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ICNAF MESH REGULATIONS , OPERATION OF 10% ANNUAL EXEMPTION

October 1, 1959, through September 30, 1960

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The United States Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife Service, issued 23 exemption certificates during the first year, 23 certificates during the second year, and 17 certificates during the third year to U.S. vessels. These certificates were issued by month and year as follows:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Certificates</u>
October	1957	6
November	1957	3
December	1957	2
January	1958	3
February	1958	4
March	1958	2
April	1958	1
May	1958	1
August	1958	1
Total First Year		<u>23</u>

<u>Month</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Certificates</u>
October	1958	5
December	1958	1
January	1959	8
February	1959	2
April	1959	1
May	1959	2
June	1959	2
August	1959	1
September	1959	1
Total Second Year		<u>23</u>

<u>Month</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Certificates</u>
October	1959	2
February	1960	2
March	1960	2
April	1960	3
July	1960	2
September	1960	6
Total Third Year		<u>17</u>

At the completion of the first year, eight (8) certificates expired and were not renewed by the vessel owners. Two (2) certificates were revoked for failure to submit required reports.

During the second year, three (3) certificates expired and were not renewed by the vessel owners. One (1) certificate was cancelled when the vessel was sold. On October 1, 1959, there remained 32 certificates in effect.

¹⁾ F.R.B., Office Statistical Services, U.S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Gloucester, Mass., February 28, 1961. .../2

During the third year, four (4) certificates expired and were not renewed by the vessel owners. Three (3) certificates were cancelled for failure to submit trip reports. Twenty-seven (27) certificates were renewed during the period. One exempted vessel was lost at sea.

At the close of the third year, September 30, 1960, there remained 43 certificates in effect.

The tonnage classes of the vessels are as follows:

Gross tons	Class	Number of vessels		
		Sept. 30, 1958	Sept. 30, 1959	Sept. 30, 1960
0-25	OTS	1	0	0
26-50	OTS	5	9	9
51-100	OTM	7	12	21
101-150	OTM	2	4	5
151-200	OTL	7	6	7
over 200	OTL	1	1	1
	Totals	23	32	43

The landings of these vessels are presented in Table 1.

TABLE 1. Summary of the Operation of the 10% Annual Exemption.

	Subarea 3						
	First Year		Second Year		Third Year		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Fishing trips	9		27		21		
All species	000 lb.	2,107	100.0	5,724	100.0	4,025	100.0
Haddock	000 lb.	0	0	28	0.5	0.2	
Cod	000 lb.	0	0	9	0.2	0.4	
Redfish	000 lb.	2,106	99.9	5,599	97.8	4,014	99.7
Other species ¹⁾	000 lb.	1	0.1	88	2.5	11	0.3
No. of trips with haddock		0		3		1	
No. of trips with cod		0		3		2	
No. of trips with redfish		9		27		21	
Range of haddock landings							
per trip, lbs.		-		275-16,800		200-200	
Range of cod landings							
per trip, lbs.		-		90-6,900		210-230	
Excess trips ²⁾		0		0		0	
Pounds excess haddock ³⁾	000 lb.	0		0		0	
Pounds excess cod ³⁾	000 lb.	0		0		0	

- 1) Other species include halibut, white hake, cuak, pollock, flounder, silver hake, and menhaden.
- 2) Trips of more than 5,000 pounds and more than 10% haddock or cod.
- 3) Quantity of haddock or cod in excess of that covered by trip exemptions.

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TABLE 1 (cont'd.). Summary of the Operation of the 10% Annual Exemption.

		Subarea 4					
		First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Fishing trips		70		102		136	
All species	000 lb.	11,840	100.0	14,864	100.0	19,821	100.0
Haddock	000 lb.	374	3.2	1,136	7.6	314	1.6
Cod	000 lb.	34	0.3	171	1.1	123	0.6
Redfish	000 lb.	11,247	95.0	12,761	85.9	18,651	94.1
Other species ¹⁾	000 lb.	185	1.5	796	5.4	733	3.7
No. of trips with haddock		24		61		68	
No. of trips with cod		21		61		69	
No. of trips with redfish		68		89		135	
Range of haddock landings							
per trip, lb.		200-89,300		200-100,200		75-51,000	
Range of cod landings							
per trip, lb.		35-6,550		80-11,700		45-8,460	
Excess trips ²⁾		4		19		8	
Pounds excess haddock ³⁾	000 lb.	108		865		146	
Pounds excess cod ³⁾	000 lb.	0		4		2	

		Subarea 5					
		First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Fishing trips		628		1,304		1,324	
All species	000 lb.	23,178	100.0	41,206	100.0	48,152	100.0
Haddock	000 lb.	2,453	10.6	2,404	5.8	2,711	5.6
Cod	000 lb.	471	2.0	670	1.6	699	1.4
Redfish	000 lb.	7,333	31.6	12,552	30.5	14,519	30.2
Other species ¹⁾	000 lb.	12,921	55.8	25,580	62.1	30,223	62.8
No. of trips with haddock		534		841		979	
No. of trips with cod		539		784		935	
No. of trips with redfish		265		454		610	
Range of haddock landings							
per trip, lb.		15-113,000		10-63,800		10-50,500	
Range of cod landings							
per trip, lb.		10-20,650		10-23,035		10-23,275	
Excess trips ²⁾		154		101		117	
Pounds excess haddock ³⁾	000 lb.	1,146		1,012		1,007	
Pounds excess cod ³⁾	000 lb.	68		84		80	

		All Subareas					
		First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Exempted vessels ⁴⁾		23		32		43	
Fishing trips		707		1,433		1,481	
All species	000 lb.	37,125	100.0	61,794	100.0	71,998	100.0
Haddock	000 lb.	2,827	7.6	3,568	5.8	3,025	4.2
Cod	000 lb.	505	1.4	850	1.4	822	1.1
Redfish	000 lb.	20,686	55.7	30,912	50.0	37,184	51.6
Other species ¹⁾	000 lb.	13,107	35.3	26,464	42.8	30,967	43.1
No. of trips with haddock		558		905		1,048	
No. of trips with cod		560		848		1,006	
No. of trips with redfish		342		570		766	
Range of haddock landings							
per trip, lb.		15-113,000		10-100,200		10-51,000	
Range of cod landings							
per trip, lb.		10-20,650		10-23,035		10-23,275	
Excess trips ²⁾		158		120		125	
Pounds excess haddock ³⁾	000 lb.	1,254		1,877		1,153	
Pounds excess cod ³⁾	000 lb.	68		88		82	

1) Other species include halibut, white hake, cusk, pollock, flounder, silver hake, and menhaden.

2) Trips of more than 5,000 pounds and more than 10% haddock or cod.

3) Quantity of haddock or cod in excess of that covered by trip exemptions.

4) Operating under 10% Annual Exemption Certificates.