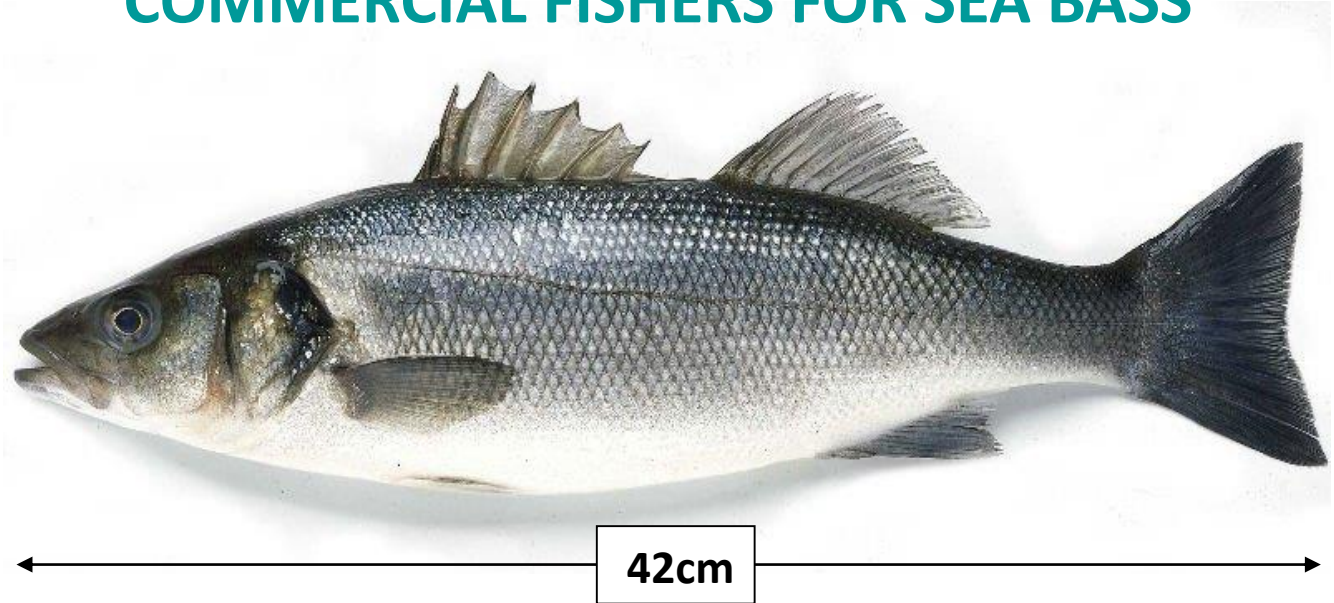


NEW REGULATIONS FOR RECREATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL FISHERS FOR SEA BASS



**NO MORE THAN THREE SEA BASS MAY BE RETAINED PER PERSON
PER DAY (ONLY APPLIES TO RECREATIONAL FISHERS)**

**INCREASE IN BASS MINIMUM CONSERVATION REFERENCE SIZE
FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2015 TO 42CM (APPLIES TO BOTH
RECREATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL FISHERS)**

As part of a package of measures being developed at EU level to address declining bass stocks, The European Commission has implemented a 3 fish daily bag limit for bass for all recreational fishers. This measure applies to all recreational fishers both on the shore and in boats, and means that recreational fishers may only keep 3 fish caught per day (minimum sizes apply).

In addition, European Union member states voted to increase the minimum conservation reference size for bass (*Dicentrarchus labrax*) to 42cm effective 1 September 2015.

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