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PACIFIC COAST GROUND FISH FISHERY

Change to commercial lingcod trip limits north and south of 40°10' North Latitude (N. lat.), modification to non-trawl rockfish conservation area (RCA) between 40°10' N. lat. and 34°27' N. lat., and transfer of Pacific Ocean perch (POP) and darkblotched rockfish to the Mothership (MS) and Catcher/Processor (C/P) Coops

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announces changes to commercial fishery trip limits for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery off Washington, Oregon, and California, modifications to the non-trawl RCA off California, and a transfer of POP and darkblotched rockfish from the off-the-top deductions, or buffer, from the Annual Catch Limit (ACL) to the at-sea Pacific whiting fisheries.

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) recommended changes described in this public notice are **effective July 3, 2017** and will publish in the *Federal Register* on July 7, 2017.

Commercial Fishery

Limited Entry (LE) and OA fixed gear trip limits for lingcod north and south of 40°10' N. lat.

To increase harvest opportunities for LE and OA fixed gear sectors north and south of 40°10' N. lat., the Council considered increases to lingcod trip limits for the

remainder of 2017. The Council recommended and NMFS is implementing an increase to all lingcod trip limits for both LE and OA north and south of 40°10' N. lat. for all periods with the exception of the OA trip limit south of 40°10' N. lat. during the month of November.

The trip limits for lingcod in the LE fixed gear fishery north of 40°10' N. lat. are increased to "1,400 lb (635 kg) bimonthly" during periods 4 through 5; "700 lb (318 kg) bimonthly" during the month of November; and "400 lb (181 kg) bimonthly" during the month of December. The trip limits for lingcod in the LE fixed gear fishery south of 40°10' N. lat. are increased to "1,200 lb (544 kg) bimonthly" during periods 4 through 5; "600 lb (272 kg) per month" during the month of November; and 300 lb (136 kg) bimonthly" during the month of December.

The trip limits for lingcod in the OA fixed gear fishery north of 40°10' N. lat. are increased to "700 lb (318 kg) per month" during periods 4 through 5 and during the month of November; and "200 lb (91 kg) per month" during the month of December. The trip limits for lingcod in the OA fixed gear fishery south of 40°10' N. lat. are increased "600

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lb (272 kg) per month” during periods 3 through 5; and are increased to “150 lb (68 kg) per month” during the month of December.

For the OA fixed gear fishery south of 40°10' N. lat., the Council recommended a “200 lb (91 kg) per month” trip limit for lingcod during the month of November, which is lower than the current lingcod trip limit for November in the OA fixed gear fishery south of 40°10' N. lat. is “400 lb (181 kg) per month.” The Council recommended trip limit was based on an error in the Groundfish Management Team report and is inconsistent with the report’s analysis of the estimated impacts, which analyzed a “600 lb per month” trip limit for lingcod during the month of November.

Therefore, NMFS is disapproving the lower November trip limit for lingcod (200 lb (91 kg) per month) in the OA fixed gear fishery south of 40°10' N. lat. for the month of November. The trip limit for that month will remain as is at “400 lb (181 kg) per month.”

Modifications to the non-trawl rockfish conservation area (RCA) between 40°10' N. lat. and 34°27' N. lat.

Modifying the shoreward boundary of the non-trawl RCA in this area would provide harvest opportunities for many important target stocks, specifically deeper nearshore rockfish (blue, brown, copper, and olive rockfishes) and shelf rockfish species (chilipepper, greenblotched, Mexican, and vermilion rockfishes). Therefore, based on the new information available regarding the reduced discard mortality of yelloweye rockfish, the Council recommended and NMFS is modifying the shoreward boundary of the non-trawl RCA between 40°10' N lat. and 34°27' N. lat., so that the boundary lines approximating the 40 fm and 125 fm depth

contours will define the non-trawl RCA in this area.

MS Coop Program and C/P Coop Program

Klamath River fall Chinook is estimated to have record low abundance this year. To continue to facilitate movement of the at-sea fleet north to avoid catch of Klamath River fall Chinook and mitigate increased encounters of rockfish, 25 mt of POP and 50 mt of darkblotched rockfish that was initially deducted from the ACL as a “buffer” for unforeseen catch events, and likely to go unharvested in 2017, is transferred to the MS and C/P Coops, effective July 3, 2017.

