

C-1 Charter Halibut Management Measures

Council motion

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The Council recommends the following management measures for the 2015 charter halibut fishery in Area 2C and Area 3A, based on initial reference allocations of 1,890,000 lbs in Area 3A and 787,000 lbs in Area 2C, resulting from the IPHC interim meeting.

Area 3A recommendations:

- Two-fish daily bag limit
- Maximum size of one of the two fish is 29"
- One trip per day (limit each vessel to one trip per calendar day)
- 5-fish annual limit
- Prohibition on halibut charter fishing on Thursdays, during June 15 – August 31

If the final charter allocation is sufficiently higher than the "blue line", adjust the maximum size of the second fish upward to meet the allocation.

Area 2C recommendations:

- One-fish daily bag limit
- Reverse slot limit of U40" – O80" (must be ≤40" or ≥80")

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 upward to meet the allocation.

The regulations for GAF remain the same.