## **Tilefish Gear Restricted Areas**

## Identification

CITATION CITATION INFORMATION ORIGINATOR NOAA Fisheries Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office PUBLICATION DATE 2014-09-25 TITLE Tilefish Gear Restricted Areas PUBLICATION INFORMATION PUBLICATION PLACE Gloucester, MA PUBLISHER NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) - Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO) ONLINE LINKAGE http://www.nero.noaa.gov/gis ONLINE LINKAGE http://www.nero.noaa.gov/

## DESCRIPTION

ABSTRACT

This dataset depicts the boundaries of the Tilefish Gear Restricted Areas in ESRI shapefile format for the NOAA Fisheries Service's Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO). This shapefile includes boundaries for the following Regulated Areas:

- Oceanographer Canyon Gear Restricted Area
- Lydonia Canyon Gear Restricted Area
- Veatch Canyon Gear Restricted Area
- Norfolk Canyon Gear Restricted Area

Because GIS projection and topology functions can change or generalize coordinates, these GIS files are considered to be approximate representations and are NOT an OFFICIAL record for the exact regulated area boundaries. For information on the official legal definition refer to the Use Constraints metadata section.

#### PURPOSE

Beginning in 2010 and in response to mounting requests for digital depictions of NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters (Regulated Areas), the NMFS Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO) Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Committee launched a project to standardize the development, publication and regular updating of GIS files depicting Regulated Area boundaries. This dataset is a product of that initiative.

This dataset was created to depict the boundaries of NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters (Regulated Areas) only. For information on the proper use of the dataset refer to the Use Constraints metadata section.

TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT TIME PERIOD INFORMATION SINGLE DATE/TIME CALENDAR DATE 2014-09-25 CURRENTNESS REFERENCE Publication date STATUS PROGRESS Complete MAINTENANCE AND UPDATE FREQUENCY As needed

Spatial Domain Bounding Coordinates West Bounding Coordinate -80 East Bounding Coordinate -64 North Bounding Coordinate 46 South Bounding Coordinate 32

KEYWORDS THEME THEME KEYWORD THESAURUS ISO 19115 Topic Category THEME KEYWORD boundaries THEME KEYWORD environment THEME KEYWORD location THEME KEYWORD oceans THEME KEYWORD planningCadastre

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#### PLACE

PLACE KEYWORD	Thesaurus None
PLACE KEYWORD	Atlantic Ocean
PLACE KEYWORD	Greater Atlantic Region
PLACE KEYWORD	Mid-Atlantic
PLACE KEYWORD	New England
PLACE KEYWORD	Southern New England
PLACE KEYWORD	United States
PLACE KEYWORD	US EEZ
PLACE KEYWORD	US Exclusive Economic Zone

# Access Constraints None.

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\*\*\* Temporal Considerations \*\*\* Regulated Area boundary definitions are subject to change or modification. Published datasets may represent historic, current, or future Regulated Areas. When changes to fishing regulations affect this dataset, it will be archived and replaced by an updated version as soon as feasible. Approved Regulated Area boundaries may also be published prior to their effective date. It is the user's responsibility to ensure the applicable Regulated Area boundaries are being used.

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Coastlines change. Unless otherwise noted, where the NOAA Medium Resolution Shoreline is used, assume the regulatory boundary reaches the most current coastline delineation available.

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SECURITY INFORMATION SECURITY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM FIPS Pub 199 SECURITY CLASSIFICATION NO Confidentiality SECURITY HANDLING DESCRIPTION Standard Technical Controls

## Data Quality ►

LOGICAL CONSISTENCY REPORT Check Geometry test has been performed in ArcGIS. **COMPLETENESS REPORT** Features represented are valid. No geometry problems were detected. POSITIONAL ACCURACY HORIZONTAL POSITIONAL ACCURACY HORIZONTAL POSITIONAL ACCURACY REPORT Data were collected using methods that are accurate to within 2-5 meters (EPA National Geospatial Data Policy [NGDP] Accuracy Tier 2). For more information, please see EPA's NGDP at http://epa.gov/geospatial/policies.html LINEAGE SOURCE INFORMATION SOURCE CITATION CITATION INFORMATION ORIGINATOR Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) PUBLICATION DATE 2013-11-25 TITLE **Electronic Code of Federal Regulations** EDITION Special Edition of the Federal Register GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM document PUBLICATION INFORMATION PUBLICATION PLACE Washington, DC PUBLISHER Office of the Federal Register, National Archives and Records Administration and the **Government Printing Office OTHER CITATION DETAILS** 

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CFR is updated daily, the PUBLICATION DATE identified above refers to "e-CFR Data is current as of" date posted on the e-CFR website at the time the spatial definition was accessed online. ONLINE LINKAGE http://www.ecfr.gov

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA online SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT TIME PERIOD INFORMATION SINGLE DATE/TIME CALENDAR DATE 2009 SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE publication date SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION e-CFR SOURCE CONTRIBUTION Spatial definitions for Regulated Area boundaries. PROCESS STEP **PROCESS DESCRIPTION** [Get Definition Text] The current legal spatial definition for the Regulated Area was copied from the e-CFR website. PROCESS DATE 2013

#### PROCESS STEP

**PROCESS DESCRIPTION** 

[Features, No Template] The coordinates of the Regulated Area were transferred to a spreadsheet, converted to Decimal Degrees, plotted as a point shapefile in NAD83, and then projected to NAD83 Mercator Projection. To generate the Regulated Area boundary in ArcGIS, these points were connected in the order specified in the spatial definition. When the spatial definition specified that points were connected by following a straight line, rhumb lines were constructed. When multiple Regulated Areas are a part of a larger grouping of related Regulated Areas, these steps were repeated to generate a unique feature for each Regulated Area and the features were then combined into a single shapefile. The boundaries were densified with consecutive vertices spaced no more than 10 nautical miles apart, to preserve rhumb line paths in other coordinate systems. The file was projected back to the un-projected NAD83 coordinate system.