- 25 mt of POP is distributed, with 12.5 mt to each sector.
 - The amount of POP available to the MS Coop increased from 12.5 mt to 25 mt.
 - The amount of POP available to the C/P Coop increased from 16.2 mt to 28.7 mt.
- 50 mt of darkblotched rockfish, with 25 mt to each sector
 - The amount of darkblotched rockfish to the MS Coop increased from 11.6 mt to 36.6 mt.
 - The amount of darkblotched rockfish to the C/P Coop increased from 16.4 mt to 41.4 mt.

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Trip limit tables, effective July 3, 2017 are included at the end of this public notice.

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Any discrepancies between this public notice and the *Federal Register* will be resolved in favor of the *Federal Register*.

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Table 2 (North) to Part 660, Subpart E -- Non-Trawl Rockfish Conservation Areas and Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear North of 40°10' N. lat.

Other limits and requirements apply -- Read §§660.10 through 660.399 before using this table		06222017					
		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{1/}:							
1	North of 46°16' N. lat.	shoreline - 100 fm line ^{1/}					
2	46°16' N. lat. - 42°00' N. lat.	30 fm line ^{1/} - 100 fm line ^{1/}					
3	42°00' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	30 fm line ^{1/} - 100 fm line ^{1/}					
<p>See §§660.60 and 660.230 for additional gear, trip limit and conservation area requirements and restrictions. See §§660.70-660.74 and §§660.76-660.79 for conservation area descriptions and coordinates (including RCAs, YRCAs, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).</p>							
<p>State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than Federal trip limits or seasons, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.</p>							
4	Minor Slope Rockfish^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish	4,000 lb/ 2 months					
5	Pacific ocean perch	1,800 lb/ 2 months					
6	Sablefish	1,125 lb/week, not to exceed 3,375 lb/ 2 months	1,100 lb/week, not to exceed 3,300 lb/ 2 months				
7	Longspine thornyhead	10,000 lb/ 2 months					
8	Shortspine thornyhead	2,000 lb/ 2 months			2,500 lb/ 2 months		
9							
10	Dover sole, arrowtooth flounder, petrale sole, English sole, starry flounder, Other Flatfish^{3/}	5,000 lb/ month					
11		South of 42° N. lat., when fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 0.44 in (11 mm) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line, are not subject to the RCAs.					
12							
13							
14							
15	Whiting	10,000 lb/ trip					
16	Minor Shelf Rockfish^{2/}, Shortbelly, & Widow rockfish	200 lb/ month					
17	Yellowtail rockfish	1,000 lb/ month					
18	Canary rockfish	300 lb/ 2 months					
19	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED					
20	Minor Nearshore Rockfish & Black rockfish						
21	North of 42°00' N. lat.	5,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish or blue/dacon rockfish ^{4/}					
22	42°00' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	8,500 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish	7,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish				
23	Lingcod^{5/}	200 lb/2 months	1,200 lb/ 2 months	1,400 lb/ bimonthly	700 lb/ month	400 lb/ month	
24	Pacific cod	1,000 lb/ 2 months					
25	Spiny dogfish	200,000 lb/ 2 months	150,000 lb/ 2 months	100,000 lb/ 2 months			
26	Longnose skate	Unlimited					
27	Other Fish^{6/} & Cabezon in Oregon and California	Unlimited					

TABLE 2 (North)

