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PACIFIC COAST GROUND FISH FISHERY

Interim Harvest Specifications and Trip Limit Tables for All Commercial Fisheries and Trawl Rationalization Program Implementation Measures

*Fishing in the limited
entry trawl fishery will
be prohibited*

*beginning January 1,
2011, until the National Marine Fisheries Service
(NMFS) completes all final steps necessary to
implement the trawl rationalization program. As
specified in regulations at 50 CFR 660.112(b), it is
prohibited to fish in the Shorebased IFQ Program
with a vessel that does not have a valid vessel
account.*

NMFS anticipates that initial administrative determination (IAD) letters for applications for the trawl rationalization program will be mailed by the end of December 2010 and received by applicants shortly after January 1, 2011. The IAD letters will include QS percentages for 2011 for qualified applicants. The user ID and password for access to QS and/or vessel accounts will be mailed through a separate notice, which should be received early in January 2011. In addition, NMFS will establish vessel accounts and notify participants when accounting systems are operational. NMFS will send a separate public notice when fishing under the

**What to expect in the limited entry
trawl fishery on January 1, 2011.**

Shorebased IFQ Program may begin, which is expected to be in early January 2011.

NMFS has been working diligently to complete remaining aspects of the trawl rationalization program for implementation on January 1, 2011. However, additional work remains to be finalized and, as discussed at the November 2010 Pacific Fishery Management Council meeting and consistent with Council guidance, this brief delay is necessary to ensure completion of all aspects of implementation.

(Note: The at-sea whiting fishery (mothership and catcher/processor sectors) seasons do not start until May 15, 2011, and are not affected by this delay.)

Any updates, including interim 2011 allocations for the trawl Shorebased IFQ Program, will be posted on the NMFS Trawl Program website at:
<http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/Groundfish-Halibut/Groundfish-Fishery-Management/Trawl-Program/index.cfm>.

NMFS will not have the final 2011-2012 groundfish fishery harvest specifications and management measures in place until April 2011. Therefore, most of the specifications and management measures that were in place for 2010 will remain in effect for the start of the 2011 fishery, unless modified.

Due to the delay in 2011-2012 harvest specifications and management measures, and in preparation for implementation of the trawl rationalization program that goes into effect in January 2011, NMFS is taking an emergency interim action. This action is necessary to prevent over-issuing QP in the rationalized trawl fishery and to keep harvest early in 2011 low enough that, once the final 2011 harvest specifications and management measures are implemented later in 2011, drastic restrictions to management measures will not be necessary. In summary, the following changes to commercial management measures will file with the Office of the Federal Register on December 29, 2010, will publish in the Federal Register on December 30, 2010, and are **effective at 0001 hours (local time)**

January 1, 2011:

1. Implementation of an interim reduction to the 2010 harvest level for sablefish north of 36° N. lat.
2. Issuance of QP for individual fishing quota (IFQ) species.
3. Changes to the Pacific halibut trawl bycatch (IBQ) calculations for 2011.
4. Adjustment of the trawl RCA and establishment of landing allowances for non-IFQ species and Pacific whiting for the start of the 2011 groundfish fishery. The RCA boundaries and landing limits will replace the previously used trip limit tables for the limited entry trawl fishery.

See below for more information on these changes to harvest specifications for sablefish, issuance of QP, and changes to fishery management measures.

**Sablefish Harvest Specifications
North of 36° N. lat.**

An interim reduction to the 2010 harvest level for sablefish north of 36° N. lat., from 6,471 mt to 5,515 mt, will be effective January 1, 2011. As a result in the delay of the final 2011 specifications, this

interim measure is needed to prevent conservation concerns with issuance of trawl fishery QP. This interim measure is also intended to prevent conservation concerns with calculating the 2011 primary sablefish fishery tier limits, and for taking routine inseason actions to control catch for early 2011. Those two actions, if necessary, may be taken in a separate rulemaking and announced in a future public notice. Changes to the harvest level implemented in this emergency rule are based on the best available science in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Act. Details on the proposed 2011-2012 harvest levels are covered in the November 3, 2010 proposed rule (75 FR 67810). For all other species, except sablefish north of 36° N. lat., the harvest levels in place at the end of 2010 will remain in place for the start of the 2011 fishing year.

