# CT DEEP 2019 FISHING REPORT NUMBER 21 9/6/2019







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Providers of some of the information in this report included Candlewood Bait & Tackle, Captain Morgan's Bait & Tackle, JT's Fly Shop, The Fish Connection, Yankee Outdoors, CTFisherman.com, and a number of bass fishing clubs & organizations.

LARGEMOUTH BASS fishing continues to be variable, mostly slow to fair with a few places on the good side. Be prepared to look in a variety of habitats for them (and passing fronts keep confusing things). Fair to good reports from Wononskopomuc, Pachaug Pond, Quaddick Lake, Lake Lillinonah and Amos Lake, and things may also be picking up in other southeastern CT waters. Fishing at Candlewood Lake, the Bolton Lakes, the Congamond Lakes, Mashapaug Lake and Long Pond are reported to be slow.

**Tournament angler** reports are from Lake Lillinonah (one club found it slow to fair for most and good for a few, with a 4.07 lb lunker; a second club enjoyed fair to good fishing, with a 6.00 lb lunker), Winchester Lake (slow, and nothing of any size – only a 1.20 lb lunker), Wononskopomuc Lake (good for most, with a 4.20 lb lunker and a **2.45 lb average weight per fish**) and the CT River (very tough for an evening club out of Salmon River, with a 2.13 lb lunker).

SMALLMOUTH BASS. It's still slow at Candlewood Lake (try deep but also test other places, alewives or swimbaits may work), Lake Zoar is providing some action and Lake Lillinonah has been tough. River smallmouth fishing on the upper Housatonic River continues to be good, the upper CT River (Enfield area) has slowed some but is still good and the Shetucket River and Quinebaug Rivers are still producing some action (try poppers and night crawlers).

**Tournament angler** reports are from Lake Lillinonah (slow for most).

"Discover Outdoor Connecticut Day" Hammonassett State Park on Sunday, September 15.



Get details about "Discover Outdoor Connecticut Day" being held at Hammonassett State Park on Sunday, September 15. Spend a FREE, fun-filled day exploring Connecticut's fish and wildlife resources and legacy of outdoor traditions, with live animals, demonstrations, fish casting, fly tying, archery, kid's activities, outdoor skills, a photo contest, and more. Bring a picnic lunch (concessionaire also on site) and stay for a few hours or the whole day!

**TROUT-** *RIVERS & STREAMS.* Cool "fall-like" temperatures continue and our fall trout stocking is scheduled to begin next week. We will be stocking our Trout Parks, Trout Management Areas, Trout Management Lakes, Trophy Trout Areas, and some of the most popular waters that do not have any special trout designation. We are not allowed by state statute to release most stocking information ahead of time, however, as soon as we stock we get the work out via our <u>Facebook page</u> and have a list on our <u>web page</u>. For now, the best bet for action remains the tail-water habitat (super cool) of the West Branch and mainstem Farmington River (down to about Unionville) or the Housatonic River (cooler temperatures have prodded some trout to leave the refuge areas, and they are reportedly biting, early and late in the day best). For a challenge, try some of our Wild Trout Management Areas (these tend to have good cold flow year round) for some wild brookie and brown action. All Wild Trout Management Areas are listed in our <u>Fishing Guide</u>. Terrestrial fly patterns are good to include in your offerings.

Flow conditions in CT remain variable with higher than typical early September flows east of the Connecticut River and flows at or a bit below typical levels west of the Connecticut River (see stream flow graphic on page 5 or check stream flows anytime for 68 USGS gauging stations at the <u>USGS web site</u>). Cool weather is forecast for the weekend and beyond which will help to facilitate our stocking (we need water temperatures, oxygen level, and flows to all be adequate prior to stocking).

Farmington River – Fishing continues to be good to very good and conditions for the weekend and next week should be good. Flows are clear and continue to be low (currently 56 CFS at Riverton plus 21 CFS from the Still River), and remain very comfortable for fishing.