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1/ The Rockfish Conservation Area is an area closed to fishing by particular gear types, bounded by lines specifically defined by latitude and longitude coordinates set out at §§ 660.71-660.74. This RCA is not defined by depth contours (with the exception of the 20-fm depth contour boundary south of 42° N. lat.), and the boundary lines that define the RCA may close areas that are deeper or shallower than the depth contour. Vessels that are subject to RCA restrictions may not fish in the RCA, or operate in the RCA for any purpose other than transiting.
2/ Bocaccio, chilipepper and cowcod are included in the trip limits for Minor Shelf Rockfish and splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for Minor Slope Rockfish.
3/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.
4/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09.50' N. lat.), and between Destruction Is. (47°40' N. lat.) and Leadbetter Pnt. (46°38.17' N. lat.), there is an additional limit of 100 lb or 30 percent by weight of all fish on board, whichever is greater, per vessel, per fishing trip.
5/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 22 inches (56 cm) total length North of 42° N. lat. and 24 inches (61 cm) total length South of 42° N. lat.
6/ "Other Fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include kelp greenling, leopard shark, and cabezon in Washington.
To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

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Table 2 (South) to Part 660, Subpart E -- Non-Trawl Rockfish Conservation Areas and Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear South of 40° 10' N. lat.

		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC	
Other limits and requirements apply -- Read §§660.10 through 660.399 before using this table								06202019
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{1/}:								
1	40° 10' N. lat. - 34° 27' N. lat.	40 fm line ^{1/} - 125 fm line ^{1/}						
2	South of 34° 27' N. lat.	75 fm line ^{1/} - 150 fm line ^{1/} (also applies around islands)						
See §§660.60 and 660.230 for additional gear, trip limit and conservation area requirements and restrictions. See §§660.70-660.74 and §§660.76-660.79 for conservation area descriptions and coordinates (including RCAs, YRCAs, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).								
State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than Federal trip limits or seasons, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.								
3	Minor Slope rockfish^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish	40,000 lb/ 2 months, of which no more than 1,375 lb may be blackgill rockfish			40,000 lb/ 2 months, of which no more than 1,600 lb may be blackgill rockfish			
4	Splitnose rockfish	40,000 lb/ 2 months						
5	Sablefish							
6	40° 10' N. lat. - 36° 00' N. lat.	1,125 lb/week, not to exceed 3,375 lb/ 2 months	1,100 lb/week, not to exceed 3,300 lb/ 2 months					
7	South of 36° 00' N. lat.	2,000 lb/ week						
8	Longspine thornyhead	10,000 lb/ 2 months						
9	Shortspine thornyhead							
10	40° 10' N. lat. - 34° 27' N. lat.	2,000 lb/ 2 months			2,500 lb/ 2 months			
11	South of 34° 27' N. lat.	3,000 lb/ 2 months						
12								
13	Dover sole, arrowtooth flounder, petrale sole, English sole, starry flounder, Other Flatfish^{3/}	5,000 lb/ month						
14		South of 42° N. lat., when fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 0.44 in (11 mm) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line, are not subject to the RCAs.						
15								
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17								
18	Whiting	10,000 lb/ trip						
19	Minor Shelf Rockfish^{2/}, Shortbelly rockfish, Widow rockfish (including Chilipepper between 40° 10' - 34° 27' N. lat.)							
20	40° 10' N. lat. - 34° 27' N. lat.	Minor shelf rockfish, shortbelly, widow rockfish, & chilipepper: 2,500 lb/ 2 months, of which no more than 500 lb may be any species other than chilipepper.						
21	South of 34° 27' N. lat.	4,000 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	4,000 lb/ 2 months				
22	Chilipepper							
23	40° 10' N. lat. - 34° 27' N. lat.	Chilipepper included under minor shelf rockfish, shortbelly and widow rockfish limits - - See above						
24	South of 34° 27' N. lat.	2,000 lb/ 2 months, this opportunity only available seaward of the non-trawl RCA						
25	Canary rockfish	300 lb/ 2 months						
26	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED						
27	Cowcod	CLOSED						
28	Bronzespotted rockfish	CLOSED						
29	Bocaccio							
30	40° 10' N. lat. - 34° 27' N. lat.	1,000 lb/ 2 months						
31	South of 34° 27' N. lat.	1,500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	1,500 lb/ 2 months				
32	Minor Nearshore Rockfish & Black rockfish							
33	Shallow nearshore	1,200 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	1,200 lb/ 2 months				
34	Deeper nearshore	1,000 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	1,000 lb/ 2 months				
35	California Scorpionfish	1,500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	1,500 lb/ 2 months				
36	Lingcod^{4/}	200 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	800 lb/ 2 months	1,200 lb/ bimonthly	600 lb/ month	300 lb/ month	
37	Pacific cod	1,000 lb/ 2 months						
38	Spiny dogfish	200,000 lb/ 2 months		150,000 lb/ 2 months	100,000 lb/ 2 months			
39	Longnose skate	Unlimited						
40	Other Fish^{5/} & Cabezon	Unlimited						

