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SH-4-2022

PROCLAMATION

RE: SHRIMP - RECREATIONAL CAST NET HARVEST - COASTAL FISHING WATERS

This proclamation removes the recreational shrimp harvest limit in areas closed to shrimp harvest to establish a consistent recreational harvest limit for cast nets in all Coastal Fishing Waters, in accordance with Amendment 2 to the North Carolina Shrimp Fishery Management Plan.

Kathy B. Rawls, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, hereby announces that effective at 5:01 P.M., **Sunday, May 15, 2022** the following restrictions will apply to the recreational harvest of shrimp when using a cast net.

I. <u>SUSPENSION OF A PORTION OF N.C. MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION RULE 15A NCAC 03L .0105.</u>

The following portion of N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rule 15A NCAC 03L .0105 is suspended:

Section (2) which reads:

(2) Take or possess more than four quarts, heads on or two and one-half quarts, heads off, of shrimp per person per day with a cast net from areas closed to the taking of shrimp.

II. RECREATIONAL HARVEST LIMIT

It is unlawful to possess more than 48 quarts, heads on, or 30 quarts, heads off, of shrimp per person per day or if a vessel is used, per vessel per day with a cast net for recreational purposes in all Coastal Fishing Waters.

III. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. This proclamation is issued under the authority of N.C.G.S. 113-134; 113-170.4; 113-170.5; 113-182; 113-182.1; 113-221.1; 143B-289.52 and N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 03H .0103 and 03L .0101.
- B. In accordance with N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rule 15A NCAC 03H .0103 it is unlawful to violate the provisions of any proclamation issued by the Fisheries Director under their delegated authority.
- C. In accordance with N.C. General Statute 113-221.1(c) All persons who may be affected by proclamations issued by the Fisheries Director are under a duty to keep themselves informed of current proclamations.
- D. Contact N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries, P.O. Box 769, Morehead City, NC 28557; 252-726-7021 or 800-682-2632 for more information or visit the division website at www.ncmarinefisheries.net.
- E. The intent of this proclamation is to manage the shrimp fishery in accordance with Amendment 2 to the North Carolina Shrimp Fishery Management Plan.
- F. This proclamation removes the recreational shrimp harvest limit in areas

closed to shrimp harvest to establish a consistent recreational harvest limit for cast nets in all Coastal Fishing Waters, in accordance with Amendment 2 to the North Carolina Shrimp Fishery Management Plan.

Kathy B. Rawls, Director

DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES

May 11, 2022 2:04 P.M.