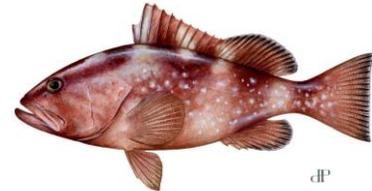
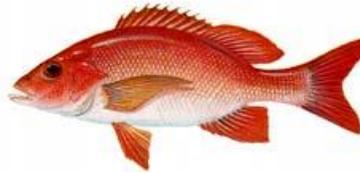
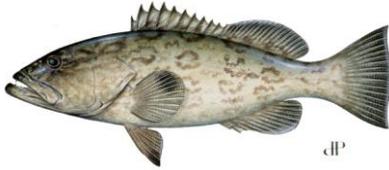


Gulf of Mexico Grouper, Tilefish, and Red Snapper

Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Program

Frequently Asked Questions

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Eligibility and Apportionment of Initial IFQ Shares

Who is eligible to participate in the IFQ program?

- In order to participate in either individual fishing quota program (red snapper or grouper-tilefish), participants must have an active online account. Information required on the application will include:
 - Contact information (Name, address, phone number);
 - Certification that the entity is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident alien;
 - Tax identification number.
- The online account application will be offered at no charge and all participants will be required to update the application every 2 years in order to maintain an active online account.
 - Everyone who holds an active IFQ Online Account is eligible to purchase red snapper shares and allocation.
 - Everyone who holds an active IFQ Online Account and valid federal commercial Reef Fish permit is eligible to purchase grouper and tilefish shares and allocation.
 - ***Only participants with shareholder accounts, allocation, and a commercial reef fish permit are allowed to harvest and sell IFQ managed species.***
- Everyone who possesses a valid commercial Gulf of Mexico reef fish dealer permit and active IFQ Online Account are eligible to participate in the IFQ program as a dealer.
- After the first five years of the Grouper-Tilefish IFQ program, January 1, 2015, all U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens will be eligible to purchase *grouper and tilefish* IFQ shares and allocation.

Why is the online account application necessary?

- The online account application is necessary to collect information from non-permitted U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens who are trying to establish IFQ online accounts.
- It is also necessary to collect citizenship information from current participants, as this information was not previously collected on permit applications, as well as to maintain up-to date contact information for participants.

Can a non-permitted participant purchase shares and allocation?

- Non-permitted participants will be eligible to purchase only red snapper shares and allocation (i.e. pounds). They will not be eligible to purchase grouper-tilefish shares and allocation until January 1, 2015.

- Shares held by an entity may not exceed the share cap specified for each share category (red snapper, gag, red grouper, deep water grouper, other shallow water grouper, and tilefish).

Will a non-permitted participant be able to harvest and sell commercial red snapper?

- A non-permitted participant will be eligible to obtain and transfer shares and allocation of red snapper but will not be allowed to harvest and sell commercial red snapper.
- Only shareholders with a valid federal reef fish permit and sufficient allocation in their IFQ vessel account are allowed to harvest and sell commercial red snapper.

How can a fisher or dealer set up an account?

- Currently, you must contact IFQ Support either by e-mail or phone to request an IFQ Online Account Application. In the future, the application will be available on the IFQ Web site.
- Dealers are not required to complete an IFQ Online Account Application, but need to contact IFQ Support in order to initiate creating an account.
- After the new user account is created by IFQ Support, a package will be mailed to the new user with information for setting up the account. The package includes information for accessing the online IFQ system, how to go fishing on an IFQ trip, a fact sheet, a copy of the regulations, a troubleshooting guide for using the online system, and a letter containing the UserID.
- The personal identification number (PIN) for their IFQ account will be sent in a separate letter.
- Assistance with online functions is available from IFQ Customer Service, 1-866-425-7627, Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Who was eligible for the initial distribution of shares and allocation?

