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Mike
Would you please distribute to Council Folks. Thanks
Phil

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Hi Jack,
Here is the definition of a black sea bass pot in the 622 regulations, if you would like to forward it on to the Council.
Anik

§ 622.2 Definitions and acronyms.<!--[if !supportNestedAnchors]--><!--[endif]-->

Sea bass pot means a trap has six rectangular sides and does not exceed 25 inches (63.5 cm) in height, width, or depth.

§ 622.40 Limitations on traps and pots.<!--[if !supportNestedAnchors]--><!--[endif]-->

(2) South Atlantic EEZ. (i) A sea bass pot that is used or possessed in the South Atlantic EEZ between 35°15.19' N. lat. (due east of Cape Hatteras Light, NC) and 28°35.1' N. lat. (due east of the NASA Vehicle Assembly Building, Cape Canaveral, FL) is required to have--

(A) On at least one side, excluding top and bottom, a panel or door with an opening equal to or larger than the interior end of the trap's throat (funnel). The hinges and fasteners of each panel or door must be made of one of the following degradable materials:

(1) Ungalvanized or uncoated iron wire with a diameter not exceeding 0.041 inches (1.0 mm), that is, 19 gauge wire.

(2) Galvanic timed-release mechanisms with a letter grade designation (degradability index) no higher than J.

(B) An unobstructed escape vent opening on at least two opposite vertical sides, excluding top and bottom. The

minimum dimensions of an escape vent opening (based on inside measurement) are:

(1) 1 1/8 by 5 3/4 inches (2.9 by 14.6 cm) for a rectangular vent.

(2) 1.75 by 1.75 inches (4.5 by 4.5 cm) for a square vent.

(3) 2.0-inch (5.1-cm) diameter for a round vent.