



**Public Hearing**  
 7 DE Admin. Code 3550 (New)  
 Cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*)  
**Docket #2020-R-F-0002**



February 26, 2020



511 Orange Tree Climbstone's Great Outdoors  
 Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control

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**Proposed New 7 DE Admin. Code 3550**  
 Cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*)

- No regulations in place
- Biomass has declined in over past two decades, but not overfished & no overfishing
- ASMFC approved the ISFMP for Atl. Migratory Group Cobia November 2017
- Delaware must adopt precautionary management measures
- DE has no reported commercial or estimated recreational landings – *de minimis* or *nearest non- de minimis neighbor*

	<b>Option 1 (de minimis)</b>		<b>Option 2 (Virginia)</b>	
	Recreational	Commercial	Recreational	Commercial
<b>Min. Length</b>	32"	37"	40"	37"
<b>Possession Limit</b>	1	2	1	2
<b>Vessel Limit</b>	1	6	3	6
<b>Open Season</b>	All Year	All Year	Jun 1 - Sep 15	All Year

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Comment may be submitted to the Hearing Officer

- Orally or in writing tonight
- Via the online comment form at: <https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/public-hearings/comment-form/>
- Via email to: [DNRECHearingComments@delaware.gov](mailto:DNRECHearingComments@delaware.gov)
- Via USPS to:

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- The Department will accept public comment through the close of business on Thursday, March 12, 2020.