

◆ Fork length. ♠ Aggregate limit for all groupers (except nassau, goliath warsaw, and speckled hind) is 5/day, only 1 of which can be a red grouper (Fed). Check for seasons.

♣ Aggregate limit for lane and vermilion snappers, gray triggerfish, almaco jack, and tilefishes is 20/day.

■ Aggregate limit for mutton, gray, cubera, schoolmaster, dog, mahogany, yellowtail, queen, blackfin, silk, and wenchman snappers is 10/day.

♥ Measured from tip of lower jaw to tail fork.

† Curved fork length.

▲ Check for seasonal closures, limit changes and gear restrictions.

▶ Limit 15, only 2 speckled trout over 25 inches are allowed in the area south of I-10 and west of La Hwy. 27.

All saltwater fish except tuna, garfish, and swordfish in possession must have the head and tailfin intact when set or put on shore from a vessel. The skin must be left on these fish. Federal regulations require that tails are to be on tunas. For all saltwater fish, the bag limit is also the possession limit, except for redfish and speckled trout. A two-day limit of these two species is allowed in possession on land but not on the water.



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SALTWATER Recreational Fish 2008 Louisiana Size & Bag Limits



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Species	Minimum size	Bag limit
Black Drum	16 in.; only 1 over 27 in.	5/day
Cobia	33 in.♦	2/day
King Mackerel	24 in.♦	2/day
Spanish Mackerel	12 in.♦	15/day
Redfish (F)	Closed	Closed
Redfish (S)	16 in.; only 1 over 27 in.	5/day
Speckled Trout	12 in.▶	25/day ▶
Greater Amberjack	28 in.♦	1/day
Lesser Amberjack and Banded Rudderfish	14 in. min. and 22 in. max.♦	5/day in aggregate
Almaco Jack	None	♣
Red Snapper	16 in.▲	2/day
Vermilion Snapper	10 in.	♣
Lane Snapper	8 in.	♣
Mutton Snapper	16 in.	■
Gray, Cubera, Schoolmaster, Dog, Mahogany, and Yellowtail Snappers	12 in.	■
All Other Snappers	16 in.	■
Gray Triggerfish	12 in.♦	♣
Hogfish	12 in.	5/day
Tilefish	None	♣
Gag and Black Groupers	22 in.	♠
Red and Yellowfin Groupers	20 in.	♠
Scamp	16 in.	♠
Warsaw Grouper	None	1/vessel
Speckled Hind	None	1/vessel
Nassau and Goliath Groupers	Closed	Closed
Other Groupers	None	♠
Blue Marlin	99 in. LJFL♥	▲
White Marlin	66 in.♥	▲
Sailfish	Closed	Closed
Swordfish	29 in.33 lbs. dressed	1/person 3/vessel
Yellowfin Tuna (✓Fed. Permit Requirements)	27 in.†	3/day
Bigeye Tuna (✓Fed. Permit Requirements)	27 in.†	None
Bluefin Tuna (✓Fed. Permit Requirements)	27 in.†	Varies
Atlantic Sharpnose Shark	None	1/day
Bonnethead Shark	None	1/day
Sandbar, Silky, Tiger, Blacktip, Spinner, Lemon, Bull, Nurse, Shortfin Mako, Common Thresher, Porbeagle, Whitetip, Blue, Blacknose, Finetooth, and all Hammerhead Sharks	}	54 in. ♦▲
All Other Sharks and Sawfish		
Striped Mullet (S)	None	100 lbs/day
Southern Flounder	None	10/day

(F) Federal waters, (S) Louisiana state waters