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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 29, 2012
TO: Enforcement Committee and Advisors
FROM: Lou Goodreau
SUBJECT: Gear Stowage regulations

Attached are the references to 648.23(b) in the federal regulations online. The section referred to, 648.23(b), is found in the Mackerel-Squid-Butterfish regulations, and defines "not available for immediate use".

Looking at the sections from the "648.23(b)" search, and eliminating the sections that describe amendments, yields the following:

- 223.206 Exceptions to prohibitions relating to sea turtles (extremely long; couldn't find it, yet)
- 648.13 Transfers at sea (i)(2)(x)
- 648.14 Prohibitions (12 references)
- 648.17 Exemptions for vessels fishing in NAFO Regulatory Area (b)(3)
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- **Mackerel-Squid-Butterfish**
- **648.23 Gear restrictions (b) "not available for immediate use"**
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- Scallop
- 648.51 Gear and crew restrictions (b)(5)(ii)(C)
- 648.58 Rotational closed areas (c) Transiting

- 648.60 Sea scallop access areas (a)(4) Area fished, and (a)(7) Transiting
- 648.61 EFH closed areas (b) Transiting
- 648.62 NGOM Management Program (b) TAC (2)
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- Multispecies
- 648.80 Regulated mesh areas...(27 references)
- 648.81 Closed areas and measures to protect EFH (7 references)
- 648.82 Effort control program...(b)(6)(iv) Declaration, and (j)(1)(ii)(A)
Declaration of time out of the gillnet fishery
- 648.85 Special management programs (6 references)
- 648.86 Possession restrictions (a)(3)(ii)Haddock incidental catch(A)(1),
(b)Cod(4)Exemption(ii), and (l) Ocean pout, windowpane flounder, SNE/MA winter
flounder, and Atlantic wolfish
- 648.88 Open access permit restrictions (a)(2)(iv) Declaration
- 648.89 Recreational and charter/party vessel restrictions (a) Recreational
gear restrictions
- Monkfish
- 648.91 Regulated mesh areas...(c)(2)Other gear restrictions(ii)
- 648.94 Possession and landing restrictions (e) Transiting
- 648.95 Offshore Fishery Program in the SFMA (f) Transiting
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- Summer flounder
- 648.108 Gear restrictions (e) Stowage of nets
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- Scup
- 648.124 Commercial season and area restrictions (c) Transiting
- 648.125 Gear restrictions (a)(1) Minimum mesh size, and (a)(5) Stowage of
nets
- Black sea bass
- 648.144 Gear restrictions (4) Stowage of nets
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- Herring
- 648.201 AMs and harvest controls (a)(2) and (b) and (c)
- 648.202 Season and area restrictions (a) Purse Seine/Fixed Gear Only Area