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Reminder: Black Sea Bass to Re-open in the South Atlantic

Commercial and recreational fishing for black sea bass will open at 12:01 a.m. June 1, 2011. Both sectors will remain open until May 31, 2012, or until the commercial quota or recreational annual catch limit is met.

The recreational bag limit is 15 fish per person per day. A final rule for Regulatory Amendment 9 to the Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic Region (Regulatory Amendment 9) is under review. If approved, the final rule would reduce the black sea bass bag limit from 15 fish per person per day to 5 fish per person per day. NOAA Fisheries Service will

provide notice of these regulation changes as soon as the rule files in the *Federal Register*.

Other Fisheries Opening Soon

The vermilion snapper commercial fishery will open at 12:01 a.m. July 1, 2011.

More Information

For more information please refer to [Regulatory Amendment 9 Frequently Asked Questions](#), [Black Sea Bass Frequently Asked Questions](#), and or the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Web page at: www.safmc.net.