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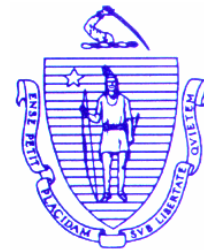
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MEMORANDUM

TO: David Simpson, Director, CT Division of Marine Fisheries

FROM: Paul Diodati, Director, MA Division of Marine Fisheries

DATE: February 14, 2011

SUBJECT: Recreational Saltwater Fishing Permit Reciprocity Agreement

I have determined that the requirements of the Connecticut Marine Waters Fishing License issued pursuant to CT Gen. Stat. §16 (subsections 27 – 29b and 46) are substantially the same as the requirements of the Massachusetts Recreational Saltwater Fishing Permit issued pursuant to 322 CMR 7.10, and that Connecticut provides privileges to its resident under CT Gen. Stat. §16 that are similar to those privileges granted to Massachusetts residents under 322 CMR 7.10.

Given this determination, Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (*MarineFisheries*) will establish it as policy, provided that Connecticut Division of Marine Fisheries will establish a reciprocal policy, that:

An individual who is a resident of Connecticut and who holds a valid Connecticut Marine Waters Fishing License may engage in lawful recreational fishing activities from land or waters under the jurisdiction of *MarineFisheries* without holding a Massachusetts Recreational Saltwater Fishing Permit.

MarineFisheries will establish this policy within two working days of receipt of a memorandum from Connecticut Division of Marine Fisheries committing to a reciprocal policy that would be implemented on the same schedule.

Please contact me with any questions on this issue.

Paul J. Diodati
Director of *MarineFisheries*