

tests and all prescribed markings must be kept legible.

(7) *Written reports.* Retests of tanks and safety relief devices must be reported by the person making tests to the owner of the tank. Reports must show registered identifying mark and serial number, pressure to which tested, date and place of test, and by whom tested. Reports of the latest retest must be retained by the owner until the next retest has been accomplished and recorded.

(8) Tanks of DOT 106A and DOT 110A-W (§§ 179.300, 179.301, 179.302 of this subchapter) specifications used exclusively for transporting fluorinated hydrocarbons and mixtures thereof, and which are free from corroding components, may be given a periodic complete internal and external visual inspection in lieu of the periodic hydrostatic retest. Visual inspections shall be made only by competent persons.

Acceptance or rejection of a tank must be based upon the methods used for cylinders in CGA Pamphlet C-6, and the results must be recorded on a suitable data sheet, the completed copies of which must be kept by the owner as a permanent record. The information to be recorded and checked on these data sheets are: Date of inspection (month and year followed by a "V" to indicate visual inspection); DOT specification number; tank identification (registered symbol and serial number, date of manufacture and ownership symbol); type of protective coating (painted, etc., and statement as to need for refinishing or recoating); conditions checked (leakage, corrosion, gouges, dents or digs, broken or damaged chime or protective ring, fire, fire damage, internal condition); and disposition of tank (returned to service, returned to manufacturer for repair, or scrapped).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 641

#### Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of an amendment to a fishery management plan and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces that the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) has submitted Amendment 5 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico for review by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary). Written comments are requested from the public.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before November 12, 1993.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to the Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 9450 Koger Boulevard, St. Petersburg, FL 33702. Copies of Amendment 5, which includes a regulatory impact review/initial regulatory flexibility analysis, a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, and a minority report submitted by four Council members which objects to most of the amendment measures may be obtained from the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 5401 W. Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 331, Tampa, FL 33609.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert A. Sadler, 813-893-3161.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson Act) requires that a council-prepared fishery management plan or amendment be submitted to the Secretary for review and approval, disapproval, or partial disapproval. The Magnuson Act also requires that the Secretary, upon receiving an amendment, immediately publish a notice that the document is available for public review and comment. The Secretary will consider

public comment in determining approvability of the amendment.

Amendment 5 proposes to:

(1) Impose a three-year moratorium on additional participants in the reef fish trap fishery;

(2) Require each fish trap or string of traps to be marked with a floating buoy;

(3) Require that fish traps be returned to port at the completion of the tending vessel's trip;

(4) Increase the minimum allowable size of red snapper, currently 13 inches (33.0 cm), in one-inch increments every other year commencing January 1, 1994, until the minimum allowable size is 16 inches (40.6 cm), effective January 1, 1998;

(5) Require all finfish, other than bait and oceanic migratory species, possessed in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) to be maintained with head and fins intact through landing;

(6) Close Riley's Hump, southwest of Dry Tortugas, Florida, to all fishing during May and June of each year;

(7) Create special management zones (SMZs) in the EEZ off Alabama in which fishing for reef fish would be limited to hook-and-line gear having no more than three hooks per line and to spearfishing gear; and

(8) Add the establishment or modification of SMZs, and the gear allowed in each, to the management measures that may be adjusted via a framework regulatory adjustment procedure.

Although comments are requested on all measures contained in Amendment 5, the Secretary is particularly inviting comments on the proposed SMZs. Specific issues of concern will be indicated in the preamble of the proposed rule.

Proposed regulations to implement Amendment 5 are scheduled for publication within 15 days.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: September 10, 1993.

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