

Summary of historical and current commercial fishery regulations for alewife and blueback herring in New York (2013 regulation changes in **bold**).

Regulation	2013 to Present	Regulation link
Season	Mar 15 – Jun 15	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (a)</a>
Creel/ catch limits	None	
Commercial Gear (Marine permit)	Gill nets as commercial gear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 600 ft or less</li> <li>- 3.5 in stretch mesh or smaller</li> <li>- No fishing at night in HR above Bear Mt Bridge</li> <li>- <b>Drift gill nets only allowable gill nets above Bear Mt Bridge</b></li> <li>- Gill nets above Bear Mt Bridge must be tended at all times</li> </ul>	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (c)</a> <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (b)</a> <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (3)(i)</a> <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (7)</a> <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (2)(iv)</a> <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (5)</a>
	Seine as commercial gear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No size restrictions below Castleton/I90</li> </ul>	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (c)</a>
	Scoop/Dip/Scap net as commercial gear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>10' x 10' maximum</b></li> </ul>	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (c)</a>
	Fyke/hoop/trap nets as commercial gear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No size restrictions</li> </ul>	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (c)</a>
Commercial Gear (Bait license)	Cast Net as bait collection gear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 10 ft maximum diameter</li> </ul>	<i>To find the law <a href="#">click here</a>, on ENV, find Article 11, click on Title 13, click <b>ECL 11-1315</b></i>
Closed areas	No gill nets above I90 - Castleton Bridge	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (2)(ii)</a>
	No nets on Kingston Flats	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (2)(i)</a>
	<b>No nets in any tributary (including Mohawk River)</b>	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (2)(i)</a>
Escapement (no fishing days)	36 hr lift period for <b>all commercial gears</b> Friday 6AM – Saturday 6PM	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.3 (4)</a>
Marine Permit Fees (established 1911)	Gill net	\$0.05/foot
	Scap net <10 sq ft	\$1.00
	Seine	\$0.05/foot
	Trap nets	\$3 to \$10
	Fyke net	\$1 to \$2
Marine Permit Reporting	<b>Mandatory daily catch &amp; effort; Vessel Trip Reports (VTRs) due monthly</b>	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 36.1 (a)(1)</a>
Transport and sale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Commercially caught anadromous river herring must be sold and used in the Hudson River and tributaries to first impassable barrier and within the transport corridor</li> <li>- May also be sold or transferred to locations in the Marine District</li> <li>- Transport within DEC Reg. 3 requires a bait transport permit</li> <li>- Retail sale of live and frozen anadromous river herring requires <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Fish health certification on premises</li> <li>o Receipt to purchaser (valid for 10 days)</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Retail sale of dead packaged anadromous river herring requires <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Preservation other than freezing</li> <li>o Each package must be labeled with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Name of packager-processor</li> <li>▪ Name of fish species</li> <li>▪ Quantity of fish</li> <li>▪ Means of preservation</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">6 CRR-NY 35.3 (d)</a>  <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 35.3 (c)(1)</a>  <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 35.3 (c)(2)</a>  <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 35.3 (c)(3)(ii)</a> <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 35.3 (c)(3)(iii)(a)</a> <a href="#">6 CRR-NY 35.3 (c)(4)</a>