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PACIFIC COAST GROUNDFISH FISHERY Correction to the Limited Entry Trawl Trip Limit Table, Table 3 (South)

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announces a correction to the limited entry trawl trip limit table, Table 3 (South), published as part of the October inseason changes for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery off Washington, Oregon, and California. Table 3 (South), as previously published at 70 FR 58066 (October 5, 2005) and NMFS-SEA-05-07 (September 30, 2005), contained an error in the trip limit for petrale sole between 40°10' N. lat. and 38° N. lat., inadvertently closing the retention of petrale sole in this area for the month of October. The prohibition on retention of petrale sole should have been stated within that table as applying only south of 38° N. lat. to the U.S./Mexico border. The trip limit between 40°10' N. lat. and 38° N. lat. should have remained 110,000 lb per 2 months for "Other flatfish," English sole and petrale sole combined, no more than 42,000 lb per 2 months of which may be petrale sole. This correction is **effective at 0001 hours (local time) October 1, 2005**. For a more detailed description of this correction, see the notice published in the *Federal Register* on October 20, 2005.

Trip limit table, Table 3 (South), effective October 1, 2005, is 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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Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read § 660.301 - § 660.390 before using this table

Table 3 (South) to Part 660, Subpart G -- 2005-2006 Trip Limits for Limited Entry Trawl Gear South of 40°10' N. Lat. 092005

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Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA) ^{6/} :								
	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	75 fm - modified 200 fm ^{7/}	100 fm - 200 fm	100 fm - 150 fm			shoreline - 250 fm	
	38° - 36° N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm		100 fm - 150 fm			shoreline - 200 fm	
	36° - 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm 100 fm - 150 fm			0 fm		50 fm - 200 fm	
	South of 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands		m along the ma - 150 fm around	inland coast; sl d islands	noreline	mainl shorel	00 fm along the and coast; ine - 200 fm nd islands

Small footrope gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, midwater trawl, and small footrope gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA.

See § 660.370 and § 660.381 for Additional Gear, Trip Limit, and Conservation Area Requirements and Restrictions. See §§ 660.390-660.394 for Conservation Area Descriptions and Coordinates (including RCAs, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, and Cordell Banks).

State trip limits may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off Oregon and California. Minor slope rockfish^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish 8,000 lb/2 20,000 lb/ 2 8,000 lb/ 2 6,000 lb/ 2 2 4,000 lb/ 2 months 40°10' - 38° N. lat. months months months months South of 38° N. lat 40,000 lb/ 2 months 3 4 **Splitnose** 8.000 lb/ 2 20,000 lb/ 2 8.000 lb/ 2 6.000 lb/ 2 5 40°10' - 38° N. lat 4,000 lb/ 2 months months months months months 40,000 lb/ 2 months 6 South of 38° N. lat DTS complex 7 9,000 lb/ 2 8 Sablefish 14,000 lb/ 2 months 16,000 lb/2 months months 11.000 lb/ 2 9 Longspine thornyhead 19,000 lb / 2 months months 3,500 lb/2 4,200 lb/ 2 months 4,600 lb/ 2 months 10 Shortspine thornyhead months 30,000 lb/ 2 50,000 lb/ 2 months 40,000 lb/ 2 months Dover sole 11 months 12 Flatfish (except Dover sole) Other flatfish^{3/} & English sole 13 30.000 lb/ 2 40°10' - 38° N. lat 14 months 110,000 lb/ 2 Other flatfish, English sole & Petrale sole: 110,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 42,000 lb/2 months of which may be months 40,000 lb/ 2 15 South of 38° N. lat petrale sole. South of 38° N. lat. during October, retention months of petrale sole is prohibited. 2.000 lb/ 2 No limit 16 Petrale sole months

Table 3 (South). Continued

17	Arrowtooth flounder									
18	40°10' - 38° N. lat.				10,000 lb/ 2 months					
19	South of 38° N. lat.	No limit		10,000 lb/ 2 months	5,000 lb/ 2					
20	Whiting				months	-				
21	midwater trawl	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED During the primary season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See §660.373 for season and trip limit details After the primary whiting season: CLOSED								
22	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								
23	Minor shelf rockfish ^{1/} , Chilipepper, Shortbelly, Widow, & Yelloweye rockfish					BL				
24	large footrope or midwater trawl for Minor shelf rockfish & Shortbelly	300 lb/ month								
25	large footrope or midwater trawl for Chilipepper	2,000 lb/ 2 months		12,000 lb/ 2 months	8,000 lb/ 2 months	ယ				
26	large footrope or midwater trawl for Widow & Yelloweye	CLOSED								
27	small footrope trawl	300 lb/ month								
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29	large footrope or midwater trawl	300 lb/ 2 months								
30	small footrope trawl	CLOSED								
	Canary rockfish					ဂ				
32	large footrope or midwater trawl			CLOSED		□ 2				
33	small footrope trawl	100 lb/ month		300 lb/ month	100 lb/ month	con't				
34	Cowcod	CLOSED								
35	Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish									
36	large footrope or midwater trawl	CLOSED								
37	small footrope trawl	300 lb/ month								
38	Lingcod ^{4/}									
39	large footrope or midwater trawl									
40	small footrope trawl	800 lb/ 2 months 1,000 lb/ 2 months 800 lb/ 2 months								
41	Other Fish ^{5/} & Cabezon	Not limited								

^{1/} Yellowtail is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish.

 $[\]ensuremath{\mathrm{2/\,POP}}$ is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish

^{3/ &}quot;Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.302 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, sand sole, and starry flounder.

^{4/} The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

^{5/} Other fish are defined at § 660.302 and include sharks, skates, ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling.

Pacific cod is included in the trip limits for "other fish."

^{6/} The Rockfish Conservation Area is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat/long coordinates set out at § 660.390.

^{7/} The "modified 200 fm" line is modified to exclude certain petrale sole areas from the RCA.

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