

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

FISHERIES DIVISION

USE OF TRAWLS

(By authority of Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1955, as amended, being S308.201 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 299.701 Permits for use of trawls.

Rule 1. The director of conservation may, in his discretion, issue permits to commercial fishermen licensed under the provisions of Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1929, as amended, being S308.1 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws, to use trawls for taking chubs, herring, alewife, smelt, and such other species of fish as he may designate.

History: 1979 AC.

R 299.702 Regulation of trawls.

Rule 2. The director of conservation may regulate the use of trawls, including, but not limited to, the kind and size thereof, the size of mesh therein, and the areas, depths of water, and time and manner in which they may be used.

History: 1979 AC.

R 299.703 Illegal possession and disposition of protected species of fish.

Rule 3. No fish of any kind other than those permitted to be taken in trawls may be possessed aboard a boat engaged in trawling under authority of such permit. All species of fish, other than permitted to be taken in trawls, whether dead or alive, shall be immediately returned to the water.

History: 1979 AC.

R 299.704 Conditions of permit; records, reports, and inspections.

Rule 4. The terms and conditions of any permit issued hereunder shall require permittee to:

(a) Maintain and submit such records and reports of his trawling operations as the director of conservation may require.

(b) Allow the director of conservation or his authorized representatives to enter into or upon any boat, dock, or fish house used in connection with the trawling activities of said permittee for the purpose of observing operations and examining equipment, records, and catch of fish.

History: 1979 AC.

R 299.705 Amendment, suspension, revocation, and expiration of permits.

Rule 5. The director of conservation may amend or suspend any trawling permit so as to restrict or prohibit trawling in waters where species of fish, other than those authorized to be taken, are caught or killed, and may revoke the permit of any trawler who fails to abide by the terms and conditions of his permit. All trawling permits shall expire on December 31 following date of issue unless sooner revoked.

History: 1979 AC.