

RF9 42°08.35' 70°04.05'  
RF10 42°04.75' 70°16.95'  
RF11 42°00' 70°13.2'  
RF12 42°00' 70°24.1'  
RF13 42°07.85' 70°30.1'  
RF1 42°14.05' 70°08.8'

**RAISED FOOTROPE TRAWL  
WHITING FISHERY EXEMPTION  
AREA**

**(November 21 through December 31)**

*Point N. Lat. W. Long.*

RF1 42°14.05' 70°08.8'  
RF2 42°09.2' 69°47.8'  
RF3 41°54.85' 69°35.2'  
RF4 41°41.5' 69°32.85'  
RF5 41°39' 6°44.3'  
RF6 41°45.6' 69°51.8'  
R7F 41°52.3' 69°52.55'  
RF8 41°55.5' 69°53.45'  
RF9 42°08.35' 70°04.05'

RF1 42°14.05' 70°08.8'

(i) \* \* \*

(B) All nets must be no smaller than a minimum mesh size of 2.5-inch (6.35-cm) square or diamond mesh, subject to the restrictions as specified in paragraph (a)(14)(i)(D) of this section. An owner or operator of a vessel enrolled in the raised footrope whiting fishery may not fish for, possess on board, or land any species of fish other than whiting and offshore hake subject to the applicable possession limits as specified in § 648.86, except for the following allowable incidental species: Red hake; butterfish; dogfish; herring; mackerel; scup; and squid.

(b) \* \* \*

(3) *Exemptions*—(i) *Species exemptions*. Owners and operators of vessels subject to the minimum mesh

size restrictions specified in paragraphs (a)(4) and (b)(2) of this section, may fish for, harvest, possess, or land butterfish, dogfish (trawl only), herring, Atlantic mackerel, ocean pout, scup, shrimp, squid, summer flounder, silver hake and offshore hake, and weakfish with nets of a mesh size smaller than the minimum size specified in the GB and SNE Regulated Mesh Areas when fishing in the SNE Exemption Area defined in paragraph (b)(10) of this section, provided such vessels comply with requirements specified in paragraph (b)(3)(ii) of this section and with the mesh size and possession limit restrictions specified under § 648.86(d).

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