

C-1 Charter Halibut Management Measures

Council motion

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The Council recommends the following management measures for the 2014 charter halibut fishery in Area 2C and Area 3A, based on initial reference allocations of 1.78 mlbs in Area 3A and 760,000 lbs in Area 2C, resulting from the IPHC interim meeting.

Area 3A recommendations:

- Two-fish daily bag limit
- Maximum size of the second fish is 29"
- One trip per day (limit each vessel to one trip per calendar day)

If the final charter allocation is sufficiently higher than the "blue line" to remove the trip limit, the measures would be a two-fish daily bag limit, one of which is equal to or less than 29". As needed, the size of the second fish may be adjusted up or down to meet the allocation.

Area 2C recommendations:

- One-fish daily bag limit
- Reverse slot limit of U44 – O76

If the final charter allocation is sufficiently higher than the "blue line" to accommodate a change in the reverse slot limit, adjust the size of the lower limit up one inch. The next adjustment would be to reduce the upper limit to meet the allocation.