PROCESS DATE 2013

#### PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Add Attributes] The standardized attribute schema was applied to the shapefile, and the fields were defined.

PROCESS DATE 2013

#### PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Policy Review] The Regulated Area spatial definition text, shapefile geometry and attribute values were reviewed with policy staff to verify that the shapefile accurately depicted and described the intended boundaries. PROCESS DATE 2014

## PROCESS STEP

#### PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Check Geometry] The ESRI ArcGIS Check Geometry tool was run on the shapefile to identify any geometry problems. If problems were encountered, they were reviewed and corrected. PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP PROCESS DESCRIPTION [Metadata] A GARFO Regulated Area shapefile metadata template was developed using the EPA Metadata Editor v3.2. This template was applied and customized to reflect the specific characteristics of the given shapefile. The metadata was validated for FGDC CSDGM compliance. PROCESS DATE 2014

#### PROCESS STEP

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[Final Review] The shapefile was reviewed by members of the GARFO GIS Committee, policy experts from the GARFO Division responsible for the Regulated Area, and General Counsel, according to the GARFO GIS Data Distribution Policy. PROCESS DATE 2014

#### PROCESS STEP

**PROCESS DESCRIPTION** 

[Publication] The shapefile, with accompanying metadata, was uploaded for public download on the NOAA NMFS GARFO GIS website. PROCESS DATE 2014-09-25

### Spatial Reference ►

HORIZONTAL COORDINATE SYSTEM DEFINITION GEOGRAPHIC LATITUDE RESOLUTION 0.000001 LONGITUDE RESOLUTION 0.000001 GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATE UNITS Decimal degrees

GEODETIC MODEL HORIZONTAL DATUM NAME North American Datum of 1983 ELLIPSOID NAME Geodetic Reference System 1980 SEMI-MAJOR AXIS 6378137.000000 DENOMINATOR OF FLATTENING RATIO 298.257222

## Entities and Attributes

DETAILED DESCRIPTION ENTITY TYPE ENTITY TYPE LABEL Regulated Area ENTITY TYPE DEFINITION NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters ENTITY TYPE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL FID ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Internal feature number ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN System-generated internal feature number

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL Shape ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Feature geometry ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Coordinate geometry ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL GARFO\_ID ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION A unique identifier used to identify and track this feature; a new GARFO\_ID is generated for each version of a Regulated Area (i.e. whenever boundaries or attributes are changed, edited or updated) ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN System-generated number ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREANAME

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Official name of the Regulated Area, usually the area name as printed in the CFR ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL COMMNAME ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Most commonly used name. May be identical to AREANAME, an abbreviation of AREANAME, or a different name altogether. ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREAGROUP ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Specifies if the Regulated Area is part of a group of related areas ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL DESCRIBE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION A brief description of the purpose of the Regulated Area ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text description

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRTITLE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Title citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPT ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Part citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPTTXT ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Part citation header text ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSUB ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Subpart citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSUBTXT ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Subpart citation header text ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSXN ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Section citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text citation

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ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPARA ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Paragraph citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPARATXT ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION CFR Paragraph citation header text ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL FRCITE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Federal Register citation of original Regulated Area spatial definition, or last modification to the spatial definition, whichever is most recent. Refers to SPATIAL DEFINITION ONLY. Subsequent FR notices may have modified the requirements affecting waters within or outside this Regulated Area.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL FRDATE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

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ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Date

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL EFFECTDATE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Date Regulated Area officially became law, or most recent modification ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Date

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL SOURCE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

If Regulated Area is defined in the CFR, this is the citation for the Amendment/Framework/etc. that established the area. If the Regulated Area is not defined in the CFR, this is the alternative source citation establishing the Regulated Area.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text citation ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL RECURST ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes active ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Date

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL RECUREND ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes inactive ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Date

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL GISAUTHOR ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Name of the NOAA staff person who created the GIS feature ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Name

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL CREATED ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Creation date of the GIS feature ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Date

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREANOTES ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Miscellaneous notes regarding the Regulated Area or feature ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Free text description

#### OVERVIEW DESCRIPTION ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE OVERVIEW Entity Attributes provide reference information for the Regulated Areas represented. Attributes provide citations for the legal spatial definition and originating documents, and currentness information for each area.

ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE DETAIL CITATION

FILEDS\_Map.xlsx fully describes the Attribute Schema used for regulated area GIS data sets. To access this document, see the Contact Information.

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METADATA STANDARD NAME FGDC Content Standard for Digital Geospatial Metadata METADATA STANDARD VERSION FGDC-STD-001-1998