For red snapper (implemented January 1, 2007):

- Everyone who owned a valid red snapper license on November 22, 2006, received IFQ shares and allocation if red snapper landings were reported under their qualifying license during the qualifying time period.
 - The qualifying time period for Class 1 licenses is 1990 through 2004.
 - The qualifying time period for Class 2 licenses, and for Class 1 licenses issued on the basis of historical captain status, is 1998 through 2004.
- Those who owned a valid red snapper license on November 22, 2006, but did not have any landings reported in association with their qualifying license during the qualifying time period did not receive IFQ shares or allocation because they did not demonstrate a historical dependence on the fishery as required by the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

For grouper and tilefish (implemented January 1, 2010):

- Everyone who owned a valid or renewable commercial Gulf of Mexico reef fish permit as of October 1, 2009, and who had grouper or tilefish landings reported under their permit during the qualifying time period of 1999 through 2004 received initial IFQ shares and allocation.
- Owners of a valid or renewable commercial Gulf of Mexico reef fish permit that did not have any landings during the qualifying time period did not receive initial IFQ shares or allocation but are able to purchase shares or allocation from IFQ shareholders.

How was the amount of IFQ shares each eligible participant initially received determined?

For red snapper (implemented January 1, 2007):

- The red snapper IFQ share allocated to each program participant was determined by the amount of the red snapper landings reported under his or her qualifying license during a specific time period:
 - The IFQ share allocated each current owner of a Class 1 license was based on the ten consecutive years from 1990 through 2004 during which landings reported under the license were highest.
 - The IFQ share allocated each current owner of a Class 1 license issued on the basis of historical captain status was based on the seven years of landings data reported under the license from 1998 through 2004.
 - The IFQ share allocated each current owner of a Class 2 license was based on the five years from 1998 through 2004 during which landings reported under the license were highest.

For grouper and tilefish (implemented January 1, 2010):

- The initial grouper and tilefish IFQ shares distributed to each participant was determined by the average annual landings of grouper and tilefish from logbooks associated with their reef fish permit(s) during the time period 1999 through 2004, with an allowance for dropping 1 year. Dropping a year allows a participant to remove the year with the lowest landings.
- All grouper and tilefish landings associated with a valid or renewable commercial reef fish permit for the qualifying period were attributed to the permit holder as of October 1, 2009, including those reported by a person who held the permit prior to the current owner. Anyone purchasing a reef fish permit after September 30, 2009, did not receive grouper or tilefish shares associated with that permit.

Calculating Allocation

How do IFQ shareholders calculate the amount of IFQ allocation (pounds) they will receive at the beginning of the year?

- Convert the amount of shares you hold from a percentage to a number, by dividing the percentage by 100.
 - **Example:**
 - Amount of Shares Expressed as a Percentage: 1%
 - Divide 1 by 100.
 - $1/100 = 0.01$
 - Amount of Shares Expressed as a Number: 0.01
 - Multiply the commercial quota (gutted weight) for the share category you are converting, by the amount of shares you hold in that category.
 - **Example for calculating Red Grouper Allocation:**
 - The commercial quota for 2012 is 5,370,000 pounds gutted weight.
 - Amount of Shares: 0.01
 - Commercial Quota: 5,370,000 pounds gutted weight
 - $5,370,000 \times 0.01 = 53,700$ pounds gutted weight
 - Therefore, the 2012 IFQ allocation for 1% shares is 53,700 pounds gutted weight.

How will adjustments in annual allocations of commercial quota or shares be distributed among IFQ participants?

- Adjustments in quota can occur if the status of a stock changes as a result of new assessments, or if allowable landings are reallocated between the commercial and recreational fishing sectors.
- Adjustments in a quota will be distributed proportionately among eligible IFQ shareholders based on the percentage of shares each holds at the time of the adjustment. Allocation will be

distributed to the current holder of the shares.

- If an IFQ shareholder's commercial reef fish vessel permit has been permanently revoked, at the beginning of the next fishing year the Regional Administrator (RA) for NOAA Fisheries Service will redistribute the shares held by that shareholder proportionately among remaining eligible shareholders based upon the amount of shares each held just prior to the redistribution. Shareholders already at the share cap will receive no additional shares.

Electronic System Requirements, Account Setup, and Information

Specific account information will be provided only to the shareholder(s) listed on the account after verification of the shareholder(s)'s identity.

What are the electronic requirements for the IFQ program?

- The administrative functions associated with this IFQ program, such as account setup, landing transactions, and transfers are designed to be accomplished online; therefore, all participants need access to a computer and the Internet to participate.
- The Web site can be found out ifq.sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/ifqgt.

What type of account does a participant need?