TABLE 2 (South)

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1/ The Rockfish Conservation Area is an area closed to fishing by particular gear types, bounded by lines specifically defined by latitude and longitude coordinates set out at §§ 660.71-660.74. This RCA is not defined by depth contours (with the exception of the 20-fm depth contour boundary south of 42° N. lat.), and the boundary lines that define the RCA may close areas that are deeper or shallower than the depth contour. Vessels that are subject to RCA restrictions may not fish in the RCA, or operate in the RCA for any purpose other than transiting.
2/ POP is included in the trip limits for Minor Slope Rockfish. Blackgill rockfish have a species specific trip sub-limit within the Minor Slope Rockfish cumulative limit. Yellowtail rockfish are included in the trip limits for Minor Shelf Rockfish. Bronzespotted rockfish have a species specific trip limit.
3/ "Other Flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.
4/ The commercial minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length South of 42° N. lat.
5/ "Other Fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include kelp greenling, leopard shark, and cabezon in Washington.
To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

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Table 3 (North) to Part 660, Subpart F -- Non-Trawl Rockfish Conservation Areas and Trip Limits for Open Access Gears North of 40°10' N. lat.

		Other limits and requirements apply -- Read §§660.10 through 660.399 before using this table						06202019	
		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC	TABLE 3 (North)	
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{1/}:									
1	North of 46°16' N. lat.						shoreline - 100 fm line ^{1/}		
2	46°16' N. lat. - 42°00' N. lat.						30 fm line ^{1/} - 100 fm line ^{1/}		
3	42°00' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.						30 fm line ^{1/} - 100 fm line ^{1/}		
See §§660.60, 660.330 and 660.333 for additional gear, trip limit and conservation area requirements and restrictions. See §§660.70-660.74 and §§660.76-660.79 for conservation area descriptions and coordinates (including RCAs, YRCAs, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).									
State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than Federal trip limits or seasons, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.									
4	Minor Slope Rockfish^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish	Per trip, no more than 25% of weight of the sablefish landed							
5	Pacific ocean perch	100 lb/ month							
6	Sablefish	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,000 lb, not to exceed 2,000 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 1,800 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,000 lb, not to exceed 2,000 lb/ 2 months					
7	Shortpine thornyheads and longpine thornyheads	CLOSED							
8	Dover sole, arrowtooth flounder, petrale sole, English sole, starry flounder, Other Flatfish^{3/}	3,000 lb/ month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs.							
9		South of 42° N. lat., when fishing for "Other Flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 0.44 in (11 mm) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line are not subject to the RCAs.							
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14	Whiting	300 lb/ month							
15	Minor Shelf Rockfish^{2/}, Shortbelly rockfish, & Widow rockfish	200 lb/ month							
16	Yellowtail rockfish	500 lb/ month							
17	Canary rockfish	150 lb/ 2 months							
18	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED							
19 Minor Nearshore Rockfish & Black rockfish									
20	North of 42°00' N. lat.	5,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish							
21	42°00' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	8,500 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish	7,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish						
22	Lingcod^{5/}	100 lb/ month	600 lb/ month	700 lb/ month				200 lb/ month	
23	Pacific cod	1,000 lb/ 2 months							
24	Spiny dogfish	200,000 lb/ 2 months	150,000 lb/ 2 months	100,000 lb/ 2 months					
25	Longnose skate	Unlimited							
26	Other Fish^{6/} & Cabezon in Oregon and California	Unlimited							
27	SALMON TROLL (subject to RCAs when retaining all species of groundfish, except for yellowtail rockfish and lingcod, as described below)								
28	North	Salmon trollers may retain and land up to 1 lb of yellowtail rockfish for every 2 lbs of salmon landed, with a cumulative limit of 200 lb/month, both within and outside of the RCA. This limit is within the 200 lb per month combined limit for minor shelf rockfish, widow rockfish and yellowtail rockfish, and not in addition to that limit. Salmon trollers may retain and land up to 1 lingcod per 15 Chinook per trip, plus 1 lingcod per trip, up to a trip limit of 10 lingcod, on a trip where any fishing occurs within the RCA. This limit only applies during times when lingcod retention is allowed, and is not "CLOSED." This limit is within the per month limit for lingcod described in the table above, and not in addition to that limit. All groundfish species are subject to the open access limits, seasons, size limits and RCA restrictions listed in the table above, unless otherwise stated here.							