**Hatches/patterns** earlier this week the flying ants were in full dispersal mode – look for that activity to persist for a while but in lower abundance with the new "dry" air in place. Evening hatches are picking up a bit. Good offerings include Tricos (Tricorythodes #22-28 in the morning; best in the catch-andrelease-section of the river), Ephemerella needhami (#22-26, early morning), Winter/Summer caddis (#18-24), Blue Wing Olives (Drunella sps. & Baetis sps.; #18, 22-24, mid-late afternoon), Caddis (tan #16-20, all day; green #22-26, evening; summer pupa #18-20 morning), Cahills/Summer (Stenonema ithaca, #12-14, early morning), Midges (#22-28, morning), Black Ants (#12-18, midday in fast water), Black Beetles (#16-18, midday), Flying Ants (#18-22, midday, when windy/humid), and Stone Hopper (#8-12, mid-day). Try nymphing in the early morning. Fish are falling for Bead Head, Midge Pupa, Zebra Midge or Copper John patterns. Streamers, large and shiny, are also a good option (Hare's ear, Pheasant Tail, White Zonkers & Buggers (#4-12), Muddlers, Grey or Black Ghost).

**Housatonic River** – The river continues to be very wadeable and fishable. Cool temperatures have reduced stress on the trout

Real time Water Temperature Data is available from the Riverton gauge on the USGS Current Conditions for Connecticut Streamflow website (https://waterdata.usgs.gov/ct/nwis/current/?type=flow).

DEEP's Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse was instrumental in funding this addition to the USGS gauge. This new data will be helpful, including for monitoring conditions and determining the need for additional monitoring farther downstream, especially during droughts and heat waves.

Here's the link that will take you directly to the USGS 01186000 WEST BRANCH FARMINGTON RIVER AT RIVERTON, CT online gauge data:

https://waterdata.usgs.gov/ct/nwis/uv? cb\_all\_eon&cb\_00010=on&cb\_00060=o n&cb\_00065=on&format=gif\_default&si te\_no=01186000&period=17&begin\_dat e=2019-06-25&end\_date=2019-07-09

Note that if you save the direct link above, you'll need to update the dates every few days as it takes one to a specific time period (in this case 6/22 – 7/9).

and they are moving back out into the river to feed (especially early morning). Flows are back up to typical levels, currently 296 CFS at Falls Village and 425 CFS at Gaylordsville. Anglers can call the **FirstLight Power Resources flow line at 1-888-417-4837 for updated river information or check the <u>USGS website</u> for up to** 

date real time streamflow data from a number of USGS gauging stations including two on the upper Housatonic River.

The Smallmouth Bass fishing is outstanding and are super challenging when caught on light tackle. Crayfish and Hellgramites, both readily available from within the river, are perfect bait - try alders and White Flies (still going good) for some great fly fishing action for smallies. Carp and Pike are other solid bets especially in the section above "Great Falls" and in the Bulls Bridge impoundment (Kent).

*Hatches/patterns.* The White fly hatch is wrapping up. Other insects include Sulfurs (#14-18, evening), Blue Wing Olive (#16-18, cloudy days, early morning; spinner fall in evening), Light Cahill (#12-14, evening),

(Isonychia bicolor, #10-12 has been active lately, fast water, evening) and Black caddis (#14-18, early morning & evening). Streamer fishing and nymphing with big stoneflies have been very productive. Don't forget poppers and streamers (morning & evening). Patterns to try include White Zonkers, Wooly Buggers, Muddlers, Grey or Black Ghosts (#4-10). Also try brown crayfish, they are effective right now.

Anglers are reminded that the thermal refuge areas on the Housatonic, Naugatuck and Shetucket Rivers are closed to fishing (as of June 15). These areas will reopen on September 15. There is no fishing within 100 feet of signs indicating such closure at or near the mouths of tributaries to these rivers. Please call our dispatch to report any illegal fishing 860-424-3333.



**TROUT-** *LAKES & PONDS* – No reports for trout again this week. Crystal Lake, East Twin Lake and West Hill Pond may provide some sparse and limited action.

