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**TO: SUMMER FLOUNDER INDUSTRY**

**FROM: VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION**

**SUBJECT: OPENING OF VIRGINIA'S 2024 DIRECTED OFFSHORE SUMMER FLOUNDER FISHERY**

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## 2024 Summer Period

- **Effective 12:01 A.M., Saturday, June 1, 2024, the 2024 Directed Virginia Offshore Summer Flounder Fishery will re-open for vessels with a Virginia Summer Flounder Endorsement License.**
  - The landing limit for the Offshore (EEZ) Fishery from June 1 through June 30, 2024, is 10,000 pounds.
  - Vessels may land a maximum of 10,000 pounds for the entire period of June 1 through June 30, 2024.
- **During the open Directed Offshore Summer Flounder Fishery periods, each vessel shall hold a Virginia Summer Flounder Endorsement License and adhere to the below restrictions:**
  - It is unlawful for any vessel to land in Virginia any amount of summer flounder more than once in any consecutive 5-day period.
  - It is unlawful to possess aboard any vessel in Virginia waters any amount of summer flounder in excess of the total of the Virginia landing limit (10,000 pounds) and the amount of the legal North Carolina or New Jersey landing limit or trip limit.
  - It shall be unlawful for any person to possess aboard any vessel, in Virginia, any amount of summer flounder, once it has been projected and announced that 100% of the quota described in 4VAC20-620-30 A has been taken.

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### **Additional Information**

All announcements regarding the opening and closing of Virginia's Directed Offshore Flounder Fishery can be found on the home page of the agency website (<https://mrc.virginia.gov>), by clicking the link for "Summer Flounder Notices" under the section labeled Commercial Fishing.

If you have questions or comments, contact Jill Ramsey at (757) 247-2243.