

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Marine Resources Commission
Building 96
380 Fenwick Road
Fort Monroe, VA 23651

Steven G. Bowman Commissioner

Matthew J. Strickler Secretary of Natural Resources

For Immediate Release June 3, 2020

Contact: Ellen Bolen, 757.788.9772 ellen.bolen@mrc.virginia.gov

Fish On! Free Fishing Days Established for June 5-7

Fort Monroe, VA – This weekend is a great time to go fishing! You may fish without a license again this year, during the first weekend in June. Take advantage of the free fishing days, June 5, 6 and 7, 2020, and enjoy the all that Virginia's waters have to offer.

During this weekend, no fishing license of any kind will be required for recreational rod and reel fishing. All fishing regulations including size, season, catch limits, and gear restrictions, will remain in effect.

"Free fishing days are a great time to experience the abundance of Virginia's waters from the mountains to the coast," said Virginia Marine Resources Commissioner Steven G. Bowman. "We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable time this weekend, and tight lines!"

Saltwater limits and regulations can be found on the Marine Resources Commission's website, https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/public/reports/swrecfishingrules.php. The 2020 Freshwater Fishing and Boating Regulations can be found at the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries website at: www.dgif.virginia.gov/fishing/regulations/.com.

"Free fishing days are always an excellent opportunity to get out and try fishing for the first time, or to introduce new people to fishing," said Ryan Brown, Executive Director of DGIF. "I would encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity and all that Virginia's outdoors have to offer."

Junior Anglers should check out our program here: https://mrc.virginia.gov/vswft/vsft10.shtm

Free Fishing Day promo video: https://youtu.be/MrazV6zPGLg