- Eligible reef fish dealers need an IFQ dealer account, which allows them to obtain a free IFQ dealer endorsement and to complete landing transactions.
- Reef fish permit holders or non-permitted entities that have completed an IFQ online account application need an IFQ shareholder account, which is used to manage shares and allocation.
- Within a shareholder's account, a vessel account is needed for each permitted vessel used to fish for and land IFQ species. Vessel accounts can be set up for new participants by calling IFQ Customer Support.
 - The purpose of the vessel account is to hold allocation required to land IFQ species. Before a landing notification for the vessel is submitted, the vessel account associated with that vessel will need to have enough allocation in the appropriate share categories for the fish on board.
 - Vessel accounts can only hold allocation for use in landing and selling catch of IFQ species. Vessel accounts cannot hold shares. Allocation can be transferred **into** a vessel account from any IFQ shareholder account. However, allocation can only be transferred **out of** a vessel account by the shareholder account for which it is associated.

When does the scheduled end of year maintenance shutdown of the online system occur?

- The maintenance window is from 6 p.m. December 31 to 2 p.m. on January 1.
- IFQ participants may still submit an advanced notice of landing via phone or through their vessel monitoring system during the maintenance window.
- No landing transactions, share transfers, or allocation transfers may be completed during the maintenance window.

Deceased shareholder

How does someone handle an account for a deceased shareholder?

- If the account has multiple shareholders and the surviving shareholder(s) has the user id and PIN – the surviving shareholder(s) can access the account
- If the personal representative/executor/administrator of the deceased shareholder's estate seeks access to the shareholder's account, the personal representative/executor/administrator must

provide the following to the Southeast Regional Office IFQ Support Team: (1) a copy of the court order appointing the personal representative/executor/administrator; **AND** (2) a notarized statement requesting access to the shareholder's account.

- If you have questions about a deceased shareholder's account, call IFQ Customer Service at 1-866-425-7627 and select option 2 during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)
- If the shareholder(s) has a commercial Gulf of Mexico reef fish permit, contact the Permit Office at 727-824-5326 for instructions on how to transfer a reef fish permit

Species Included in IFQ Shares and Flexibility Measures

What species are included in each share category of the IFQ program?

- IFQ shares are separated into the following share categories:
 - Red Grouper
 - Gag Grouper
 - Other Shallow Water Grouper (Other SWG); including black grouper, scamp, yellowfin grouper, and yellowmouth grouper
 - Deepwater Grouper (DWG); including yellowedge grouper, warsaw grouper, snowy grouper, and speckled hind
 - Tilefishes; including goldface tilefish, blueline tilefish, and tilefish
 - Red Snapper
- The following species were part of the IFQ program during 2010 and 2011, but were removed beginning in 2012:
 - Red hind, rock hind, misty grouper, blackline tilefish, and anchor tilefish.

Does the program contain a provision to allow flexibility between gag and red grouper allocation?

- Yes, multiuse allocation allows fishermen to use a small portion of their allocation for one species (either red or gag grouper) to harvest another species (either gag or red grouper) that would otherwise be discarded because the fisherman does not possess allocation for that species.
- Multiuse allocation will not be available for use by fishers until the species-specific allocation for the fish they wish to land and sell (either gag or red grouper) is exhausted.
- Multiuse allocation will be derived at the beginning of each year by converting a portion of the allocation for red grouper and gag to allocation that can be used for either species.
- The multi-use percentages historically are listed below:

Percentage of Multi-Use Allocation		
Year	Gag	Red Grouper
2010	8%	4%
2011	8%	0%
2012	8%	0%

- The percentage of allocation converted to multiuse allocation may change if the quotas for gag and red grouper change.

Were landings adjusted for misidentification of gag and black grouper when grouper IFQ shares were initially distributed? How were they adjusted?

- Yes, the initial distribution of IFQ shares was based on landings adjusted for misidentification of gag and black grouper.
- Adjustments to landings were only made to fishing trips that reported landing gag or black grouper, but not both. For trips reporting both gag and black grouper, landings were assumed to be reported accurately and were not adjusted.

- Gag and black grouper landings for each fisher were determined by trip and statistical area fished. Gag and black grouper landings were then adjusted for each trip using gag: black grouper landing ratios observed by dockside interviewers for each statistical area fished.
 - Adjusted gag grouper landings were used in determining gag shares.
 - Adjusted black grouper landings were used in determining Other SWG shares.
- Adjustments to gag and black grouper landings were appealable.

