



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

*Marine Resources Commission*  
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## NOTICE

The Virginia Marine Resources Commission invites public comment on proposed amendments to regulations, as shown below. By March 7, 2022, the proposed draft regulations may be viewed on the VMRC web calendar at <https://mrc.virginia.gov/calendar.shtm>.

In accordance with Section 28.2-209 of the Code of Virginia, a public hearing on the proposed amendments to these regulations will be held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Written public comments on the Fisheries Management Division proposals or on fisheries items not on the agenda must be provided by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 16, 2022 to Patrick Geer, VMRC Fisheries Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Bldg. 96, Fort Monroe, Virginia 23651, or sent by email to [fisheries@mrc.virginia.gov](mailto:fisheries@mrc.virginia.gov) with the subject heading "Commission Comments".

The Commission may review Fisheries Management Division items as early as 9:30 a.m.

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### **I. Chapter 4 VAC 20-490-10 et seq., "Pertaining to Sharks"**

The Commission proposes to amend Chapter 4 VAC 20-490-10 et seq., "Pertaining to Sharks", to increase the trip limit for spiny dogfish and update the commercial smooth dogfish annual quota.

The purpose of these amendments is to maintain consistency with a Federal waters trip limit increase for spiny dogfish and to increase regulatory efficiency while remaining in compliance with the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for smooth dogfish.

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