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<i>Table 3 (North). Continued</i>	
29	PINK SHRIMP NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL (not subject to RCAs)
30	<p>North</p> <p>Effective April 1 - October 31: Groundfish: 500 lb/day, multiplied by the number of days of the trip, not to exceed 1,500 lb/trip. The following sublimits also apply and are counted toward the overall 500 lb/day and 1,500 lb/trip groundfish limits: lingcod 300 lb/month (minimum 24 inch size limit); sablefish 2,000 lb/month; canary, thornyheads and yelloweye rockfish are PROHIBITED. All other groundfish species taken are managed under the overall 500 lb/day and 1,500 lb/trip groundfish limits. Landings of these species count toward the per day and per trip groundfish limits and do not have species-specific limits. The amount of groundfish landed may not exceed the amount of pink shrimp landed.</p>
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<p>2/ Bocaccio, chilipepper and cowcod rockfishes are included in the trip limits for Minor Shelf Rockfish. Splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for Minor Slope Rockfish.</p>	
<p>3/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.</p>	
<p>4/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09.50' N. lat.), and between Destruction Is. (47°40' N. lat.) and Leadbetter Pnt. (46°38.17' N. lat.), there is an additional limit of 100 lbs or 30 percent by weight of all fish on board, whichever is greater, per vessel, per fishing trip.</p>	
<p>5/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 22 inches (56 cm) total length North of 42° N. lat. and 24 inches (61 cm) total length South of 42° N. lat.</p>	
<p>6/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include kelp greenling, leopard shark, and cabezon in Washington.</p>	
<p>To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.</p>	

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State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than Federal trip limits or seasons, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.									
3	Minor Slope Rockfish^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish	10,000 lb/ 2 months, of which no more than 475 lb may be blackgill rockfish			10,000 lb/ 2 months, of which no more than 550 lb may be blackgill rockfish				
4	Splitnose rockfish	200 lb/ month							
5	Sablefish								
6	40°10' N. lat. - 36°00' N. lat.	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,000 lb, not to exceed 2,000 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 1,800 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,000 lb, not to exceed 2,000 lb/ 2 months					
7	South of 36°00' N. lat.	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,600 lb, not to exceed 3,200 lb/ 2 months							
8	Shortpine thornyheads and longspine thornyheads								
9	40°10' N. lat. - 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED							
10	South of 34°27' N. lat.	50 lb/ day, no more than 1,000 lb/ 2 months							
11	Dover sole, arrowtooth flounder, petrale sole, English sole, starry flounder, Other Flatfish^{3/}	3,000 lb/ month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs.							
12		South of 42° N. lat., when fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 0.44 in (11 mm) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line are not subject to the RCAs.							
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15	17	Whiting	300 lb/ month						
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19	40°10' N. lat. - 34°27' N. lat.	400 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	400 lb/ 2 months					
20	South of 34°27' N. lat.	1,500 lb/ 2 months		1,500 lb/ 2 months					
21	Canary rockfish	150 lb/ 2 months							
22	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED							
23	Cowcod	CLOSED							
24	Bronzespotted rockfish	CLOSED							
25	Bocaccio	500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	500 lb/ 2 months					
26	Minor Nearshore Rockfish & Black rockfish								
27	Shallow nearshore	1,200 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	1,200 lb/ 2 months					
28	Deeper nearshore	1,000 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	1,000 lb/ 2 months					
29	California scorpionfish	1,500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	1,500 lb/ 2 months					
30	Lingcod^{4/}	100 lb/ month	CLOSED	400 lb/ month	600 lb/ month		400 lb/ month	150 lb/ month	
31	Pacific cod	1,000 lb/ 2 months							
32	Spiny dogfish	200,000 lb/ 2 months		150,000 lb/ 2 months	100,000 lb/ 2 months				
33	Longnose skate	Unlimited							
34	Other Fish^{5/} & Cabezon	Unlimited							