CHANNEL CATFISH. The more productive areas include the CT River (evenings/nights best but cats are being found throughout the day in the Hartford area), Batterson Park Pond, Mohegan Park Pond, Wauregan Reservoir, Crescent Lake (Southington), Lake Wintergreen, and Beardsley Park Pond. Some cats are also be found at Lake Quonnipaug. Other places to try include Stillwater Pond, Burr Pond, Silver Lake, Hopeville Pond, and Black Pond.

Please note the Fisheries Division is conducting population estimates for the next several weeks on Burr Pond, and Lake Kenosia. Our nets (right) will be marked with orange buoys. Please do not disturb the nets.

**COMMON CARP.** Try south of Middletown in the CT River and the coves for big carp. Other carp favorite water include Lake Zoar, Candlewood Lake, the upper Housatonic River, Batterson Park Pond, Aspinook Pond and West Thompson Reservoir. Pre-Bait your area to bring in plenty of hungry carp.



**NORTHERN PIKE.** No reports for pike this week. Bantam Lake, Pachaug Pond, Hopeville Pond, Lake Lillinonah, Lake Zoar, Winchester Lake and Mansfield Hollow Reservoir are all good places for pike. Some nice pike can also be found in the small impoundments on the Housatonic River from Bulls Bridge up to Salisbury.

**PANFISH.** Perfect time of year to go to your favorite pond and load up on bluegill and perch. It's great for families and will get kids hooked on fishing. Fly-fishing with small poppers will provide some great catches. Also, try suspending poppers to catch a few crappie. Some good sunnie action reported from Burr Pond, Wood Creek Pond, Freshwater Pond, Lake Wintergreen, Lake Lillinonah, and Aspinook Pond. Black Crappie are also providing some action across the state. Looking for a new place to fish? Check out our interactive mapping application.

**WALLEYE.** Late evening and nighttime is generally the best for Walleye fishing. Some good fishing for 'Eyes reported from the upper CT River with a number of fish caught, and Squantz Pond is also providing some action (try alewives for bait). Other places to try include Beach Pond, Coventry Lake, Gardner Lake, Mashapaug Lake, Mount Tom Pond, Saugatuck Reservoir, Lake Saltonstall and Batterson Park Pond.

**CHAIN PICKEREL.** Early September pickerel action has been fairly good (and downright annoying for some bass anglers). Good reports from Wononskopomuc Lake.

**CONNECTICUT RIVER.** Flows in the river are on the rise and nearly triple that of last week (currently 9,370 CFS at Thompsonville). Bowfin fishing remains good. Good to very good action for **catfish** (Whites and Channels) throughout the river, with a number of 4-8 lb fish caught in the Enfield (a couple of 10-11 lb fish reported), Glastonbury, and Middletown areas. For catfish, fish the deep holes by day and the adjacent shallow flats by night. Fishing for **Largemouth Bass** was slow to fair in the Salmon River Cove/Haddam Meadows area. **Smallmouth Bass** were providing some very good action in the Enfield area and some decent **Common Carp** action is being found throughout the river.

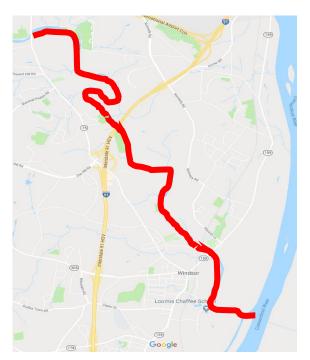
IMPORTANT NOTICE - Please note that an accidental release of fire-fighting foam from a hangar at Bradley International Airport on June 9. DEEP and the Department of Public Health have lifted the advisory concerning boating and swimming in this section of the lower Farmington river. The advisory to not <u>eat</u> fish caught from this area remains in place until further testing is completed and results analyzed.

