

SPRING STRIPED BASS RECREATIONAL TROPHY-SIZE REPORT FORM

This report must be filled out and submitted to the VMRC no later than June 30 of current year

Each fisherman, captain, or boat operator is responsible for complying with all requirements contained in Chapter 4VAC 20-252-10 et seq. This chapter requires each person the age of sixteen or older, participating in the Bay or Coastal Spring Trophy-Size striped bass recreational fisheries to obtain a Spring Recreational Striped Bass Trophy Permit from the Commission, prior to any participation, except when fishing from a legally licensed headboat or charter boat. It also requires all striped bass kept during the trophy season to be reported.

FISHING SEASONS: Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries--May 1 (12:01 AM) - June 15(11:59 PM)

Coastal Virginia waters--May 1 (12:01 AM) - May 15 (11:59 PM)

TROPHY POSSESSION MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT: 36 inches total length

POSSESSION LIMIT: 1 trophy-size fish per person. When fishing from a boat or vessel, where the entire catch is held in a common hold or container, the possession limit shall be for the boat or vessel and shall be equal to the number of persons on board, legally eligible to fish, multiplied by the applicable personal possession limit. The captain or operator of the boat or vessel shall be responsible for any boat or vessel possession limit.

POTOMAC RIVER TRIBUTARIES: Please refer to the Potomac River Fisheries Commission for trophy season, size, and possession limits for the Potomac River tributaries.

OTHER IMPORTANT CONSERVATION RESTRICTIONS:

- NO SALE OF RECREATIONALLY CAUGHT STRIPED BASS
- Alteration of striped bass while aboard any boat or vessel or while fishing from shore or pier so that total length - cannot be determined is prohibited.
- It shall be unlawful for any person to gaff or attempt to gaff any striped bass at any time.
- Transfer of any striped bass to another person while on the water or while fishing from a pier or shore is prohibited.
- Striped bass fishing is prohibited in Federal waters (beyond the Virginia three-mile limit line).

NO POSSESSION of Trophy striped bass in the spawning reaches (defined below) May 1 through June 15:

- **James River** - from a line connecting Dancing Point and New Sunken Meadow Creek upstream to a line connecting City Point and Packs Point.
- **Pamunkey River** - from the Route 33 Bridge at West Point upstream to a line connecting Liberty Hall and the opposite shore.
- **Mattaponi River** - from the Route 33 Bridge at West Point upstream to the Route 360 Bridge at Aylett.
- **Rappahannock River** - from the Route 360 Bridge at Tappahannock upstream to the Route 1 Bridge at Falmouth.

REPORT FORM HELPFUL HINTS:

- Your MRC ID can be found on your VMRC licenses and permits.
- You must include length information on each trophy size striped bass that is kept or released.
- Lengths are total lengths in inches (to nearest 1/4 inch) and is measured in a straight line from tip of nose to tip of tail.
- Weights (in pounds) are optional, but preferred.
- Your report must include the water body where you fished. A list of water bodies is provided with this form.

ONLINE REPORTING is available at www.vasaltwaterjournal.com

RETURN REPORTING FORM TO:
Virginia Marine Resources Commission
2600 Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor
Newport News, VA 23607-0756