**Limited Entry Trawl Rationalization
Management Measures**

For complete regulations governing the Limited Entry Trawl Fisheries, please see 50 CFR Part 660, Subparts C and D. Specific details regarding the contents of this public notice, including the interim 2011 allocations for the trawl Shorebased IFQ Program, can be found on the NMFS Trawl Program website at:

<http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/Groundfish-Halibut/Groundfish-Fishery-Management/Trawl-Program/index.cfm>.

Quota Pounds for Individual Fishing Quota Species

For all IFQ species, issuance of QP for the beginning of 2011 will be based on the lowest harvest level from either 2010 or those proposed for 2011. The shorebased trawl allocation for IFQ species, which will be used to calculate QP, will be sent with the IAD letters and will be available on the Trawl Program website listed above beginning Wednesday, December 29, 2010.

NMFS may revise these interim rule allocations of QP for IFQ species, other than Pacific halibut, once final 2011 harvest specifications are put in place later in 2011. Also, NMFS will make adjustments in quota share (QS) accounts, as appropriate. This means that if the final 2011 harvest specifications

are greater than those used for the issuance of QPs in this interim rule, NMFS will issue additional QPs later in 2011.

Halibut IBQ Calculations

A temporary revision to the calculation method used to allocate the 2011 halibut IBQ for the trawl fishery was implemented in response to a retrospective report on halibut bycatch in the groundfish fishery, which was published in October 2010. The calculation is revised to account for the conversion to round weight and to include a sublegal allocation ($130,000 \div 0.75 \div 0.62$). The result is reduced by 10 mt (22,046 pounds) for the set aside for at-sea Pacific whiting fishery bycatch and for catch in the Shorebased IFQ Program south of 40°10' N. lat.

The Shorebased IFQ Program will be allocated 257,524 pounds of Pacific halibut north of 40°10' N. lat.

RCAs and Landing Allowances

Trip limits for IFQ species will no longer be in effect due to the use of QP for these IFQ species in the rationalized trawl fishery. The attached 2011 tables include non-IFQ species and Pacific whiting landing allowances, and the boundaries of the limited entry trawl Rockfish Conservation Areas. See Table 1 (North) and Table 1 (South).

Visit the NMFS Northwest Region website for current groundfish management regulations, VMS information, and RCA boundary coordinates.

<http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/Groundfish-Halibut/index.cfm>

Groundfish E-mail Group

Subscribe to “**wcgroundfish**” by visiting the following website: <http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/Groundfish-Halibut/Groundfish-Fishery-Management/Public-Notices/Index.cfm> and clicking “sign up”

**Tables, effective January 1, 2011,
are included at the end of this public notice,
including tables for the rationalized trawl fishery
with trawl RCA boundaries and landing allowances.**

For more information contact: NMFS Northwest Region at 206-526-6140 or visit our website at <http://www.nwr.noaa.gov>, click on “Groundfish & Halibut;”; Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife at 360-249-4628; Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife at 541-867-4741; or the California Department of Fish and Game at 707-441-5797 (Eureka), 650-631-6789 (Belmont), 831-649-2804 (Monterey), 562-342-7111 (Los Alamitos).

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

Table 1 (North) to Part 660, Subpart D -- 2011 Limited Entry Trawl Rockfish Conservation Areas and Landing Allowances for non-IFQ Species and Pacific Whiting North of 40°10' N. Lat.

This table describes Rockfish Conservation Areas and incidental landing allowances for vessels registered to a Federal limited entry trawl permit and using groundfish trawl or groundfish non-trawl gears to harvest individual fishing quota (IFQ) species.

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read § 660.10 - § 660.399 before using this table

