FOUND A TAGGED LOBSTER?

<u>WHAT TO REPORT</u>: date, location (loran is okay), tag # (between 0001-21000), whether the lobster had eggs or v-notch, and whether it was kept or released. Report length or send a photo with gauge to qualify for higher value raffles & help us collect growth data (see photo example below).

<u>HOW TO REPORT</u>: Call, text, email or Facebook messenger us. It's okay to report old recaps. # **774-251-9454**, heidi@offshorelobster.org. Congratulations to the 2017 - 2019 raffle winners. LAST RAFFLE: JANUARY 2, 2020 - \$4,500 IN REWARDS.

<u>PROJECT UPDATE:</u> The Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association, New Hampshire Fish and Game and Maine Department of Marine Resources are tagging lobsters in the Gulf of Maine and on Georges Bank in order to track migration and investigate growth. Over 17,000 lobsters tagged so far, with plans to tag 18,500 total. Approximately 1,500 recapture reports provided by fishermen to date.

The charts below show lobsters tagged (squares) in the Gulf of Maine and Georges Bank with recaptures (circles) of at least 50 miles away. On Georges Bank, there is regular movement between shoal and deep water, but also movement to other areas of the Gulf. In the Gulf of Maine, lobsters tagged in LMA 1 have moved both east and west, LMA 3 tagged animals have been recaptured 50-150+ miles away from downeast ME to southern MA as well as the canyons off Georges Bank.

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to report recaptures!

