

Target Species	Gear Type	Distribution			Notes	Links
		Key Areas	Key Times	Closures		
Lobster						
	Baited traps	26A-1	April 26 - June 26			
		26A-2	April 26 - June 26			
		26A-3	April 26 - June 26			
		26B South	April 29 - June 29			
		26B North	May 6 - July 6			
		25	August 13 - October 14			
		27	May 15-July 15			
Rock crab						
	Baited traps	LFA 26B		Has not been open since 2016, 2015 was the last year of active fishing		
		LFA 26A	August 7 - November 25			
		25	June 26 - July 29 (Summer Fishery)			
		25	October 23 - December 3			
Snow Crab						
	Baited traps	18	April 11 - June 30			
		12F	April 11 - June 30			
		19	July 11 - September 11			
		Buffer Area F		Closed	https://www.glf.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/glt/en/snow-crab-fishing-areas	Scheduled to open July 11th but was delayed due to high winds.
		Buffe Area 18		Closed	https://www.glf.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/glt/en/snow-crab-fishing-areas	
Toad Crab						
	Baited traps	26A (1&3)	July 9- September 29			
American Plaice						
	Mobile Gear	4T		Fishery closed by-catch only		
Atlantic Halibut						
	Fixed Gear GNS	4T	May 23-24, July 19-21, July 26-28, August 23	Management cycle is May15 to May 14 each year. Number and times of openings depend on quota and bycatch (i.e. openings can go well into the fall if quota is available-the year prior there were 9 openings)		
	Fixed Gear PEI	4T	July 11-14, July 25-28, Sept. 12-15, Sept. 26-29			
	Fixed Gear 4Vn fleet	4T	May 25 - June 6; July 30 - August 6; (Test fishery July 26-27)			
	Fixed Gear ENB	4T	13-Jul			
Winter Flounder						
	Mobile: Otter trawl Fixed: gillnet configured as a tangle net - Competitive	4T1		No Directed Fishery		
		4T8		No Directed Fishery		
		4T9 (a&b)		No Directed Fishery		
		Area 16	July 1 to December 31			
Witch Flounder						
	Mobile Gear fleet Otter trawl	4T8	June 1 to December 3			
		4T1	May 15 to December 31			
		4T9b	From May 15 to June 30 and from April 15 to May 14 of the following year			
Herring						
	Bait (herring)	HFA 16A to 16G	July 3-December 31			
	Bait (mackerel)	HFA 16A to 16G		Closed in 2023		
	Spring Fixed Gear	HFA16B, 16C, 16E, 16F & 16G		Closed in 2023		
	Spring Large Seiners	HFA 16D - The Edge	July 1-December 31 (Except for the month of August)			
	Summer Large Seiners	HFA 16A to 16G	July 1 - 31			
	Fall Large Seiners	HFA 16A to 16G	September 1 - October 7			
	Summer Fixed Gear	HFA 16F	July 3 - Aug 18			
	Fall Fixed Gear	HFA 16F	September 11 to October 4			
	Summer Fixed Gear	HFA 16G	July 3 - TBD			
	Summer Fixed Gear	HFA 16D	July 1 - Dec 31			
	Fall Fixed Gear	HFA 16G	September 4 - October 14			
Mackerel						
	Incl. Handline	MFA 16		Closed in 2023		
	Excl. Handline	MFA 16		Closed in 2023		
	Incl. Handline	MFA 16 & 17		Closed in 2023		
	Excl. Handline	MFA 16 & 17		Closed in 2023		
	Purse Seine Spring Temporary	MFA 16		Closed in 2023		
	GNS Fixed Gear	11C		Closed in 2023		

	GNS Fixed Gear	2LC		Closed in 2023	
	Purse Seine Fall Temporary	MFA 16		Closed in 2023	
Shark					
	Recreational	4T	September 1-30		
Squid					
	Jigger	SFA 16	May - December		
Tuna					
	GNB	4RST/4Wd	July 14 - Dec 31		
	GNS	4RST/4Wd	July 1 - December 31		
	GNS Tuna Recreational (Charter)	4T	July 15 - December 31		
	GNSTuna Recreational (Charter)	4Wd	July 15 - December 31		
	PEI Bluefin Tuna	4RST/4Wd	July 15 - Dec 31		
	PEI Tuna Recreational (Charter)	4T	July 15 - Dec 31		
Scallops					
	mobile gear	SFA 22	May 1 to May 27 in 2023		
	mobile gear	SFA 24	November 1 - December 15		
	Recreational	SFA 21, 22	May 1 - October 31		
	Recreational	SFA 23 & 24	May 1 - October 31		
Whelk					
	Whelk Exploratory	LFA 26A		No fishery since 2014 (July 14-Nov. 19)	
Eel					
	Commercial - Fyke Net and Pots	Tidal and inland waters of GNS	Sept 1 to Oct 24		
	Commercial - Spears	Tidal waters of GNS	Jan 15 to April 30		
	Recreational - Pots	Tidal and inland waters of GNS	Sept 1 to Oct 24		
	Recreational - Spears	Tidal waters of GNS	Jan 15 to March 15		
	Recreational - Angling	Tidal waters GNS	Year round		
Gaspereau					
	Commercial - trap net, gill net	Tidal waters GNS	Mar 15 to July 10 with various weekly close times		
	Commercial - Dip nets	Tidal waters GNS	Mar 15 to July 10 with various weekly close times * Margaree River Tidal portions May 1- June 30		
	Commercial - Traps Net	Inland waters GNS	Mar 15 to July 10 (except May 1 to June 30 for Margaree River) with various weekly close times		
	Commercial - Dip Net	Inland waters GNS	Mar 15 to July 10 (except May 1 to June 30 for Margaree River) with various weekly close times		
	Recreational - Dip Net	Tidal and inland waters of GNS	Mar 15 to July 10 with various weekly close times		
Striped Bass					
	Recreational	Tidal and Inland waters GNS	April 15 to October 31 Tidal May 1- September 15 Inland		
Smelt					
	Commercial- bag net, box net, gill net	Tidal waters GNS	Oct 16 to Feb 28		
	Recreational - Gill Net	Tidal waters GNS	Oct 16 to Feb 28		
	Recreational - Dip Net	Tidal and Inland waters GNS	April 1 to June 15		
	Recreational - Angling	Tidal waters GNS	August 1 to May 31		
	Recreational - Angling	Inland waters GNS	April 1- Sept 30 (during open sportfish season)		
Atlantic Salmon					
	Recreational	SFA18	September 1 to October 31		
	Recreational	SFA18- Margaree River	June 1 to October 15 (portions open to Oct 31)		