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	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{1/}:						
1 North of 48°10' N. lat.	shore - modified ^{2/} 200 fm line ^{1/}	shore - 200 fm line ^{1/}	shore - 150 fm line ^{1/}		shore - 200 fm line ^{1/}	shore - modified ^{2/} 200 fm line ^{1/}
2 48°10' N. lat. - 45°46' N. lat.	75 fm line ^{1/} - modified ^{2/} 200 fm line ^{1/}	75 fm line ^{1/} - 200 fm line ^{1/}	75 fm line ^{1/} - 150 fm line ^{1/}	100 fm line ^{1/} - 150 fm line ^{1/}	75 fm line ^{1/} - 200 fm line ^{1/}	75 fm line ^{1/} - modified ^{2/} 200 fm line ^{1/}
3 45°46' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.			75 fm line ^{1/} - 200 fm line ^{1/}	100 fm line ^{1/} - 200 fm line ^{1/}		
<p>Selective flatfish trawl gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all bottom trawl gear (large footrope, selective flatfish trawl, and small footrope trawl gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA. Large footrope and small footrope trawl gears (except for selective flatfish trawl gear) are prohibited shoreward of the RCA. Midwater trawl gear is permitted only for vessels participating in the primary whiting season. Vessels fishing groundfish trawl quota pounds with groundfish non-trawl gears, under gear switching provisions at § 660.140, are subject to the limited entry groundfish trawl fishery limits in this table, regardless of the type of fishing gear used.</p>						
<p>See § 660.60, § 660.130, and § 660.140 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, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).</p>						
<p>State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.</p>						
5 Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish	300 lb/ month					
6 Whiting						
7 midwater trawl	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED. -- During the primary season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See §660.131 for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED.					
8 large & small footrope gear	Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip. -- During the primary season: 10,000 lb/trip. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip.					
9 Cabezon						
10 North of 46°16' N. lat.	Unlimited					
11 46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	50 lb/ month					
12 Shortbelly	Unlimited					
13 Spiny dogfish	60,000 lb/ month					
14 Longnose skate	Unlimited					
15 Other Fish^{3/}	Unlimited					

TABLE 1 (North)

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, 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 the RCA restrictions may not fish in the RCA, or operate in the RCA for any purpose other than transiting.

2/ The "modified" fathom lines are modified to exclude certain petrale sole areas from the RCA.

3/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include sharks (except spiny dogfish), skates (except longnose skate), ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

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Table 1 (South) to Part 660, Subpart D -- Limited Entry Trawl Rockfish Conservation Areas and Landing Allowances for non-IFQ Species and Pacific Whiting South of 40°10' N. Lat.

This table describes Rockfish Conservation Areas and incidental landing allowances for vessels registered to a Federal limited entry trawl permit and using groundfish trawl or groundfish non-trawl gears to harvest individual fishing quota (IFQ) species.

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read § 660.10 - § 660.399 before using this table

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	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{1/}:						
¹ South of 40°10' N. lat.	100 fm line ^{1/} - 150 fm line ^{1/ 2/}					
Small footrope trawl gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, selective flatfish trawl, midwater trawl, and small footrope trawl gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA. Large footrope trawl gear and midwater trawl gear are prohibited shoreward of the RCA. Vessels fishing groundfish trawl quota pounds with groundfish non-trawl gears, under gear switching provisions at § 660.140, are subject to the limited entry groundfish trawl fishery limits in this table, regardless of the type of fishing gear used.						
See § 660.60, § 660.130, and § 660.140 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, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).						
State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.						
² Longspine thornyhead						
³ South of 34°27' N. lat.	24,000 lb/ 2 months					
⁴ Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish	300 lb/ month					
Whiting						
midwater trawl	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED. -- During the primary season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See §660.131 for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED.					
large & small footrope gear	Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip. -- During the primary season: 10,000 lb/trip. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip.					
⁵ Cabezon	50 lb/ month					
⁶ Shortbelly	Unlimited					
⁷ Spiny dogfish	60,000 lb/ month					
⁸ Longnose skate	Unlimited					
⁹ California scorpionfish	Unlimited					
¹⁰ Other Fish^{3/}	Unlimited					

TABLE 1 (South)

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, 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 the RCA restrictions may not fish in the RCA, or operate in the RCA for any purpose other than transiting.

2/ South of 34°27' N. lat., the RCA is 100 fm line - 150 fm line along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm line around islands.