Can some species be landed using more than one share category?

- Yes, to reduce discards, some species found in both deep and shallow water may be landed using either DWG or Other SWG allocation, depending on circumstances.
 - Warsaw grouper and speckled hind will be in the DWG share category. However, when an IFQ fisherman uses all his DWG allocation, warsaw grouper and speckled hind can be landed using Other SWG allocation.
 - Scamp will be in the Other SWG share category. However, when an IFQ fisherman uses all his Other SWG allocation, scamp can be landed using DWG allocation.

Does the IFQ program have an allocation overage provision for IFQ shareholders?

- Yes, IFQ shareholders can land 10% over their remaining allocation on the last fishing trip of the year. Any overage will be deducted from the shareholder's allocation for the next fishing year.
- For example, if 100 pounds of red snapper remain in an IFQ vessel's account on his/her last fishing trip of the year, the shareholder may land 110 pounds of red snapper. However, 10 pounds will be deducted from the shareholder's allocation the following year.
- IFQ fishermen who are only IFQ allocation holders and not IFQ shareholders may not land in excess of their remaining allocation because these individuals do not receive allocation from NOAA Fisheries Service at the beginning of the next year. Therefore, there is no reliable method for compensating for the overage in the following fishing year.

Appeals

Were fishers able to appeal their initial IFQ shares?

- Yes, items subject to appeal under the IFQ system included initial eligibility for IFQ shares based on ownership of a valid commercial reef fish permit, the accuracy of the amount of landings, correct assignment of landings to the permit owner, and correct assignment of gag versus black grouper landings. Hardship arguments were not considered.
- The Regional Administrator (RA) conducted reviews, evaluations, and rendered final decisions on appeals.
- Appeals had to be filed by April 1, 2010.
- The RA determined the outcome of appeals based on NOAA Fisheries Service logbooks.
 - Appellants were required to submit logbooks and/or other supporting documentation to support their appeal. Logbooks are available from the [Southeast Fisheries Science Center](#).
 - If logbooks were not available, the RA may have used state landings records.

What effect did appeals have on initial apportionment of IFQ Shares?

- Ninety-seven percent of grouper-tilefish IFQ shares were distributed to qualifying shareholders on January 1, 2010. The additional 3% was set-aside to settle appeals.
- Any amount remaining of the three percent set-aside after the appeals process was completed was proportionately distributed to the IFQ shareholders who initially received shares.

- The full amount held in reserve was not used to complete the appeals process. The remaining set-aside amounts redistributed on August 3, 2010, were Red Grouper: 2.727313%; Gag Grouper: 2.720724%; Shallow Water Grouper: 2.932531%; Deepwater Grouper: 2.714167%; Tilefish: 2.655847%.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR ACTIVE IFQ PARTICIPANTS

Transferability

Who is eligible to buy IFQ shares or allocation?

- Everyone who owns a valid or renewable commercial Gulf of Mexico reef fish permit and has an active IFQ online account is eligible to purchase IFQ shares and allocation from current IFQ shareholders for the first five years of the IFQ program.
- After January 1, 2012, all U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens are now eligible to purchase Red Snapper IFQ shares and allocation
- After January 1, 2015, all U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens will be eligible to purchase Grouper and Tilefish IFQ shares and allocation.

Can fishers sell multiuse allocation?

- Fishers will be allowed to sell multiuse allocation only after exhausting their corresponding species-specific allocation.
 - For example, a fisherman can only sell his red grouper multiuse allocation if he has used all of his red grouper allocation.
- The restrictions on sale of multiuse allocation ensure a fisherman has allocation to use if either red grouper or gag grouper are landed as bycatch.

How do fishers transfer shares and allocation?

- All transfers take place online via the IFQ Web site.
- For share transfers, approval is required from both the transferor and transferee.
- For allocation transfers, approval is only required from the transferor.
- Transfer of shares and associated allocation are independent. To transfer both shares and allocation, the transferor must complete both a share transfer and an allocation transfer.
- An individual who has been sanctioned will not be permitted to make a transfer.

Share and Allocation Caps

How does the IFQ program prevent one or more participants from purchasing all the available IFQ shares and monopolizing the fishery?

