES PRIDE	American Lobster, Bluefish, Black Sea Bass, Spiny Dog fish, Summer Flounder, Herring, Monkfish, NE Multispecies, Red Crab, Scup, Skate, Loligo/Butterfish, Atlantic Mackerel, Tilefish, Scallop, Squid/Butterfish, Surf Clam	Offshore Non trap LMA 2 & 3, Dogfish, Scup Sea Bass,			
1080	151507	DRAKE	American Lobster Non Trap, American Lobster Trap Area 1 & 2, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish NE Mults, Red Crab, Scup, Spiny Dogfish, Skate, Summer Flounder, Tilefish	Offshore Lobster LMA 2, Stripe Bass			Mult Purpose Lic
1095	410344	SEAFARER	American Lobster, Bluefish, Black Sea Bass, Spiny Dog fish, Summer Flounder, Herring, Monkfish, NE Multispecies, Red Crab, Scup, Skate, Loligo/Butterfish, Atlantic Mackerel, Tilefish, Scallop, Squid/Butterfish, Surf Clam	Offshore Non trap LMA 2 & 3, Dogfish, Scup Sea Bass,			RI 000489
1119	410392	MAJESTIC	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop - LAGC, Scallop, Scup, Skate, Spiny dogfish, Squid Butterfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Lobster, Fluke Sea Scallop Shuck			
1231	410074	DONNY C	American Lobster, Atlantic Mackerel, Bluefish, Herring, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Scallop, Spiny Dogfish, Squid/butterfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam	Offshore Non Trap LMA 3			
1525	310430	CPH	American Lobster Trap Area 1,2 & Outer Cape, Atlantic Mackerel, Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop, Scup, Skate, Spiny Dogfish, Squid/Butterfish, Summer Flounder, Surf Clam, Tilefish	None			
1697	320113	SHAMROCK	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Bluefish, Herring, Loligo/Butterfish, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scup, Skate, Spiny Dogfish, Surf Clam, Tilefish	Offshore Non Trap LMA 3 Gillnet Handlines			
1764	150936	MANDRAKE	CPH				
2371		CPH	American Lobster Non Trap, Atlantic Mackerel, Bluefish, Herring, Monkfish, NE Mults, Ocean Quahog, Red Crab, Scallop -LAGC, Skate,				

This document also amends the section of this operations plan that provides additional detail on sector specific exemptions by adding the following language:

Day gillnet limit in the Gulf of Maine

Day gillnet vessels may fish above the limit of 100 gillnets [specified in § 648.80 (a)(3)(iv)(B)(2)], up to 150 nets total under the following conditions: Any nets above the existing 100-net limit must have a minimum mesh size of 10.0 inches (25.4 cm) and may only be fished east of 70 degrees West longitude. Vessels are limited to no more than 50 roundfish gillnets. Vessels must comply with the net tagging requirements at § 648.80(a)(3)(iv)(B)(4), which require roundfish gillnets to be tagged with two tags per net, while flatfish gillnets may be marked with one tag per net, and all gillnets fished must be tagged.

