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PACIFIC COAST GROUND FISH FISHERY

Commercial Fishery Trip Limit Tables for January 1, 2013

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announced changes to commercial and recreational fishery management measures for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery off California, **effective January 1, 2013** in a separate Public Notice.

This commercial limited entry fixed gear primary sablefish fishery tier limit description for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery off Washington, Oregon, and California is provided as a quick reference for fishery participants planning their 2013 fishing season. Please refer to the Public Notices for more detailed description of provisions regarding moving between the limited entry fixed gear primary fishery, the Limited Entry Fixed Gear Daily Trip Limit Fishery (LEFG DTL) and Open Access Daily Trip Limit Fishery (OA DTL). These tier limits are found in groundfish regulations at §660.231, Subpart E.

The 2013 tier limits are as follows:

Tier 1 = 34,513 lb (15,665 kg)

Tier 2 = 15,688 lb (7,116 kg)

Tier 3 = 8,964 lb (4,066 kg)

The 2014 tier limits are as follows:

Tier 1 = 37,441 lb (16,983 kg)

Tier 2 = 17,019 lb (7,720 kg)

Tier 3 = 9,725 lb (4,411 kg)