#### **ZEBRA MUSSELS REMINDER**

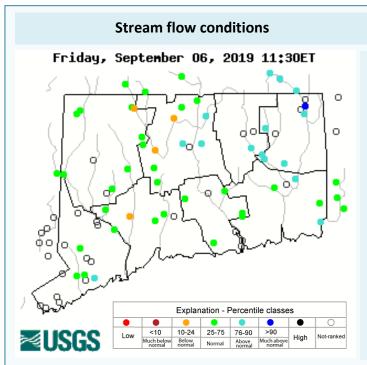
Zebra mussels are now found in a number of locations scattered throughout the Housatonic River and its impoundments including Lake Lillinonah (since 2010), Lake Zoar (since 2010) and Lake Housatonic (since 2011).

Prior to their discovery in Lakes Lillinonah and Zoar in 2010, zebra mussels had been found (1998) in CT only in East Twin Lake and West Twin Lake (Salisbury). Anglers fishing in any of these waters and western Connecticut in general should use extra care to avoid transporting water, aquatic vegetation, and possibly zebra mussels to new locations. Information

For more information including precautions that should be taken to prevent the spread of zebra mussels to additional waters, visit <a href="https://www.ct.gov/deep/invasivespecies">www.ct.gov/deep/invasivespecies</a> or the Aquatic Invasive species section of the 2018 CT angler's Guide(<a href="https://www.ct.gov/deep/anglersguide">www.ct.gov/deep/anglersguide</a>).



Section of the lower Farmington River possibly affected by the recent firefighting foam release under the cautionary advisory.



Data in the state graphic to the left are generated by the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) and are available on line at: <a href="http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ct/nwis/rt">http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ct/nwis/rt</a>
A percentile is a value on a scale of one hundred that indicates the percent of data in the data set equal to or below it. For example streamflow greater than the 75th percentile means only ¼ of the streamflow values were above the value and thus would be considered "above normal". Stream flow between the 25th and 50th are considered to be "normal flows" and those 25th or less are considered to be "below normal".

#### **NOTES & NOTICES:**

**COLEBROOK RIVER LAKE (boat launch).** Due to low water levels the regular boat launch at Colebrook River Lake is closed. Boaters can call the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) at 860-379-8234 for updated information.

CONNECTICUT RIVER (invasive species alert). In 2016 hydrilla was found in the main stem Connecticut River in Glastonbury (near Glastonbury's Riverfront Park & Boathouse). Hydrilla has now spread throughout the river and can be found in numerous areas. See the Coventry Lake entry on the next page for what river users should do to prevent spread of this invasive plant to other waterbodies.

COVENTRY LAKE (invasive species alert). Hydrilla, a very highly invasive aquatic plant, has been found growing in Coventry Lake. All lake users should take extra care to check and clean their boats (including canoes, kayaks and rowing sculls), trailers, and fishing equipment before leaving the launch.

**STANLEY QUARTER PARK POND (drawdown).** A 2-3 foot drawdown for dam repairs is ongoing. Accessing the water may be limited.



Known locations of hydrilla at Coventry Lake (Wangumbaug Lake). Boaters should avoid these areas noted with red to avoid fragmenting and spreading hydrilla.



### MARINE FISHING REPORT

Surface water temperatures in Long Island Sound (LIS) are in the high 60's °F.Check out the following web sites for more detailed water temperatures and marine boating conditions:

http://www.mysound.uconn.edu/stationstat.html http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/

http://marine.rutgers.edu/mrs/sat\_data/?nothumbs=1 http://www.wunderground.com/MAR/AN/330.html

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS for ANGLERS:**

- <u>SEE A TANGLED TURTLE? CALL THE HOTLINE!</u> 1-860-572-5955 ext. 107. This is the time of year when leatherback, loggerhead, green, and Kemp's Ridley sea turtles return to northern waters, with many sightings around Long Island Sound.
- NORTHERN DIAMONDBACK TERRAPIN TURTLE Many shore anglers fishing in the lower Connecticut and Housatonic Rivers and other estuaries are encountering these beautiful brackish water turtles while fishing. They will frequently feed on fishermen's live or dead bait when bottom fishing. They are a protected species with very low abundance. Please take great care (use needle nose pliers) when removing the hook and release the turtle without avoidable harm. Terrapins have a long lifespan of about 25 to 40 years. Thank you for supporting conservation!

