



## *Gulf Region*

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# *Notice to Fish Harvesters*

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## **16 F HERRING 2022 SUMMER FISHERY**

**Antigonish, NS – June 30, 2022** - Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) wishes to advise 16 F herring licence holders that 25 t of the 2022 16 F Fall herring quota is available for the Summer fishery.

The Summer fishery will open from 18:00 hours July 4, 2022 until 18:00 hours August 19, 2022. There will be weekend closures from 12:00 hours Friday to 18:00 hours Sunday for all weekends while the Summer fishery is open.

All fish harvesters must hail out to a Dockside Monitoring Company prior to 19:00 each evening before fishing.

A maximum of 100 fathoms of nets are permitted to be fished with or have on board the vessel.

Furthermore, it is reminded that, during the period where fishing is authorized, it is the responsibility of the licence holder to take into account the marine safety notices issued, among others, by Environment and Climate Change Canada and Transport Canada, as well as the standards and best practices in marine safety, and to take all measures to ensure a safe fishery.

### **New in 2022**

#### **Mandatory logbook for harvesters from the Gulf Region**

DFO is reminding harvesters from the Gulf Region of the implementation of a mandatory logbook (paper format) for the commercial and bait herring fisheries in 2022.

Gulf Region harvesters must obtain the **Herring and Mackerel logbook - Fixed gear** from a prequalified supplier and must refer to the conditions of licence for compliance requirements. The list of prequalified suppliers is available at the following link:

[Prequalified Logbook Suppliers \(dfo-mpo.gc.ca\)](https://dfo-mpo.gc.ca/prequalified-logbook-suppliers)

#### **Fishing Gear Reporting System (or Lost Gear Reporting)**

A new online system was launched in July 2021 to allow commercial harvesters to conveniently input lost and retrieved gear information from any smart electronic device. The system is able to capture information such as descriptions, cause of loss and location of the lost gear. Harvesters can create their account and begin reporting through the system at this website: [Sign in \(dfo-mpo.gc.ca\)](https://dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sign-in)

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**Discarding Waste**

In 2022, all commercial fisheries in Canada have a new condition of licence relating to the discharge of garbage from Canadian fishing vessels. The licence holder/operator is prohibited from discarding in Canadian fisheries waters from their vessel any time that may be harmful to fish or fish habitat. Refer to the Notice to Fish Harvesters sent on April 7, 2022 for further details: <https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fisheries-peches/sdc-cps/index-eng.html>.

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