

**Supplementary Table 3**

Sample sizes of geographic zone-regulatory period groupings for tiger shark (*Galeocerdo cuvier*) examined for this study and recorded in the U.S. Atlantic pelagic longline fishery in the period 1992–2008. An asterisk (\*) denotes a sample size of less than 100 individuals. The geographic zones are Caribbean (CAR), Florida east coast (FEC), Gulf of Mexico (GOM), Mid-Atlantic Bight (MAB), north central Atlantic (NCA), northeast coastal (NEC), South Atlantic Bight (SAB), Sargasso Sea (SAR).

Geographic zone	Before March 1993	March 1993– August 2004	After August 2004
CAR	96*	698	302
FEC	322	2958	1433
GOM	251	1618	510
MAB	70*	642	833
NCA	22*	65*	45*
NEC	71*	755	1429
SAB	106	2025	1526
SAR	21*	146	267