TABLE 3 (South)

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Table 3 (South). Continued		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
35	RIDGEBACK PRAWN AND, SOUTH OF 38° 57.50' N. LAT., CA HALIBUT AND SEA CUCUMBER NON-GROUND FISH TRAWL						
36	NON-GROUND FISH TRAWL Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA) for CA Halibut, Sea Cucumber & Ridgeback Prawn:						
37	40° 10' N. lat. - 38° 00' N. lat.	100 fm line ^{1/} - 200 fm line ^{1/}	100 fm line ^{1/} - 150 fm line ^{1/}				100 fm line ^{1/} - 200 fm line ^{1/}
38	38° 00' N. lat. - 34° 27' N. lat.	100 fm line ^{1/} - 150 fm line ^{1/}					
37	South of 34° 27' N. lat.	100 fm line ^{1/} - 150 fm line ^{1/} along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm line ^{1/} around islands					
39		<p>Groundfish: 300 lb/trip. Species-specific limits described in the table above also apply and are counted toward the 300 lb groundfish per trip limit. The amount of groundfish landed may not exceed the amount of the target species landed, except that the amount of spiny dogfish landed may exceed the amount of target species landed. Spiny dogfish are limited by the 300 lb/trip overall groundfish limit. The daily trip limits for sablefish coastwide and thornyheads south of Pt. Conception and the overall groundfish "per trip" limit may not be multiplied by the number of days of the trip. Vessels participating in the California halibut fishery south of 38°57.50' N. lat. are allowed to (1) land up to 100 lb/day of groundfish without the ratio requirement, provided that at least one California halibut is landed and (2) land up to 3,000 lb/month of flatfish, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs, sand sole, starry flounder, rock sole, curfin sole, or California scorpionfish (California scorpionfish is also subject to the trip limits and closures in line 31).</p>					
40	PINK SHRIMP NON-GROUND FISH TRAWL GEAR (not subject to RCAs)						
41	South	<p>Effective April 1 - October 31: Groundfish: 500 lb/day, multiplied by the number of days of the trip, not to exceed 1,500 lb/trip. The following sublimits also apply and are counted toward the overall 500 lb/day and 1,500 lb/trip groundfish limits: lingcod 300 lb/ month (minimum 24 inch size limit); sablefish 2,000 lb/ month; canary rockfish, thornyheads and yelloweye rockfish are PROHIBITED. All other groundfish species taken are managed under the overall 500 lb/day and 1,500 lb/trip groundfish limits. Landings of all groundfish species count toward the per day, per trip or other species-specific sublimits described here and the species-specific limits described in the table above do not apply. The amount of groundfish landed may not exceed the amount of pink shrimp landed.</p>					
<p>1/ The Rockfish Conservation Area is an area closed to fishing by particular gear types, bounded by lines specifically defined by latitude and longitude coordinates set out at §§ 660.71-660.74. This RCA is not defined by depth contours (with the exception of the 20-fm depth contour boundary south of 42° N. lat.), and the boundary lines that define the RCA may close areas that are deeper or shallower than the depth contour. Vessels that are subject to RCA restrictions may not fish in the RCA, or operate in the RCA for any purpose other than transiting.</p> <p>2/ POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish. Blackgill rockfish have a species specific trip sub-limit within the minor slope rockfish cumulative limits. Yellowtail rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish. Bronzespotted rockfish have a species specific trip limit.</p> <p>3/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.</p> <p>4/ The commercial minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length South of 42° N. lat.</p> <p>5/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and includes kelp greenling, leopard shark, and cabezon in Washington.</p> <p>To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.</p>							

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