3/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include sharks (except spiny dogfish), skates (excluding longnose skate), ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

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Table 2 (North) to Part 660, Subpart E -- Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear North of 40°10' N. Lat.
Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read §§ 660.10 - 660.65 and §§ 660.210 - 660.232 before using this table

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	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{6/}:						
1	North of 46°16' N. lat.		shoreline - 100 fm line ^{6/}			
2	46°16' N. lat. - 45°03.83' N. lat.		30 fm line ^{6/} - 100 fm line ^{6/}			
3	45°03.83' N. lat. - 43°00' N. lat.		30 fm line ^{6/} - 125 fm line ^{6/ 7/}			
4	43°00' N. lat. - 42°00' N. lat.		20 fm line ^{6/} - 100 fm line ^{6/}			
5	42°00' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.		20 fm depth contour - 100 fm line ^{6/}			
<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, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).</p>						
State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.						
6	Minor slope rockfish^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish		4,000 lb/ 2 months			
7	Pacific ocean perch		1,800 lb/ 2 months			
8	Sablefish		1,750 lb per week, not to exceed 7,000 lb/ 2 months	1,750 lb per week, not to exceed 8,500 lb/ 2 months	1,750 lb per week in November; 2,000 lb per week in December. Not to exceed 8,000 lb per two month period	
9	Longspine thornyhead		10,000 lb/ 2 months			
10	Shortspine thornyhead		2,000 lb/ 2 months			
11	Dover sole		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 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line are not subject to the RCAs.			
12	Arrowtooth flounder					
13	Petrale sole					
14	English sole					
15	Starry flounder					
16	Other flatfish^{1/}		5,000 lb/ month			
17	Whiting		10,000 lb/ trip			
18	Minor shelf rockfish^{2/}, Shortbelly, Widow, & Yellowtail rockfish		200 lb/ month			
19	Canary rockfish		CLOSED			
20	Yelloweye rockfish		CLOSED			
21	Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish					
22	North of 42° N. lat.		5,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{3/}			
23	42° - 40°10' N. lat.		6,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{3/}	7,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish ^{3/}		
24	Lingcod^{4/}		CLOSED	800 lb/ 2 months	400 lb/ month	CLOSED
25	Pacific cod		1,000 lb/ 2 months			
26	Spiny dogfish		200,000 lb/ 2 months	150,000 lb/ 2 months	100,000 lb/ 2 months	
27	Other fish^{5/}		Not limited			

TABLE 2 (North)

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- 1/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.
- 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/ 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.
- 4/ 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.
- 5/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include sharks, skates (including longnose skates), ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling. Cabezon is included in the trip limits for "other fish."
- 6/ 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.
- 7/ The 125 fm line restriction is in place all year, except on days when the directed halibut fishery is open. On those days the 100 fm line restriction is in effect.

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 -- Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear South of 40°10' N. Lat.
Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read §§ 660.10 - 660.65 and §§ 660.210 - 660.232 before using this table

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	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{5/}:						
1	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		30 fm line ^{5/} - 150 fm line ^{5/}			
2	South of 34°27' N. lat.		60 fm line ^{5/} - 150 fm line ^{5/} (also applies around islands)			
<p align="center">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, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).</p>						
State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.						
3	Minor slope rockfish^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish		40,000 lb/ 2 months			
4	Splitnose		40,000 lb/ 2 months			
5	Sablefish					
6	40°10' - 36° N. lat.	1,750 lb per week, not to exceed 7,000 lb/ 2 months	1,750 lb per week, not to exceed 8,500 lb/ 2 months	1,750 lb per week in November; 2,000 lb per week in December. Not to exceed 8,000 lb per two month period		
7	South of 36° N. lat.	400 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,500 lb	3,000 lb/ week	2,800 lb/ week	1,800 lb/ week	
8	Longspine thornyhead		10,000 lb / 2 months			
9	Shortspine thornyhead					
10	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		2,000 lb/ 2 months			
11	South of 34°27' N. lat.		3,000 lb/ 2 months			
12	Dover sole					
13	Arrowtooth flounder		5,000 lb/ month			
14	Petrals sole		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 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line are not subject to the RCAs.			
15	English sole					
16	Starry flounder					
17	Other flatfish^{1/}					
18	Whiting		10,000 lb/ trip			
19	Minor shelf rockfish^{2/}, Shortbelly, Widow rockfish, and Bocaccio (including Chilipepper between 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.)					
20	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	Minor shelf rockfish, shortbelly, widow rockfish, bocaccio & chilipepper: 2,500 lb/ 2 months, of which no more than 500 lb/ 2 months may be any species other than chilipepper.				
21	South of 34°27' N. lat.	3,000 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	3,000 lb/ 2 months		
22	Chilipepper rockfish					
23	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	Chilipepper included under minor shelf rockfish, shortbelly, widow and bocaccio limits -- See above				
24	South of 34°27' N. lat.	2,000 lb/ 2 months, this opportunity only available seaward of the nontrawl RCA				
25	Canary rockfish		CLOSED			
26	Yelloweye rockfish		CLOSED			
27	Cowcod		CLOSED			
28	Bronzespotted rockfish		CLOSED			
29	Bocaccio					
30	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	Bocaccio included under Minor shelf rockfish, shortbelly, widow & chilipepper limits -- See above				
31	South of 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	300 lb/ 2 months		