- The Magnuson-Stevens Act requires fishery managers to ensure IFQ shareholders do not acquire an excessive share of the total allowable catch of an IFQ fishery.
- Share caps are defined as the maximum IFQ share issued to a person, corporation, or other entity at the time of initial apportionment of the IFQ shares.
- The intent of the IFQ Share Cap is to prevent one or more Gulf of Mexico commercial reef fish permit holders from purchasing an excessive amount of IFQ shares and monopolizing the fishery.
- The IFQ program also limits the amount of allocation that can be purchased or held by a person or corporation cumulatively during a given calendar year with an allocation cap.
- The allocation cap for the commercial grouper and tilefish fisheries equals the total amount of pounds that corresponds to all share caps combined. There is no allocation cap for red snapper.
- Share caps have been established for each share category (i.e., Red: 4.331882%; Gag: 2.349938%; Other SWG: 7.266147%; DWG: 14.704321%; tilefish: 12.212356%; and Red Snapper: 6.0203%) and can be viewed on the IFQ Web site.

IFQ Endorsements

Are dealers required to have an IFQ endorsement?

- Yes, dealers may access and print their IFQ endorsement in their online account. Endorsements are valid when a dealer's Reef Fish permit is active and they do not have any outstanding Cost Recovery Fees.

Landing Notification

Is the fisher required to land between 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.? Is the fisher required to offload between 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.?

- A vessel can land IFQ species anytime during the day and night, provided that a landing notification has been given between 3 to 12 hours prior to landing.
- Offloading is restricted to the hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Fishers only need to notify law enforcement in advance of landing, not offloading.

Please Note: *For the purposes of these regulations, the term "landing" means to arrive at a dock, berth, beach, seawall, or ramp. "Offloading" means removing grouper, tilefish, or red snapper from a vessel.*

Why must fishers use pre-approved landing locations?

- Approving landing locations in advance ensures the sites actually exist and law enforcement agents can find these sites.
- Proposed landing locations can be submitted via the IFQ Web site or by calling IFQ Customer Service 1-866-425-7627 during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).
- New landing locations will be approved only at the end of each calendar-year quarter. To have a landing location approved by the end of the calendar-year quarter, it must be submitted at least 45 days before the end of the calendar-year quarter.
- Beginning January 1, 2010, landing locations that have not been pre-approved may not be used when landing IFQ species.
- Landing locations must be publicly accessible by land and water.

Why and how do fishers report a landing notification?

- The landing notification requirement is intended to provide law enforcement officers the opportunity to be present at the point of landing so they can monitor and enforce IFQ requirements dockside.
- Fishers can make a landing notification by using the form on their vessel monitoring system (VMS) screen, by calling 1-866-425-7627, or by logging into their online IFQ account.

Please note: Updates to the landing notification screen on VMS units are constrained by programming requirements. Therefore, pre-approved landing locations may not appear on the VMS screen until sometime after approval. The locations will be available when making a notification by phone or online after approval.

What information does the fisher provide on the IFQ landing notification?

- IFQ participants must report a landing notification at least 3 hours, but no more than 12 hours, prior to any landing. Information required for a landing notification includes (but may not be limited to):
 - Vessel identification
 - Approved landing location
 - Dealer's business name

- Time of arrival
- Estimated pounds to be landed in each share category

Please Note: The confirmation code does not automatically give the fisher permission to land the vessel. It simply provides NOAA Fisheries Service a confirmation that a landing notification was made. The fisher is responsible for ensuring all regulations are satisfied (i.e., waiting 3 hours before landing, etc).

Will fishers have to make multiple landing notifications if they plan on landing at more than one location?

- Yes, if the fisher intends to land a vessel containing grouper or tilefish at more than one location, the fisher must make a separate landing notification for each landing location.
- Once a second notification is given, the fisher must be sure at least 3 hours have passed before landing at the second location.
- If a fisher knows the time and location of a second landing, he or she can submit a second notification in advance of landing at the same time as the first notification, potentially reducing the wait time before traveling to the next location.

Will fishers have to make a separate landing notification if they change dealers but not the landing location?

- Yes, a new landing notification must be submitted if the fisher changes dealers. However, the fisher will not have to wait an additional 3 hours.

Landing Transactions

How are landings processed?

