

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR parts 600 and 622 are proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 600--MAGNUSON-STEVENS ACT PROVISIONS

1. The authority citation for part 600 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 561 and 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

2. In § 600.725, in paragraph (v), in the table under heading "III. South Atlantic Fishery Management Council," under entry 7, revise entry 7.B to read as follows:

§ 600.725 General prohibitions.

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Fishery	Authorized gear types
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III. South Atlantic Fishery Management Council	
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7. South Atlantic Spiny Lobster Fishery (FMP)	
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B. Recreational Fishery.	B. Dip net, bully net,

Comment [SS1]: Removed both trap and pot from the list of allowable gears for SA recreational lobster. By definition in Part 600, pot is defined as a trap. Action 2, Preferred Alt 2

snare, hand harvest.

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PART 622--FISHERIES OF THE CARIBBEAN, GULF OF MEXICO, AND SOUTH ATLANTIC

3. The authority citation for part 622 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

4. In § 622.404, add paragraph (d) to read as follows:

§ 622.404 Prohibited gear and methods.

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(d) The possession of traps is prohibited onboard a vessel in the South Atlantic EEZ when spiny lobster subject to the recreational bag and possession limits specified in § 622.408 is also onboard the vessel. The recreational harvest of spiny lobster using a trap is prohibited in the South Atlantic EEZ.

Comment [SS2]: Action 2, Pref Alt 2.

5. Revise § 622.411, to read as follows:

§ 622.411 Annual catch limits (ACLs), annual catch targets (ACTs), and accountability measures (AMs).

For recreational and commercial spiny lobster landings combined, the ACL is 9.60 million lb (4.35 million kg), whole weight. The ACT is 8.64 million lb, (3.92 million kg) whole weight.

Comment [SS3]: Action 1.2, Pref Alt 2.