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Table 2 (South). Continued

		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC	
32 Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish								
33	Shallow nearshore	600 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	800 lb/ 2 months	900 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months	
34	Deeper nearshore							
35	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	700 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	700 lb/ 2 months		800 lb/ 2 months		
36	South of 34°27' N. lat.	500 lb/ 2 months		600 lb/ 2 months				
37	California scorpionfish	600 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	600 lb/ 2 months	1,200 lb/ 2 months			
38	Lingcod^{3/}	CLOSED		800 lb/ 2 months			400 lb/ month	CLOSED
39	Pacific cod	1,000 lb/ 2 months						
40	Spiny dogfish	200,000 lb/ 2 months		150,000 lb/ 2 months	100,000 lb/ 2 months			
41	Other fish^{4/} & Cabezon	Not limited						

TABLE 2 (South)

- 1/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.
- 2/ POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish. Yellowtail is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish. Bronzespotted rockfish have a species specific trip limit.
- 3/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length South of 42° N. lat.
- 4/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include sharks, skates (including longnose skates), ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling.
- 5/ 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.
- 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 -- Trip Limits for Open Access Gears North of 40°10' N. Lat.
Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read §§ 660.10 - 660.65 and §§ 660.310 - 660.333 before using this table

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Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{6/}:							
1	North of 46°16' N. lat.	shoreline - 100 fm line ^{6/}					
2	46°16' N. lat. - 45°03.83' N. lat.	30 fm line ^{6/} - 100 fm line ^{6/}					
3	45°03.83' N. lat. - 43°00' N. lat.	30 fm line ^{6/} - 125 fm line ^{6/ 7/}					
4	43°00' N. lat. - 42°00' N. lat.	20 fm line ^{6/} - 100 fm line ^{6/}					
5	42°00' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	20 fm depth contour - 100 fm line ^{6/}					
<p>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, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).</p>							
State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.							
6	Minor slope rockfish ^{1/} & Darkblotched rockfish	Per trip, no more than 25% of weight of the sablefish landed					
7	Pacific ocean perch	100 lb/ month					
8	Sablefish	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 800 lb, not to exceed 2,400 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 950 lb, not to exceed 2,750 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 950 lb, in November; 400 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,500 lb, in December. Not to exceed 4,500 lb per two month period		
9	Thornyheads	CLOSED					
10	Dover sole	3,000 lb/month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs. 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 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line are not subject to the RCAs.					
11	Arrowtooth flounder						
12	Petrable sole						
13	English sole						
14	Starry flounder						
15	Other flatfish ^{2/}						
16	Whiting	300 lb/ month					
17	Minor shelf rockfish ^{1/} , Shortbelly, Widow, & Yellowtail rockfish	200 lb/ month					
18	Canary rockfish	CLOSED					
19	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED					
20	Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish						
21	North of 42° N. lat.	5,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{3/}					
22	42° - 40°10' N. lat.	6,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{3/}	7,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black rockfish ^{3/}				
23	Lingcod ^{4/}	CLOSED		400 lb/ month			CLOSED
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	Other Fish ^{5/}	Not limited					

TABLE 3 (North)

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Table 3 (North). Continued

		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC	TABLE 3 (North) con't	
27	SALMON TROLL (subject to RCAs when retaining any 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.							
29	PINK SHRIMP NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL (not subject to RCAs)								
30	North	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.							

