

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
2021 Chesapeake Bay Commercial Striped Bass Permanent Permit Transfers and Transfers of Shares — Effective 2/22/2021

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces the rules for the permanent transfer of permits or shares associated with permits registered in a Chesapeake Bay commercial striped bass fishery for the 2021 quota year.

Permits Registered in the Chesapeake Bay Common Pool Fishery

- A permit registered in the striped bass common pool fishery may be permanently transferred during the quota year from January 1, 2021 through November 20, 2021.
 - All remaining tags assigned to the permit must be transferred by the transferor to the transferee.

Permits Registered in the Chesapeake Bay Individual Transferrable Quota Fishery

- A permit registered in the striped bass individual transferrable quota fishery may be permanently transferred during the quota year from January 1, 2021 through October 16, 2021.
- A share of the Chesapeake Bay commercial striped bass fishery associated with a permit registered in the striped bass individual transferrable quota fishery may be permanently transferred during the quota year from January 1, 2021 through October 16, 2021.
 - The minimum share transfer for a permanent transfer is the equivalent of 350 pounds, or the entirety of the transferor's share if the transferor has less than the equivalent of 350 pounds.

WHY THIS IS NECESSARY

This action is necessary to ensure Maryland's compliance with the Atlantic State Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Striped Bass.

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This applies to all individuals who are permitted to participate in the commercial striped bass fishery in the Chesapeake Bay.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND TIME

This notice is effective at 12:01 a.m. February 22, 2021.

AUTHORITY

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.15.04H

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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