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With Second Straight Year of Relaxed Regulations, Summer Fluking in Montauk Again Sensational

Catch Limit of Five Fish per Person, 18" or Larger

For the second consecutive year, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation regulations for fluke (summer flounder) have been relaxed to allow recreational fishermen to catch more fish, making fishing in Montauk this summer even better.

As in 2014, the DEC is allowing fluke of at least 18" to be caught, down from the previous 19". And fishermen are permitted to take home five fish instead of four until the season ends on September 21; officials are eyeing cuts to the allowable limit in the future.

Montauk, which has been called one of world's ten best fishing spots by the International Business Times, is home to many charter and party boats operating out of Montauk Harbor. The captains and crews know where to go to find flounder, striped bass, porgies and bluefish, and will set you up with a baited rod and teach you anything you need to know to reel in a fish. They'll even skin and clean your fish for you. Bring the catch to a restaurant that will cook it for you.

When in Montauk, visit the Harbor Info Center in the Montauk Chamber of Commerce in the center of town. There are racks of pictures of businesses at the docks, a section for brochures, charter boat schedules, and restaurant menus. A big-screen television runs a streaming video of the good old fishing days, the dock area and marinas. Trophy fish and decorative fishing poles are mounted on the upper portion of the walls.

Make sure to check with Montauk's hotels and motels, many of which offer off-peak specials for fishing trips. For charter and party boats and accommodations visit the Montauk Chamber of Commerce website, www.montaukchamber.com

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