## **Public Input Wanted regarding Striped Bass:**

The DEEP Marine Fisheries Program is hosting two public hearings of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission to gather input on Draft Addendum VI to the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Striped Bass. Draft Addendum VI was initiated in response to the 2018 Benchmark Stock Assessment, which indicates the resource is overfished and experiencing overfishing. The Draft Addendum explores a range of management alternatives designed to end overfishing and reduce fishing mortality to the target level in 2020. Get more details <a href="https://example.com/hearts/hear

The hearings will be held at:

7:00 PM, **Monday September 23, 2019**DEEP Marine Headquarters Boating Education
Center (rear building)
333 Ferry Road
Old Lyme, CT 06371

7:00 PM, Wednesday September 25, 2019

Port 5 Hall

69 Brewster Street
Bridgeport, CT 06605

If you cannot attend and would like to have formal comment- Fishermen and other stakeholders are encouraged to provide input on Draft Addendum VI either by attending one of the public hearings or providing written comment. Public comment will be accepted until 5 PM (EST) on October 7, 2019 and should be sent to

**AND** 

Max Appelman, Fishery Management Plan Coordinator, 1050 N. Highland St, Suite A-N, Arlington, VA 22201; 703.842.0741 (FAX) or at comments@asmfc.org (Subject line: Striped Bass Draft Addendum VI). Additional details here.

ATLANTIC BONITO & LITTLE TUNNY fishing is improving...but getting better as each day passes... These small tunas are heading west...cruising around from Newport, Pt. Judith, Watch Hill to Pine Island (including Fishers Island Sound), and the Race to Little Gull Island, from Bartlett Reef to Black Point and west to New Haven/Woodmont. Dawn/dusk is the best time to fish for these inshore tunas. Try casting metal (heavy) lures to feeding fish on the surface. A quiet approach and finding birds (gulls/terns) actively feeding is the key to a successful trip.

STRIPED BASS fishing remains very good. "Schoolie"-sized bass are very common and can be caught from most shore fishing access areas. It's time to fish your coastal state parks. The action has been spectacular. For those looking for giant-sized bass hook up with a charter boat and learn how to catch those "cow" bass. Live lining bunker (Atlantic menhaden) on the reefs at dawn and dusk is producing some nice bass (52 inches – 53 pounds). Bunker (Atlantic Menhaden) schools are scattered throughout the Sound. Try live lining a whole bunker for that CT trophy fish award sized striped bass rather than cutting up the bunker into chunks. Striped bass prefer a live bunker. Striper spots include the Watch Hill reefs, Ram Island Reef in Fishers Island Sound, lower Mystic and Thames River, the Race, Sluiceway, Plum Gut, Pigeon Rip, outer Bartlett Reef, Black Point, the "humps' south of Hatchett Reef, lower Connecticut River, Long Sand Shoal, Cornfield Point, Southwest Reef (outer), Six mile Reef, Falkner Island area, the reefs off Branford, New Haven Harbor (breakwalls) and the upper reaches, Charles Island area, lower Housatonic River, buoys 18 and 20 off Stratford Point, Stratford Shoal/Middle Ground, Milford Point, Penfield Reef, around the Norwalk Islands, and Cable and Anchor Reef. Please use circle hooks when fishing with bait to prevent gut hooking and practice catch & release.

