

Highly Migratory Species of Maryland

This is a summary of highly migratory species that anglers commonly catch in Maryland tidal waters. It does not include all regulated species. Complete information and updates for all regulated species are available at dnr.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/regulations/index.aspx



White Marlin
(*Kajikia albida*)



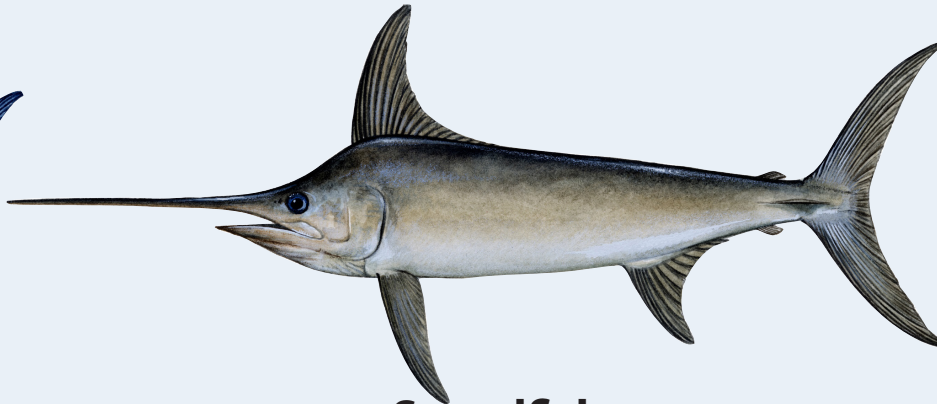
Roundscale Spearfish
(*Tetrapturus georgii*)



Blue Marlin
(*Makaira nigricans*)



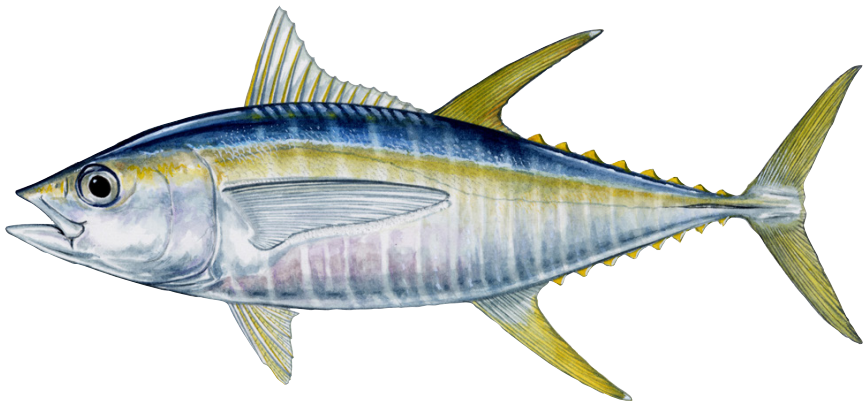
Atlantic Sailfish
(*Istiophorus platypterus*)



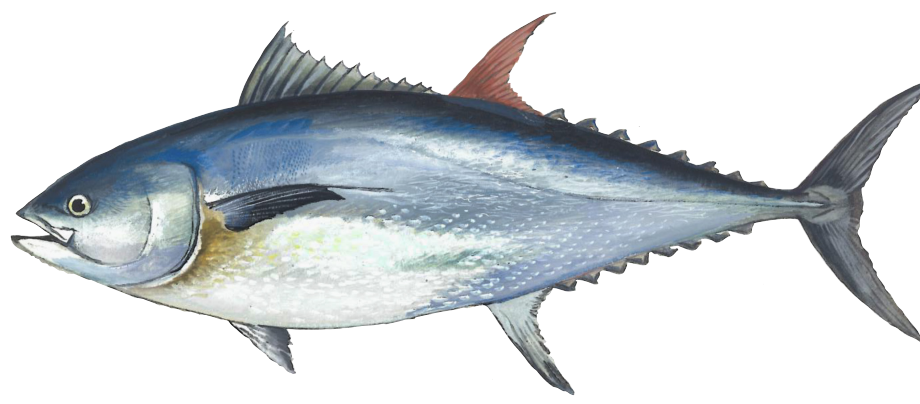
Swordfish
(*Xiphias gladius*)



