



NEW JERSEY'S STRIPED BASS BONUS PROGRAM *READ IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT*

Anyone failing to submit log and/or report Bonus harvest to NJ DEP Fish & Wildlife (NJFW) may **NOT** be considered for the Striped Bass Bonus Program (SBBP) the following year.

SBBP INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS:

1) If you harvest a Bonus Fish, it is **MANDATORY** to report it within 24 hours.

- 🐟 Securely attach permit to fish immediately upon capture and prior to transportation.
- 🐟 **To report a Bonus fish:**
 - **Online:** Harvest report form njfishandwildlife.com/sbbp_harvest_reportform.htm
 - Or
 - **Call:** Leave a message at 609-748-2074. This line is *only* used to report harvest of a Bonus fish.
- **Reporting Bonus Harvest on the Fishing Log at the end of the season will NOT satisfy this requirement**
- 🐟 Mandatory reporting information required includes name, permit #, phone number, date of harvest, and fish length. Harvest must be reported as soon as possible.

2) Submit Fishing Log at end of season **even if you did not fish.**

- 🐟 Complete trip log and mail to NJ DEP Fish & Wildlife or submit online at njfishandwildlife.com/bonusbas_log.htm by January 15th, even if you did not fish, to remain eligible for the following year.
- 🐟 **Instructions:**
 - Fill out the log for **yourself only** and list fishing days individually, not grouped together.
 - Record all striped bass fishing trips even if no stripers were caught.
 - Please measure **all** fish caught and list **all** lengths on log. ***NO SIZE RANGES!***
 - Make as many copies of the log as necessary or call for additional copies.
 - Keep the comments coming, especially those concerning the health of the stripers.
 - If you harvest a Bonus fish, record the permit number used under the column on the log.

New Jersey's Striped Bass Regulations:

- 🐟 1 fish 28" to less than 38" in all New Jersey waters.
- 🐟 Visit our website (www.njfishandwildlife.com) to check current Federal and State possession and season regulations for striped bass fishing in your area.

Striped Bass Bonus Program:

- 🐟 Participants are allowed **one** striped bass from 24" to less than 28" per Bonus permit.
- 🐟 One Bonus permit will be issued initially per person. After NJFW receives a harvest report, participants may be issued additional permits up to the discretion of NJFW. The quickest way to receive your next permit is by reporting Bonus harvest online.
- 🐟 If the cumulative harvest weight reaches the annual quota, the program will close for the remainder of the calendar year.
- 🐟 Bonus permits are non-transferable and only valid from May 15 through December 31 for the calendar year issued.

If you require additional information concerning this program or any other striped bass issue, please contact the Nacote Creek office (609-748-2020) or sbbp@dep.nj.gov. NJ DEP Fish & Wildlife developed a voluntary Bonus Program e-mail list for special notices, regulation updates, emergency closures, etc. Go to njfishandwildlife.com and click on "E-mail Lists" to subscribe to the "Marine Fisheries" list.