**SUMMER FLOUNDER (fluke)** fishing is getting better as fall approaches. I'm amazed how many trophy fish awards we have received for this species of flatfish. There are some giant doormat-sized fluke out there to be caught. They are feeding heavily prior to their fall migration. Summer flounder (fluke) in the 22" range are being reeled in at Silver Sands and Gulf Beach, as well as Todds Point in Greenwich, Milford's Anchor Beach and Hickory Bluff Bridge in the Rowayton section of Norwalk. Fishermen are reporting some very large doormat fluke being caught (13 lbs 4 ozs, western Sound). Live lining snapper blues in deep water (80 to 125') is the preferred method by fluke sharpies in the fall. The usual summer flounder spots include the south shore of Fishers Island (Isabella Beach, Wilderness Point), Napatree Point and along the beach, off the Stonington breakwater, mouth of the Mystic River over to Groton Long Point, Twotree Island Channel, Black Point/Niantic Bay including the Bloody Grounds, Sound View Beach, Long Sand Shoal, Falkner Island area, New Haven Harbor, off the mouth of the Housatonic River during the flood tide, and around the Norwalk Islands. **Minimum size is 19 inches and the daily creel limit is 4 fish per person.** CT Bait & Tackleshop List

**BLACK SEA BASS** fishing has been consistently good in the Sound. They love to hang out over deep water wrecks and reefs. Black sea bass are still inhabiting Can 12 and Can 16 off Milford and the Green Can "C" off Stratford Shoal Lighthouse. The sea bass have finished spawning and are feeding heavily on crabs and small fish throughout the Sound. Plan a trip on a party/charter boat trip to fish off of Block Island...there are many giant-sized sea bass (5-7 lbs) out there. Eastern Sound (Fishers Island to Block Island and northeast of Montauk) anglers are having better success for trophy sized sea bass. Closer to home, the rocky reefs from Niantic, to Branford (Falkner Island) have been consistent all season. A reminder to all anglers...if you are fishing in water deeper than 100', barotrauma can cause released fish to struggle to make it back to the bottom. A descending devise such as the Shelton Fish Descender can help assist the sea bass air bladder to recompress and get safely back down to the depths. See Fishsmart.org for more information.

SCUP (porgy) fishing is phenomenal...seriously it's amazing. The western Sound scup fishing has been on fire and this week catching 12"-17" jumbos has barely raised an eyebrow. The trifecta of South Benson Pier, Ash Creek and Saint Mary's has been fantastic. The Pleasure Beach Family Pier, Silver Sands State Park, Walnut Beach, Long Beach in Stratford and Gulf Beach Breakwater and Sherwood Island State Park are all producing keeper porgy. Try Gardner's Island, Milford (Charles Island), Montauk and Niantic (Bartletts and Hatchetts Reef). Very accessible shore fishing locations: Calf Pasture beach, Jennings and Penfield beach, Seaside Park, (Milford), Bradley Point Park (West Haven), New Haven, Harkness State Park, Rocky Neck State Park, Kimberley Reef (Guilford), Meigs Point Hammonassett State Park and Fort Trumbull State Park. Locate your favorite Enhanced Shore Fishing Opportunities for these hard fighting and excellent eating "Reef Slammers". These "panfish of the sea" are easily caught on sandworms/cut squid or any other small piece of bait. Contact your local bait and tackleshop for updated fishing information.

**BLUEFISH** fishing is finally very good. Large numbers of 12 -20" bluefish found in the lower estuaries and rivers feeding on juvenile menhaden. Eastern/Central Sound (The Race, Black Point to New Haven) has seen much better fishing for "alligator –sized" blues (11-17 lbs). Bluefish schools are still around although some have moved east. But there are still plenty around in the 2-5 pound and 6-8 pound class with an occasional 15 pounder. Bluefish are wonderful fighting fish but be careful handling them with their sharp teeth.

SNAPPER fishing is very good (incoming tide better) in the tidal creeks and rivers with fish measuring 6 to 12 inches in length.

**HICKORY SHAD** fishing is good in the Black Hall River/**Lieutenant River**, Housatonic River and the lower Connecticut River (DEEP Marine Headquarters fishing pier). Fishing remains good at Fort Trumbull, Black Hall, Clinton Harbor River systems and the lower Connecticut River (DEEP Marine Headquarters fishing pier). Both snappers and hickory shad can be found schooling together at these locations.