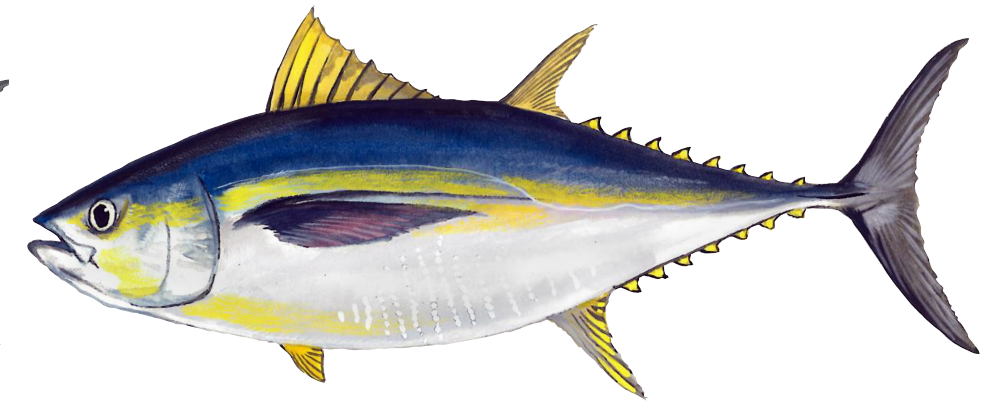
Dolphinfin (Mahi Mahi)
(*Coryphaena hippurus*)



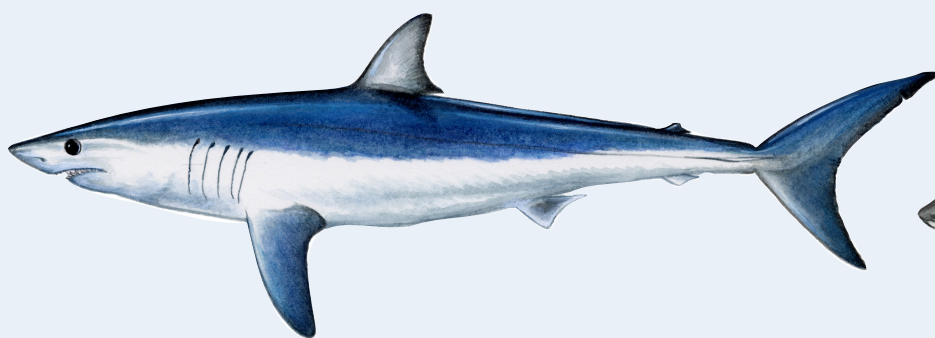
Yellowfin Tuna
(*Thunnus albacares*)



Bluefin Tuna
(*Thunnus thynnus*)



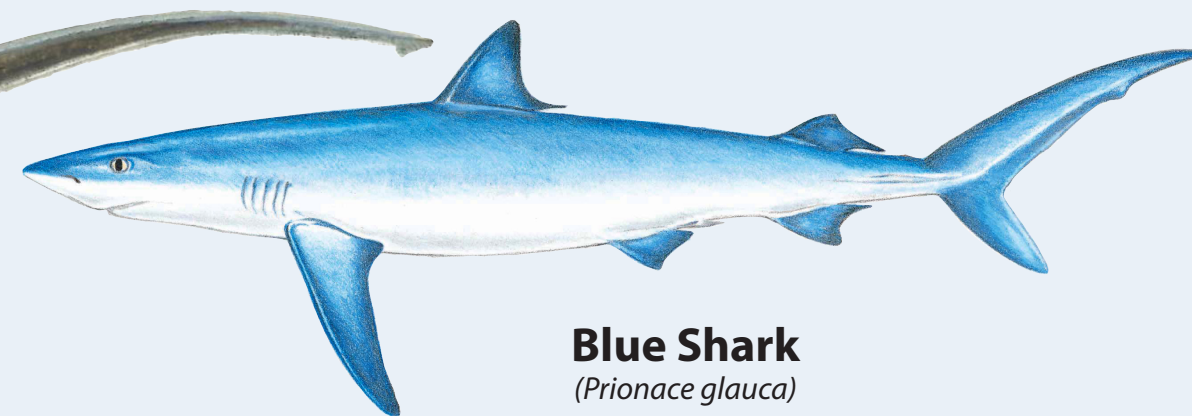
Bigeye Tuna
(*Thunnus obesus*)



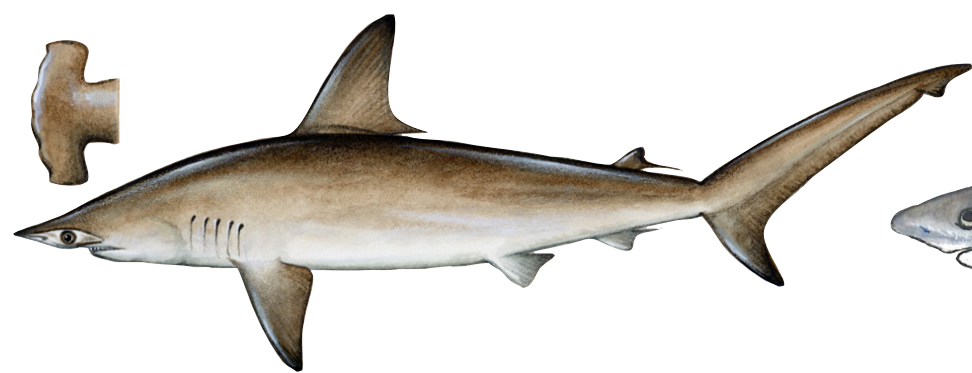
Shortfin Mako Shark
(*Isurus oxyrinchus*)