- The dealer enters the pounds (gutted) and ex-vessel value of landed fish of each species, along with other information.
 - *Actual ex-vessel value* means the price paid per pound of fish before any deductions are made for transferred (leased) allocation and goods and services (e.g., bait, ice, fuel, repairs, machinery replacement, etc.).
- The fisherman validates the dealer transaction report by entering the unique PIN for the vessel account.
- After the dealer submits the report and NOAA Fisheries Service verifies the information, the online system sends a transaction approval code to the dealer and the allocation holder. This approval code is necessary to verify the transaction is legal and the vessel account has the correct amount of grouper and tilefish allocation before the fish are transported.
- If a discrepancy regarding the landing transaction is discovered after approval, the dealer or vessel account holder (or his or her authorized agent) can initiate a landing transaction correction form.

Will a fisher be able to transport IFQ species on land?

- The fisher must complete a landing transaction with a dealer and receive an approval code before the IFQ species can be transported on land by the fisher or dealer. A copy of the IFQ dealer endorsement must accompany vehicles used to transport IFQ species on land.

How are overages addressed?

- In the event a fisher thinks he or she harvested an amount of grouper or tilefish that exceeds the existing allocation in the vessel account, additional allocation should be transferred into the vessel

account before placing a landing notification.

- A person on board a vessel landing the shareholder's only remaining allocation from a share category can legally exceed, by up to 10%, the amount of the allocation remaining on that last fishing trip of the fishing year.
 - Example: If a shareholder has 100 lbs of red snapper allocation remaining, they may land up to 110 lbs of red snapper on their final fishing trip for that fishing year.
- This overage will be allowed only one time per fishing year for each shareholder.
- Overages will be deducted from the next year's allocation associated with the shareholder's IFQ account.
- Share transfers will not be allowed that would reduce the shareholder's IFQ shares lower than the amount needed to pay back the overage.

Please Note: A person who only possesses allocation and no IFQ shares will not be allowed an overage. That person might not receive allocation in the following year and, therefore, could not pay back the overage.

How do I determine the ex-vessel value of my IFQ fish?

- Ex-vessel value represents the price paid per pound of fish before any deductions are made for transferred (leased) allocation and goods and services (e.g., bait, ice, fuel, repairs, machinery replacement, etc.)
- This allows NOAA Fisheries Service to more accurately analyze the total value of the Gulf red snapper and grouper/tilefish component of the reef fish fishery.

Are cost recovery fees collected for the IFQ program?

- IFQ fishermen are charged a cost recovery fee to recover a portion of the costs required to administer, manage, and enforce the IFQ program.
- The cost recovery fee is three % of the ex-vessel value of the landed fish for the first year. The amount of the fee will be evaluated each year.
- IFQ dealers are responsible for collecting the cost recovery fee from the fisher at the time of each sales transaction and submitting fees to NOAA Fisheries Service on a quarterly basis through the IFQ program using pay.gov.

Miscellaneous Questions

If I have general questions about the IFQ process, what is the phone number for IFQ Customer Support?

- If you have a customer service inquiry, please call **1-866-425-7627** and follow the prompts for IFQ customer support. Customer service calls will be answered from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, Monday to Friday, excluding federal holidays. Any message left after hours, on weekends, or holidays will be addressed during normal working hours. *Please do not leave a landing notification on the voice mail.*

How can I learn more about the commercial grouper and tilefish IFQ program and the responsibilities of IFQ shareholders, allocation holders, and dealers?

- Amendment 29 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan is available to download at the [Gulf Council's Web site](#).

- Other Frequently Asked Questions relating to IFQ programs, as well as Amendment 29, are available at the [NOAA Fisheries Service Web site](#).
- For questions specific to the IFQ program, please call IFQ Customer Service at 866-425-7627 (option 2).
- For additional information please call the Southeast Regional Office's Sustainable Fisheries Division at 1-727-824-5305.

How can I learn more about commercial red snapper IFQ program requirements and the responsibilities of IFQ shareholders, allocation holders, and dealers?

- The final rule implementing the IFQ program describes the complete list of program requirements, and is available to download at:
<http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/sf/RedSnapper/RedSnapperDocs.htm>.
- The Gulf Council's Amendment 26 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan is available to download at:
<http://www.gulfcouncil.org/Beta/GMFMCWeb/downloads/Amend26031606FINAL.pdf>.
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