

# *Notice to Fish Harvesters*

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## **2016 COMMERCIAL BLUEFIN TUNA FISHING** **GULF NOVA SCOTIA**

Antigonish (Nova Scotia) – Fisheries and Oceans Canada wishes to advise Gulf Nova Scotia (GNS) tuna licence holders that the commercial tuna fishing season for areas 4T-4Wd will open on August 2, 2016 at 6:00 a.m. (ADT). The fishery will remain open until the quota is harvested or until November 18, 2016, whichever comes first. The total quota available is 51.624 t.

176 tags are available to the GNS fleet in 2016. Tags will be allocated using the revolving tag list that has been used the past several years.

Tag transfers are permitted during the 2016 season. Licence holders may receive a maximum transfer of two tags during the season. A tuna licence holder can only do one of the following, not both:

- Transfer tag(s) to another fisherman;
- Receive tag(s) in a transfer.

The revolving tag list will be resumed if additional tag allocations are available upon review of landings on September 27.

In 2016, there will be no reallocation of tags. The tags and conditions of licence will be valid for the entire 2016 season unless the quota is landed and the season is closed.

Tags will be available for pick up at the Gulf Nova Scotia Area Office in Antigonish on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm or by appointment by calling 1-855-634-2355 or by emailing [GulfInfoGolfe@dfo-mpo.gc.ca](mailto:GulfInfoGolfe@dfo-mpo.gc.ca).

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