

## TITLE 4. CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

### MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION

#### Final Regulation

REGISTRAR'S NOTICE: The Marine Resources Commission is claiming an exemption from the Administrative Process Act in accordance with § 2.2-4006 A 11 of the Code of Virginia; however, the commission is required to publish the full text of final regulations.

Title of Regulation: **4VAC20-450. Pertaining to the Taking of Bluefish (amending 4VAC20-450-30).**

Statutory Authority: § 28.2-201 of the Code of Virginia.

Effective Date: May 1, 2017.

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Summary:

*The amendment increases the commercial landings quota of bluefish to 1,014,773 pounds.*

**4VAC20-450-30. Commercial landings quota.**

A. The commercial landings of bluefish shall be limited to ~~580,287~~ 1,014,773 pounds during the current calendar year.

B. When it is projected that 95% of the commercial landings quota has been realized, a notice will be posted to close commercial harvest and landings from the bluefish fishery within five days of posting.

C. It shall be unlawful for any person to harvest or land bluefish for commercial purposes after the closure date set forth in the notice described in subsection B of this section.