**WEAKFISH** fishing is surprisingly good in the central and western Sound. Weakfish in the 16"-23" range have been reported at Long Beach in Stratford. Many scup/sea bass anglers are catching them. Fish up to 26 inches are being reported in the West Haven beaches and Charles Island area. Also, look for weakfish in Guilford/Madison/New Haven Harbor areas.

**NORTHERN KINGFISH** fishing has been very good. Many reports this month from the western Sound including **Walnut Beach** and **Sandy Point**. **Kingfish can be found along hard sand bottom and frequent shallow water beaches**. **This species provide excellent fishing for the shore based angler along with being very good eating**. If you play your cards right you might catch one of these beauties - great bragging rights.

BLUE CRAB fishing is the best it has been in years in all tidal creeks and bays. Many of the large Jimmies (male crabs) have moved upstream. Incoming tide has produced better crab fishing...as the crabs migrate into the shallow water to feed. Remember...all egg bearing females must be released without avoidable injury.

Minimum carapace length is 5 inches for a hard shell crab. Legal gear types include: scoop (dip) net, hand line, star crab trap, circular (topless) trap not exceeding 26 inches in diameter. Maryland Style Crab traps are prohibited and it's illegal to snag blue crabs. Chicken with the skin on it (along with a long handle net) is the preferred method to capture these tasty crabs. Blue Crab Fact Sheet

**SAND SHARKS (SMOOTH DOGFISH)** fishing is good in Long Island Sound with dogfish up to 52 inches in length reported. They are very common and fun to catch when bottom fishing from shore or boat. Unlike most sharks, this dogfish has rows of flat grinding teeth rather than sharp blades, which are ideal for crushing and chewing the crustaceans and mollusks that it hunts. They will bite on any bait fished on the bottom. Often found mixed in with scup, sea bass, summer flounder and sea robins.

SHARK SPECIES YOU MAY ENCOUNTER IN COASTAL WATERS OF CONNECTICUT - : Anglers may catch Sand Tiger and Sandbar (Brown) Shark which are protected and prohibited species and must be released unharmed. IF YOU DON'T KNOW, PLEASE LET IT GO! Coastal shark information.

#### **NOTABLE CATCHES**

Species	Length (in.)	Weight (lbs)	Angler	
Spanish Mackerel	19"	C&R	Marina M.	
Scup	17"	2 lb 10 oz	Kim Abney St Cyr	
Scup	16.5"	2 lb 9 oz	Kim Abney St Cyr	
Scup	16.5"	2 lb 9 oz	Thomas St Cyr	
Black Sea Bass	21.25"	4 lb 9 oz	Kim Abney St Cyr	
Black Sea Bass	22"	4 lb 12 oz	Sebastian Vernali	
Summer Flounder	29"	8 lb 14 oz	Sebastian Vernali	

#### CAUGHT A TROPHY FISH – CLICK HERE FOR THE MARINE TROPHY FISH AWARD PROGRAM AFFIDAVIT

- CONNECTICUT STATE BOUNDARY LINE IN LONG ISLAND SOUND. Anglers please note, although Connecticut has reciprocity with neighboring states (New York, Rhode Island, Maine and Massachusetts), residents of Connecticut are required to have a CT Resident Marine Waters Sport Fishing License to fish in the Marine District.
- CT TIDE INFORMATION can be found on page 64 of the 2019 CT Fishing Guide.
- **FISH RULES APP** Fish Rules is a totally new and innovative way to understand recreational saltwater fishing regulations for state and federal waters from Maine to Texas.

For Current Connecticut Recreational Fishing Regulations: Anglers should consult the 2019 Connecticut Fishing Guide which is now available at most Town Clerks Offices, DEEP offices and at tackle stores selling fishing licenses. Current regulations, electronic versions of the Fishing Guide and additional information can all be accessed on the DEEP website at: <a href="www.ct.gov/deep/fishing">www.ct.gov/deep/fishing</a>.

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