WATER BODIES: PLEASE LIST THE WATER BODY ON YOUR REPORTING FORM

BACK BAY	ANGLERS (REEF)	ASPHALT PILE (REEF)	BACK RIVER
BACK RIVER (REEF)	BOGUE BAY	BRADFORD BAY	BURTON'S BAY
CABBAGE PATCH (REEF)	CHERRYSTONE (REEF)	CHESAPEAKE BAY (GENERAL)	CHESAPEAKE BAY (LOWER-EAST)
CHESAPEAKE BAY (LOWER-WEST)	CHESAPEAKE BAY (UPPER-EAST)	CHESAPEAKE BAY (UPPER-WEST)	CHICKAHOMINY RIVER
CHINCOTEAGUE BAY	CHUCKATUCK CREEK	COAN RIVER	COBB BAY (SEASIDE E. SHORE)
CORROTOMAN RIVER	CURRIOMAN RIVER	EAST OCEAN VIEW (REEF)	EAST RIVER
ELIZABETH RIVER	FLEETS BAY	GARGATHY BAY	GREAT WICOMICO RIVER
GWYNN ISLAND (REEF)	HOG ISLAND BAY	HORN HARBOR	JAMES RIVER (CENTRAL)
JAMES RIVER (GENERAL)	JAMES RIVER (LOWER)	JAMES RIVER (UPPER)	KEGOTANK BAY
LAFAYETTE RIVER	LITTLE WICOMICO RIVER	LOWER MACHODOC CREEK	LYNNHAVEN BAY
MAGOTHY BAY	MATTAPONI RIVER	MATTOX CREEK	METOMKIN BAY
MILFORD HAVEN	MOBJACK BAY	MOBJACK BAY (REEF)	NANDUA - PUNGOTEAGUE (REEF)
NANSEMOND RIVER	NASSAWADOX (REEF)	NEWPORT NEWS MIDDLE GROUND (REEF)	NOMINI BAY
NORTH RIVER	NORTH LANDING RIVER	NORTHERN NECK (REEF)	OCCOHANNOCK (REEF)
OUTLET BAY	OYSTER BAY (SEASIDE E. SHORE)	PAGAN RIVER	PAMUNKEY RIVER
PIANKATANK RIVER	POCOMOKE RIVER	POCOMOKE SOUND	POQUOSON RIVER
POQUOSON (REEF)	POTOMAC CREEK	POTOMAC RIVER (LOWER-VA)	POTOMAC RIVER (LOW-CENTRAL-VA)
POTOMAC RIVER (UP-CENTRAL-VA)	POTOMAC RIVER (UPPER-VA)	POTOMAC RIVER (GENERAL-VA)	POTOMAC RIVER TRIBS (GEN-VA)
RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER (CENTRAL)	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER (GENERAL)	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER (LOWER)	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER (UPPER)
ROSIER CREEK	SEVERN RIVER	UNCLASS SEASIDE BAYS & RIVERS	SOUTH BAY
SWASH BAY	THE CELL (REEF)	TANGIER SOUND	UPPER MACHODOC CREEK
UPSHUR BAY	WARE RIVER	WARWICK RIVER	WATTS BAY
WILLOUGHBY BAY	WINDMILL POINT (REEF)	WINTER HARBOR	YEOCOMICO RIVER
YORK RIVER (CENTRAL)	YORK RIVER (GENERAL)	YORK RIVER (LOWER)	YORK RIVER (UPPER)
YORK SPIT (REEF)	UNCLASSIFIED TRIBS OF CHESAPEAKE BAY	OCEAN (E SHORE)	OCEAN (VA BEACH)
HAMPTON BAR	BLUEFISH ROCK AREA	CONCRETE SHIPS	OLD PLANTATION LIGHT
THIMBLE SHOAL	CBBT - CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE TUNNEL	CBBT 1ST ISLAND	CBBT 2ND ISLAND
CBBT 3RD ISLAND	CBBT 4TH ISLAND	CBBT HIGH RISE BRIDGE	LATIMER SHOAL
SMITH INLET SHOAL	RED CAN BUOYS	BLACK CAN BUOYS	INNER MIDDLE GROUND SHOAL (NINE FOOT SHOAL)
FORT MONROE	JAMES RIVER FISHING PIER	LYNNHAVEN FISHING PIER	OCEAN VIEW FISHING PIER
LITTLE ISLAND FISHING PIER	VIRGINIA BEACH FISHING PIER	CBBT SEA GULL FISHING PIER	YANCEY WRECK
BIG D WRECK	CAPE HENRY WRECK	CABBAGE PATCH (Not the Reef)	KIPTOPEKE STATE PARK FISHING PIER
36A BUOY (near Cape Charles)	OCCOHANNOCK RANGE LIGHT	MUSSEL BEDS (near Cape Charles)	CORAL LUMP (near Cape Charles)
WILLOUGHBY SPIT/JETTY	HRBT - HAMPTON ROADS BRIDGE TUNNEL	HRBT SOUTH ISLAND	HRBT NORTH ISLAND
YORK SPIT LIGHT	WOLF TRAP LIGHT	MMBT - MONITOR MERRIMAC BRIDGE TUNNEL	TEXACO WRECK (near Cape Charles)
AIRPLANE WRECK (near Cape Charles)	NORFOLK CANYON	WASHINGTON CANYON	BLUEFISH ROCK (REEF)
MARYLAND WATERS			