- 1/ 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.
- 2/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.
- 3/ 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.
- 4/ 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.
- 5/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include sharks, skates (including longnose skates), ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling. Cabezon is included in the trip limits for "other fish."
- 6/ 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.
- 7/ The 125 fm line restriction is in place all year, except on days when the directed halibut fishery is open. On those days the 100 fm line restriction is in effect.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

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Table 3 (South) to Part 660, Subpart F -- Trip Limits for Open Access Gears South of 40°10' N. Lat.
Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read §§ 660.10 - 660.65 and §§ 660.310 - 660.333 before using this table

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TABLE 3 (South)

		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)^{5/}:							
1	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	30 fm line ^{5/} - 150 fm line ^{5/}					
2	South of 34°27' N. lat.	60 fm line ^{5/} - 150 fm line ^{5/} (also applies around islands)					
<p>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, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, Cordell Banks, and EFHCAs).</p>							
State trip limits and seasons may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off Oregon and California.							
3	Minor slope rockfish^{1/} & Darkblotched rockfish						
4	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	Per trip, no more than 25% of weight of the sablefish landed					
5	South of 38° N. lat.	10,000 lb/ 2 months					
6	Splitnose	200 lb/ month					
7	Sablefish						
8	40°10' - 36° N. lat.	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 800 lb, not to exceed 2,400 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 950 lb, not to exceed 2,750 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 950 lb, in November; 400 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,500 lb, in December. Not to exceed 4,500 lb per two month period	
9	South of 36° N. lat.	400 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,500 lb, not to exceed 8,000 lb/ 2 months		400 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 2,500 lb	800 lb/ week, not to exceed 1,600 lb/ month		CLOSED
10	Thornyheads						
11	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED					
12	South of 34°27' N. lat.	50 lb/ day, no more than 1,000 lb/ 2 months					
13	Dover sole						
14	Arrowtooth flounder						
15	Petrале sole						
16	English sole						
17	Starry flounder						
18	Other flatfish^{2/}	3,000 lb/month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs. 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 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to two 1 lb (0.45 kg) weights per line are not subject to the RCAs.					
19	Whiting	300 lb/ month					
20	Minor shelf rockfish^{1/}, Shortbelly, Widow & Chilipepper rockfish						
21	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months		200 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months	
22	South of 34°27' N. lat.	750 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	750 lb/ 2 months			
23	Canary rockfish	CLOSED					
24	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED					
25	Cowcod	CLOSED					
26	Bronzespotted rockfish	CLOSED					
27	Bocaccio						
28	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	200 lb/ 2 months		100 lb/ 2 months		200 lb/ 2 months	
29	South of 34°27' N. lat.	100 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	100 lb/ 2 months			

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		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
30	Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish						
31	Shallow nearshore	600 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	800 lb/ 2 months	900 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months
32	Deeper nearshore						
33	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	700 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	700 lb/ 2 months		800 lb/ 2 months	
34	South of 34°27' N. lat.	500 lb/ 2 months		600 lb/ 2 months			
35	California scorpionfish	600 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED	600 lb/ 2 months	1,200 lb/ 2 months		
36	Lingcod^{3/}	CLOSED		400 lb/ month			CLOSED
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	Other Fish^{4/} & Cabezon	Not limited					
40	RIDGEBACK PRAWN AND, SOUTH OF 38°57.50' N. LAT., CA HALIBUT AND SEA CUCUMBER NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL						
41	NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA) for CA Halibut, Sea Cucumber & Ridgeback Prawn:						
42	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	100 fm - modified 200 fm ^{6/}	100 fm - 150 fm			100 fm - modified 200 fm ^{6/}	
43	38° - 34°27' N. lat.	100 fm - 150 fm					
44	South of 34°27' N. lat.	100 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands					
45		<p>Groundfish: 300 lb/trip. Trip limits in this table 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, curlfin sole, or California scorpionfish (California scorpionfish is also subject to the trip limits and closures in line 31).</p>					
46	PINK SHRIMP NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL GEAR (not subject to RCAs)						
47	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, 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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- 1/ Yellowtail rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish. POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish. Bronzespotted rockfish have a species specific trip limit.
 - 2/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.11 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, and sand sole.
 - 3/ The size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length South of 42° N. lat.
 - 4/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.11 and include sharks, skates (including longnose skates), ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling.
 - 5/ 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.
 - 6/ The "modified 200 fm" line is modified to exclude certain petrale sole areas from the RCA.
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