

40 CFR Part 70

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Air pollution control, Intergovernmental relations, Operating permits, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: November 29, 1999.

Dennis Grams,

Regional Administrator, Region VII.

Chapter I, title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 52—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 52 continues to read as follows:

EPA-APPROVED MISSOURI REGULATIONS

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Subpart AA—Missouri

2. In § 52.1320 the entry in paragraph (c), table titled EPA-Approved Missouri Regulations, Missouri Citation 10–6.110 is revised to read as follows:

§ 52.1320 Identification of Plan.

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(c) EPA-approved regulations.

Missouri citation	Title	State effective date	EPA Approval date	Explanations
Missouri Department of Natural Resources				
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Chapter 6—Air Quality Standards, Definitions, Sampling and Reference Methods, and Air Pollution Control Regulations for the State of Missouri				
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10–6.110	Submission of Emission Data, Emission Fees and Process Information.	12/30/98	12/23/99	Section (5), Emission Fees, is part of the Title V program and has not been approved as part of the SIP.
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PART 70—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 70 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 741 *et seq.*

2. Appendix A to part 70 is amended by adding paragraph (e) to the entry for Missouri to read as follows:

Appendix A to Part 70—Approval Status of State and Local Operating Permit Programs

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Missouri

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(e) The Missouri Department of Natural Resources submitted on July 8, 1999, revisions to Missouri rules 10 CSR 10–6.110, “Submission of Emission Data, Emission Fees, and Process Information,” effective on December 30, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Part 300**

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Notification of U.S. Fish Quota Allocations in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization Regulatory Area

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

ACTION: Notification of U.S. fish quota allocations.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that fish quota allocations are available for harvest by U.S. fishermen in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO) Regulatory Area.

DATES: Fish quotas are effective January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2000.

ADDRESSES: For more information regarding the High Seas Fishing Compliance Act (HSFCA) Permit and NAFO requirements, please contact the Office of the Regional Administrator, NMFS Northeast Regional Office at One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930 (phone: 978–281–9226, fax: 978–281–9371).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NAFO has established and maintains conservation measures in its Regulatory Area that include one effort limitation fishery as well as fisheries with total allowable catches (TACs) and member nation allocations. The principal species managed are cod, flounders, redfish, American plaice, halibut, capelin, shrimp, and squid. At the 1999 NAFO Annual Meeting, the United States received fish quota allocations for three NAFO stocks to be fished during 2000. In addition, the United States received an effort allocation for shrimp in NAFO Division 3M, which will be addressed in a separate notice. The species, fish quota allocation (in metric tons), and location of these U.S. fishing opportunities are as follows:

- (1) Redfish 69 mt NAFO Division 3M
- (2) Shrimp 67 mt NAFO Division 3L
- (3) Squid 453 mt NAFO Subareas 3 & 4

All U.S. fish quota allocations in NAFO are available, on a first-come-first-served basis, to be taken by U.S. vessels in possession of a valid High Seas Fishing Compliance Act (HSFCA) permit and NAFO reporting forms, both of which are available from the NMFS Northeast Regional Office. Note that

vessels issued valid High Seas Fishing Compliance permits under 50 CFR part 300 are exempt from multispecies permit, mesh size, effort-control, and possession limit restrictions, specified in §§ 648.4, 648.80, 648.82 and 648.86, respectively, while transiting the U.S. EEZ with multispecies on board the vessel or landing multispecies in U.S. ports that were caught while fishing in the NAFO Regulatory Area, provided:

(1) The vessel operator has a letter of authorization issued by the Regional Administrator on board the vessel;

(2) For the duration of the trip, the vessel fishes exclusively in the NAFO Regulatory Area and does not harvest fish in, or possess fish harvested in or from, the U.S. EEZ;

(3) When transiting the U.S. EEZ, all gear is properly stowed in accordance with one of the applicable methods specified in § 648.81(e); and

(4) The vessel operator complies with the HSFCA permit and all NAFO conservation and enforcement measures while fishing in the NAFO Regulatory Area.

Relevant NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures include, but are not limited to, maintenance of a fishing

logbook with NAFO-designated entries; adherence to NAFO hail system requirements; presence of an on-board observer; deployment of a functioning, autonomous vessel monitoring system; and adherence with all relevant minimum size, gear, bycatch, and other requirements. Further details regarding these requirements can be found in the current NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures, available on the World Wide Web at <<http://www.nafo.ca>>.

As the United States Government is required to notify NAFO with information regarding vessels intending to fish in the NAFO Regulatory Area, interested parties are encouraged to express their interest to the Office of the Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES**) as soon as possible.

NMFS has received inquiries regarding the possibility of making U.S. fishing opportunities available to U.S. fishing interests using foreign vessels under contractual arrangements. To be consistent with domestic policies and practices under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, in particular the provisions relating

to the total allowable level of foreign fishing and joint venture fishing, and, in light of the apparent capacity of U.S. vessels to take advantage of NAFO fishing opportunities, NMFS has determined that NAFO fish allocations to the United States will not be made available, at this time, to chartered fishing vessels registered to foreign governments.

In the interests of expanding fishing opportunities for U.S. vessels, the United States has begun seeking additional fishing opportunities in the 3L shrimp fishery by requesting that NAFO members that did not fish their shrimp allocation in 1999 transfer such allocations for use by U.S. vessels. Information regarding any additional fishing opportunities resulting from transfers from other NAFO members will be published in the **Federal Register**.

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