



**United States Department of Commerce**  
**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**  
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE  
NORTHEAST REGION  
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«DLR»  
Federal Dealer Number: «DNUM»  
«STRT1»  
«STRT2»  
«CITY», «ST» «ZIP»

Dear «DLR»:

Enclosed are the *Dealer Instructions for NMFS/NER Weekly Quota Reporting using the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System for year 2000*. These are being sent to dealers that have a newly issued permit for bluefish (*Pomatomus saltatrix*), which require submission of weekly summaries for quota-monitored species, and do not hold any other permits with such requirements.

The IVR system is a dealer call-in system for reporting weekly summaries of dealer purchases of quota-monitored species. Required information is entered using a touch-tone telephone. Reports must be submitted using the IVR system within three days of the end of each reporting week. The reporting week begins on Sunday at 0001 hrs (12:01 AM) local time and ends Saturday at 2400 hrs (12:00 midnight). Thus, reports must be submitted by midnight Tuesday each week. The species that must be reported weekly, as noted below, as of August 25, 2000 are summer flounder, spiny dogfish, black sea bass, scup, *Loligo* squid and *Illex* squid and bluefish. If no purchases of quota-monitored species are made during a week, a report so stating must be submitted through the IVR system. A list of the wave/week numbers for the year 2000 and the procedures for submitting weekly reports using the toll-free number are enclosed. Dealers are still required to report purchases of all species on a trip-by-trip basis to their local Port Agent.

**Dealers issued a bluefish permit will begin reporting bluefish purchases through the IVR system for the week ending September 2, 2000 (wave week 35). This report is to contain purchases from August 27, 2000 through September 2, 2000 and is required to be submitted through the IVR system by midnight Tuesday, September 5, 2000.**

In order to access the IVR system, each dealer is assigned a code. These codes are confidential and each dealer's code is unique. Codes should be kept private and not disclosed to others. Your unique code is enclosed in this packet. In the event that you lose your unique dealer code, please contact your local Port Agent (list enclosed) and they can fax your code to you. When calling the Port Agent's office for your code, please supply your dealer permit number as well as your dealer name. For any other questions regarding dealer reporting contact your local Port Agent or our reporting help-line at: [reporting.ne@noaa.gov](mailto:reporting.ne@noaa.gov). Information contained in this packet can also be found on the world wide web at <http://www.nero.nmfs.gov/ro/doc/nero.html> or <http://www.wh.who.edu/ro/doc/nero.html>.

Sincerely,

Gregory R. Power, Chief  
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Enclosure

