

Federal Regulations (> 3 miles)

Species	Close Season	Minimum Size (limit)	Harvest Quota	Gear Restrictions	Landing Restrictions	Sale Restrictions
BILLFISH		Blue Marlin = 99" FL White Marlin = 66" FL Sailfish = 63" FL	No comm. harvest		comm = HMSP required rec = HMSP required	No sale
CONCH	NO HARVEST, except Lang Bank from Oct 1 to June 30	9" length OR 3/8" lip thickness	rec. limit = 3/person or 12/boat comm. limit = 150/day	no hookah	meat & shell intact	
CORAL	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST
GROUPERS						
goliath	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST
nassau	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST
black	Feb. 1 - April 30			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
red	Feb. 1 - April 30			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
tiger	Feb. 1 - April 30			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
yellowedge	Feb. 1 - April 30			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
yellowfin	Feb. 1 - April 30			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
LOBSTER		3 ^{1/2} " carapace length		No spears, hooks, gigs, chemicals	whole, no eggers	
SEA TURTLE	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST	NO HARVEST
SHARKS	HMSP required	HMSP required	HMSP required	HMSP required	HMSP required	HMSP required
SNAPPERS						
black	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
blackfin	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
silk	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
vermillion	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
lane	April 1 – June 30			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	
mutton	April 1 – June 30			No gill/trammel net	Landed whole/intact	

Tunas, sharks and billfish are regulated by NOAA's Highly Migratory Species office. Rules can be found at http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/Compliance_Guide/index.htm
Rules are currently undergoing revision.

TUNAS

yellowfin, bigeye & bluefin

Federal Area Closures

Closed Areas	Island	Closure Time	Prohibited Activities
MCD (Hind Bank)	STT	YEAR ROUND	No fishing for any species year round, No Anchoring
Grammanik Bank	STT	Feb 1 – April 30	No fishing with pots/traps, bottom longlines, gillnets or trammel nets year round. No fishing for any species except HMS during closure time.
Mutton Snapper Spawning Agg.	STX	March 1-June 30	No fishing with pots/traps, bottom longlines, gillnets or trammel nets year round. No fishing during closure time.
Red Hind Spawning Agg.	STX (Lang Bank)	Dec 1 – Feb 28	No fishing with pots/traps, bottom longlines, gillnets or trammel nets year round. No fishing during closure time.

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