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CORRECTIONS PACIFIC COAST GROUND FISH FISHERY DURING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY COMMERCIAL TRIP LIMIT TABLES AND TRAWL ROCKFISH CONSERVATION AREA

Effective January 28, 2004

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announces corrections to commercial trip limit tables and the trawl rockfish conservation area for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery off Washington, Oregon, and California, **effective January 28, 2004**. The specifications and management measures for the 2004 fishing year (January 1 - December 31, 2004) were published in the Federal Register as an emergency rule for January 1 - February 29, 2004 (69 FR 1322, January 8, 2004) and as a proposed rule for March 1 - December 31, 2004 (69 FR 1380, January 8, 2004). Any discrepancies between this public notice and the Federal Register will be resolved in favor of the Federal Register.

Management measures for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery, effective January 1 - February 29, 2004, contained errors in the trawl trip limit tables, in the open access trip limit table (South), and in the rockfish conservation area (RCA) boundary coordinates around California islands that required correction.

- % The trawl trip limit table (North) is revised to clarify that for the DTS complex (Dover sole, thornyheads, sablefish,) small footrope gear restrictions that apply "North or South" refer to north or south of 40°10' N. lat.
- % The trawl trip limit table (South) is revised to correct a reference to a trawl RCA around islands (i.e., Farallon Islands) between 40°10' N. lat. and 34°27' N. lat. In this area, a reference to a trawl RCA extending between the shoreline and specific latitude coordinates approximating the 150 fathom depth contour is removed and a closure to trawling between the shoreline and the 10 fathom depth contour around the Farallon Islands is added. Along the mainland coast of California, the trawl RCA continues to

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extend between specific latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 75 fathom depth contour and specific latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 150 fathom depth contour.

- % The open access trip limit table (South) is revised to correct a reference to an exempted trawl RCA around islands (i.e., Farallon Islands) between 40°10' N. lat. and 34°27' N. lat. In this area, a reference to an exempted trawl RCA extending between the shoreline and specific latitude coordinates approximating the 150 fathom depth contour is removed and a closure to trawling between the shoreline and the 10 fathom depth contour around the Farallon Islands is added. Along the mainland coast of California, the exempted trawl RCA continues to extend between specific latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 75 fathom depth contour and specific latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 150 fathom depth contour.

- % The specific latitude and longitude coordinates that approximate the 150 fathom depth contour around Santa Catalina Island are corrected to closer approximate the 150 fathom depth contour. The corrected coordinates are as follows:
 - (1) 33°17.24' N. lat., 118°12.94' W. long.;
 - (2) 33°23.60' N. lat., 118°18.79' W. long.;
 - (3) 33°26.00' N. lat., 118°22.00' W. long.;
 - (4) 33°27.57' N. lat., 118°27.69' W. long.;
 - (5) 33°29.78' N. lat., 118°31.01' W. long.;
 - (6) 33°30.46' N. lat., 118°36.52' W. long.;
 - (7) 33°28.65' N. lat., 118°41.07' W. long.;
 - (8) 33°23.23' N. lat., 118°30.69' W. long.;
 - (9) 33°20.97' N. lat., 118°33.29' W. long.;
 - (10) 33°19.81' N. lat., 118°32.24' W. long.;
 - (11) 33°18.00' N. lat., 118°28.00' W. long.;
 - (12) 33°15.62' N. lat., 118°14.74' W. long.;
 - (13) 33°16.00' N. lat., 118°13.00' W. long.; and
 - (14) 33°17.24' N. lat., 118°12.94' W. long.

- % There was a typographic error in one of the coordinates for the RCA boundary approximating the 60 fathom depth contour around the northern Channel Islands. Therefore, coordinate (13) 34°28.0' N. lat., 119°21.40' W. long. is corrected to read (13) **34°02.80' N. lat.**, 119°21.40' W. long.

A complete set up updated trip limit tables are included in this public notice.

