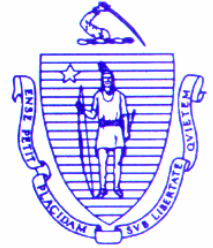




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**2,500-LB. *LOLIGO* SQUID TRIP LIMIT ELIMINATED FOR
STATE TRAWL FISHERY EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
Harvest of *Loligo* Squid Has Yet to Reach 80% of Quarterly Quota**

Effective immediately, squid trawl vessels are no longer subject to a 2,500-lb. *Loligo* squid daily trip limit. The Division of Marine Fisheries (*Marine Fisheries*) is taking this action to complement similar action by NOAA Fisheries after learning that less than 80% of the quarterly quota has been harvested.

The federal management plan for *Loligo* squid requires federally permitted vessels to comply with a daily trip limit of 2,500 lbs. once 80% of any of the seasonal quotas has been reached. Complementary state regulations limit state-only permitted trawlers (without federal squid permits) to the same 2,500-lb. daily trip limit (322 CMR 6.39) when 80% of a quarterly quota has been reached.

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