

TITLE 7 NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

DELAWARE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

Division of Fish and Wildlife

3500 Tidal Finfish

3550 Cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*)

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1.0 Recreational Possession Limits

- 1.1 It is unlawful for a recreational fisherman to take and reduce to possession more than one Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer.
- 1.2 Except in accordance with 3.0 of this section, it is unlawful to have aboard any boat or vessel more than one Cobia.

2.0 Recreational Size Limit

- 2.1 It is unlawful for a recreational fisherman to possess a Cobia that measures less than 32 inches in total length.

3.0 Commercial Possession Limits

- 3.1 A commercial fisherman may take and reduce to possession no more than two Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer, using commercial fishing gear for which said fisherman is lawfully permitted.
- 3.2 It is unlawful for a commercial fisherman to possess more than two Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer.
- 3.3 Notwithstanding 3.1 and 3.2, a commercial fishing vessel may have up to six Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer, onboard provided the number of Cobia does not exceed twice the number of commercial fishermen onboard that vessel.

4.0 Commercial Size Limit

- 4.1 It is unlawful for a commercial fisherman to possess, trade, barter or sell or attempt to trade, barter or sell any Cobia that measure less than 37 inches in total length.

OR

1.0 Recreational Season(s)

- 1.1 It is unlawful for a recreational fisherman to possess any Cobia during the periods of January 1 through May 31 and September 16 through December 31.
- 1.2 It is lawful for a recreational fisherman to possess Cobia during the period of June 1 through September 15 in accordance with sections 2.0 and 3.0.

2.0 Recreational Possession Limits

- 2.1 It is unlawful for a recreational fisherman to possess more than one Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer.

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2.2 Except in accordance with 4.0 of this section, it is unlawful to have aboard any vessel more than three Cobia.

3.0 Recreational Size Limit

3.1 It is unlawful for a recreational fisherman to possess any Cobia that measures less than 40 inches in total length.

4.0 Commercial Possession Limits

4.1 A commercial fisherman may take and reduce to possession no more than two Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer, using commercial fishing gear for which said fisherman is lawfully permitted.

4.2 It is unlawful for a commercial fisherman to possess more than two Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer.

4.3 Notwithstanding 4.1 and 4.2, a commercial fishing vessel may have up to six Cobia per day or per trip, whichever is longer, onboard provided the number of Cobia does not exceed twice the number of commercial fishermen onboard that vessel.

5.0 Commercial Size Limit

5.1 It is unlawful for a commercial fisherman to possess, trade, barter or sell or attempt to trade, barter or sell any Cobia that measure less than 37 inches in total length.