Table 3 (North). 2004 Trip Limits and Gear Requirements^{1/} for Limited Entry Trawl Gear North of 40°10' N. Latitude^{2/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{10/} (RCA):							
North of 40°10' N. lat.		75 fm - modified 200 fm ^{11/}	60 fm - 200 fm		75 fm - 150 fm	75 fm - 200 fm	75 fm - modified 200 fm ^{11/}
Small footrope or midwater trawl gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, midwater trawl, and small footrope gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA.							
A vessel may have more than one type of limited entry bottom trawl gear on board, but the most restrictive trip limit associated with the gear on board applies for that trip and will count toward the cumulative trip limit for that gear. A vessel may not have limited entry bottom trawl gear on board if that vessel also has trawl gear on board that is permitted for use within a RCA, including limited entry midwater trawl gear, regardless of whether the vessel is intending to fish within a RCA on that fishing trip. See IV.A.(14)(iv) for details.							
1	Minor slope rockfish ^{3/}	4,000 lb/ 2 months					
2	Pacific ocean perch	3,000 lb/ 2 months					
3	DTS complex	Providing only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope trawl trip limits apply. If small footrope gear ^{7/} is used at any time in any area (North or South of 40°10' N. lat., shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then small footrope trawl limits apply.					
4	Sablefish						
5	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	9,300 lb/ 2 months		8,700 lb/ 2 months			6,200 lb/ 2 months
6	small footrope gear ^{7/}	2,000 lb/ 2 months		5,000 lb/ 2 months			2,000 lb/ 2 months
7	Longspine thornyhead						
8	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	15,000 lb/ 2 months		10,000 lb/ 2 months			
9	small footrope gear ^{7/}	1,000 lb/ 2 months					
10	Shortspine thornyhead						
11	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	3,150 lb/ 2 months		2,100 lb/ 2 months			
12	small footrope gear ^{7/}	1,000 lb/ 2 months					
13	Dover sole						
14	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	67,500 lb/ 2 months		21,000 lb/ 2 months (providing large footrope, small footrope, and/or midwater trawl gear is used)			45,000 lb/ 2 months
15	small footrope gear ^{7/}	10,000 lb/ 2 months					10,000 lb/ 2 months
16	Flatfish	Providing only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope trawl trip limits apply. If small footrope gear ^{7/} is used at any time in any area (North or South, shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then small footrope trawl limits apply.					
17	All other flatfish, Petrale sole, & Rex sole						
18	large footrope or midwater trawl gear for All other flatfish ^{4/} & Rex sole	100,000 lb/ 2 months					
19	large footrope or midwater trawl gear for Petrale sole	Not limited		100,000 lb/ 2 months			Not limited
20	small footrope gear ^{7/}	30,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 10,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.		60,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 25,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.			30,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 10,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.
21	Arrowtooth flounder						
22	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	Not limited		150,000 lb/ 2 months			Not limited
23	small footrope gear ^{7/}	4,000 lb/ 2 months		6,000 lb/ 2 months			4,000 lb/ 2 months

Table 3 (North). Continued

24	Whiting^{5/}	Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip -- During the primary season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip		
25	Minor shelf rockfish^{3/} & Widow rockfish			
26	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
27	midwater trawl for Widow rockfish	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/} -- During primary whiting season: In trips of at least 10,000 lb of whiting, combined widow and yellowtail limit of 500 lb/ trip, cumulative widow limit of 1,500 lb/ month. Mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for primary whiting season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/}		12,000 lb/ 2 months
28	midwater for Minor shelf rockfish or small footrope trawl ^{7/}	300 lb/ month	1,000 lb/ month, no more than 200 lb/ month of which may be yelloweye rockfish	300 lb/ month
29	Canary rockfish			
30	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
31	midwater or small footrope trawl ^{7/}	100 lb/ month	300 lb/ month	100 lb/ month
32	Yellowtail			
33	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
34	midwater trawl	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/} -- During primary whiting season: In trips of at least 10,000 lb of whiting: combined widow and yellowtail limit of 500 lb/ trip, cumulative yellowtail limit of 2,000 lb/ month. Mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for primary whiting season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/}		18,000 lb/ 2 months
35	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	In landings without flatfish, 1,000 lb/ month. As flatfish bycatch, per trip limit is the sum of 33% (by weight) of all flatfish except arrowtooth flounder, plus 10% (by weight) of arrowtooth flounder. Total yellowtail landings not to exceed 10,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,000 lb of which may be landed without flatfish.		
36	Minor nearshore rockfish			
37	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
38	midwater or small footrope trawl ^{7/}	300 lb/ month		
39	Lingcod^{8/}			
40	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
41	midwater or small footrope trawl ^{7/}	800 lb/ 2 months	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months
42	Other Fish^{9/}	Not limited		

1/ Gear requirements and prohibitions are explained above. See IV. A.(14).

2/ "North" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Canada border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

3/ Bocaccio and chilipepper are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

4/ "Other" flatfish means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 3 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

5/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

6/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

7/ Small footrope trawl means a bottom trawl net with a footrope no larger than 8 inches (20 cm) in diameter.

8/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

9/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

10/ 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 IV. A.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

11/ The "modified 200 fm" line is modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds.