Common Thresher
(*Alopias vulpinus*)



Blue Shark
(*Prionace glauca*)



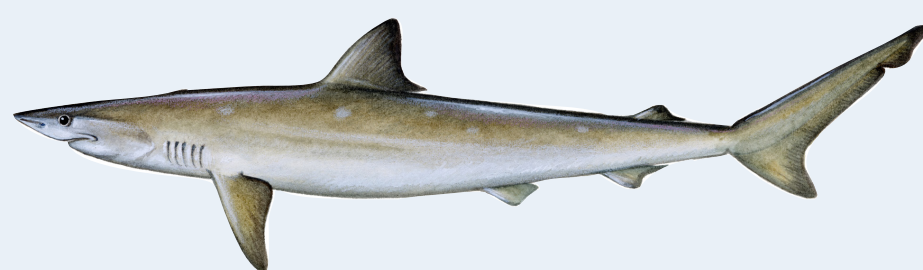
Scalloped Hammerhead
(*Sphyrna lewini*)



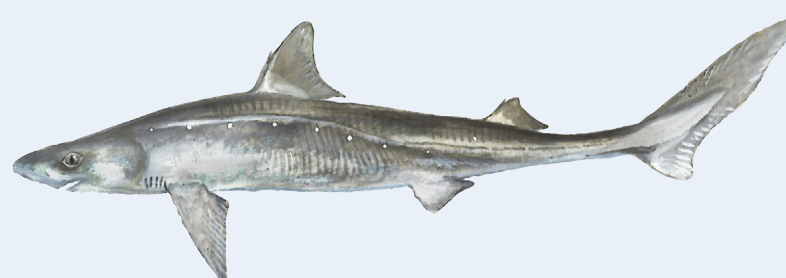
Tiger Shark
(*Galeocerdo cuvier*)



Blacktip Shark
(*Carcharhinus limbatus*)



Atlantic Sharpnose
(*Rhizoprionodon terraenovae*)



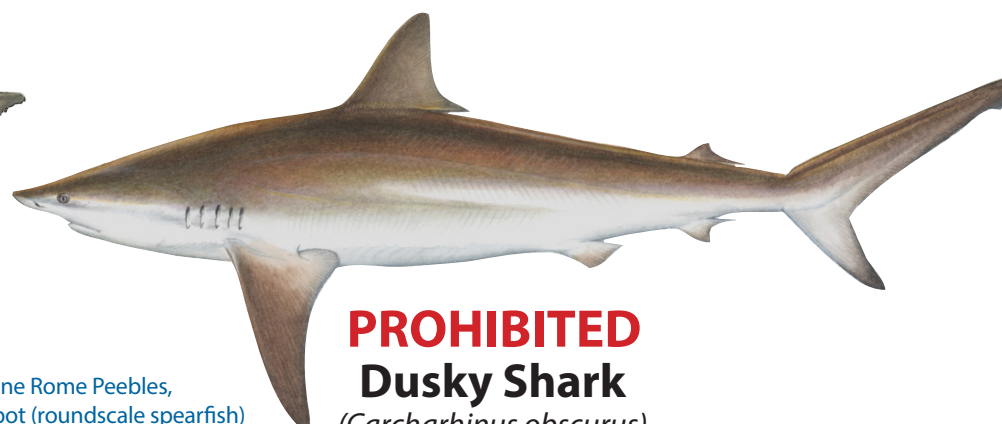
Spiny Dogfish
(*Squalus acanthias*)



Smooth Dogfish
(*Mustelus canis*)



PROHIBITED
Sand Tiger
(*Carcharias taurus*)



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Dusky Shark
(*Carcharhinus obscurus*)



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Sandbar Shark
(*Carcharhinus plumbeus*)

Illustrations by Duane Raver, Diane Rome Peebles, Victor Young (blue shark) and Karen Talbot (roundscale spearfish)

Anglers are responsible for completing a catch card when they return to port for each bluefin tuna, billfish, swordfish, or shark on board the vessel.

Complete information and downloadable catch cards are available at dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Pages/coastal/tagging.aspx