



*Gulf Region*

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# *Notice to Fish Harvesters*

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## **16 F Herring 2022 Fall Herring Fishery**

### **Antigonish, NS – August 30, 2022**

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) wishes to advise 16 F herring licence holders that the 16 F fall quota is 2,279 t.

The fall fishery will open at 18:00 hours on Sunday, September 11, 2022 until 12:00 hours on October 7, 2022 or until the quota is harvested, whichever comes first. In 2022, daily closures will again be implemented for the fall fishery from 12:00 hours to 18:00 hours in addition to weekend closures for all weekends while the fishery is open.

Fall weekend closures:

1. 12:00 hours Friday, September 16 to 18:00 hours Sunday, September 18
2. 12:00 hours Friday, September 23 to 18:00 hours Sunday, September 25
3. 12:00 hours Friday, September 30 to 18:00 hours Sunday, October 2

The fishing depth restriction of 50 feet in a portion of 16F will again be implemented by Conditions of Licence in 2022.

### **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)

#### **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)

## Discarding Waste

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> .

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.

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