



# Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Coastal Sharks Management Board, Advisory Panel, Technical Committee  
**FROM:** Kirby Rootes-Murdy, Senior FMP Coordinator  
**RE:** 2021 Smooth Dogfish State Shares

Earlier this month NOAA Fisheries published the 2021 Atlantic smooth dogfish quota of 1,802.6 dressed weight metric tons (3,971,587 dressed weight pounds, dw lbs). This quota level remains unchanged from 2017-2020.

As stated in Addendum II to the Interstate Coastal Sharks FMP, the coastwide Atlantic smooth dogfish quota will be allocated into state shares. Rollover of unused state shares is not permitted because it could result in overages of the federal coastwide quota. The 2021 state shares are shown in Table 1. Please note that the state shares in pounds do not add up to 3,971,587 due to a rounding error in converting from metric tons to pounds.

Table 1: State-shares<sup>1</sup> of the coastwide smooth dogfish quota in the 2021 fishing year (January – December).

|       | State-Share Percentages | State-Share (dw mt) | State-Share ( dw lbs) |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| ME    | 0.021%                  | 0.4                 | 838                   |
| MA    | 0.433%                  | 7.8                 | 17,196                |
| RI    | 1.363%                  | 24.6                | 54,167                |
| CT    | 0.234%                  | 4.2                 | 9,281                 |
| NY    | 7.953%                  | 143.4               | 316,051               |
| NJ    | 18.828%                 | 339.4               | 748,219               |
| DE    | 0.339%                  | 6.1                 | 13,470                |
| MD    | 6.703%                  | 120.8               | 266,360               |
| VA    | 34.803%                 | 627.4               | 1,383,038             |
| NC    | 28.583%                 | 515.2               | 1,135,876             |
| SC    | 0.742%                  | 13.4                | 29,476                |
| TOTAL | 100%                    | 1,802.6             | 3,971,587             |

If you have any questions, please contact Kirby Rootes-Murdy at [krootes-murdy@asmfc.org](mailto:krootes-murdy@asmfc.org) or 703.842.0740.

<sup>1</sup> State shares are based on total landings by state from 1998-2010