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

Table 3 (South). 2004 Trip Limits and Gear Requirements^{1/} for Limited Entry Trawl Gear South of 40°10' N. Latitude^{2/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{10/} (RCA):						
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		100 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	
South of 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands		100 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands		75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands	
Small footrope or midwater trawl gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, midwater trawl, and small footrope gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA.						
A vessel may have more than one type of limited entry bottom trawl gear on board, but the most restrictive trip limit associated with the gear on board applies for that trip and will count toward the cumulative trip limit for that gear. A vessel may not have limited entry bottom trawl gear on board if that vessel also has trawl gear on board that is permitted for use within a RCA, including limited entry midwater trawl gear, regardless of whether the vessel is intending to fish within a RCA on that fishing trip. See IV.A.(14)(iv) for details.						
1	Minor slope rockfish^{3/}					
2	40°10' - 38° N. lat.		7,000 lb/ 2 months			
3	South of 38° N. lat.		40,000 lb/ 2 months			
4	Splitnose					
5	40°10' - 38° N. lat.		7,000 lb/ 2 months			
6	South of 38° N. lat.		40,000 lb/ 2 months			
7	DTS complex					
8	Sablefish		11,250 lb/ 2 months		7,500 lb/ 2 months	
9	Longspine thornyhead		15,000 lb / 2 months		10,000 lb / 2 months	
10	Shortspine thornyhead		3,000 lb/ 2 months		2,000 lb/ 2 months	
11	Dover sole		39,000 lb/ 2 months		26,000 lb/ 2 months	
12	Flatfish					
13	All other flatfish ^{4/} & Rex sole		100,000 lb/ 2 months		All other flatfish plus petrale & rex sole: 100,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 20,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole	
14	Petrale sole		No limit		No limit	
15	Arrowtooth flounder		No limit		10,000 lb/ 2 months	
16	Whiting ^{5/}		Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip -- During the primary whiting season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip			
17	Minor shelf rockfish, Widow, and Chilipepper rockfish ^{3/}		Providing only large footrope trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope limit applies.			
18	large footrope trawl for Minor shelf rockfish		300 lb/ month			
19	large footrope trawl for Chilipepper rockfish		2,000 lb/ 2 months			
20	large footrope or midwater trawl for Widow rockfish		CLOSED ^{6/}			
21	midwater for Minor shelf or Chilipepper rockfish or small footrope trawl ^{7/}		300 lb/ month			
22	Bocaccio		Providing only large footrope trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope limit applies.			
23	large footrope trawl		100 lb/month			
24	midwater or small footrope trawl ^{7/}		CLOSED ^{6/}			
25	Canary rockfish					
26	large footrope trawl		CLOSED ^{6/}			
27	midwater or small footrope trawl ^{7/}		100 lb/ month		300 lb/ month	
					100 lb/ month	

Table 3 (South). Continued

28	Cowcod	CLOSED ^{6/}		
29	Minor nearshore rockfish			
30	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
31	midwater or small footrope trawl ^{7/}	300 lb/ month		
32	Lingcod^{8/}			
33	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
34	midwater or small footrope trawl ^{7/}	800 lb/ 2 months	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months
35	Other Fish^{9/}	Not limited		

1/ Gear requirements and prohibitions are explained above. See IV. A.(14).

2/ "South" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Mexico border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

3/ Yellowtail is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

4/ "Other" flatfish means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 3 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

5/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

6/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

7/ Small footrope trawl means a bottom trawl net with a footrope no larger than 8 inches (20 cm) in diameter.

8/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

9/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

10/ 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 IV. A.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

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

Table 4 (North). 2004 Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear North of 40°10' N. Latitude^{1/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{8/} (RCA):						
North of 46°16' N. lat.	shoreline - 100 fm					
46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	30 fm - 100 fm					
1 Minor slope rockfish^{4/}	4,000 lb/ 2 months					
2 Pacific ocean perch	1,800 lb/ 2 months					
3 Sablefish	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months					
4 Longspine thornyhead	10,000 lb/ 2 months					
5 Shortspine thornyhead	2,100 lb/ 2 months					
6 Dover sole	5,000 lb/ month					
7 Arrowtooth flounder						
8 Petrale sole						
9 Rex sole						
10 All other flatfish^{2/}						
11 Whiting^{3/}	10,000 lb/ trip					
12 Minor shelf rockfish, widow, and yellowtail rockfish^{4/}	200 lb/ month					
13 Canary rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
14 Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
15 Minor nearshore rockfish	5,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{6/}					
16 Lingcod^{7/}	CLOSED ^{5/}		400 lb/ month		CLOSED ^{5/}	
17 Other fish^{9/}	Not limited					

1/ "North" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Canada border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

2/ "Other flatfish" means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 4 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

3/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

4/ Bocaccio and chilipepper are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

5/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

6/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09'30" N. lat.), and between Destruction Island (47°40'00" N. lat.) and Leadbetter Point (46°38'10" 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.

7/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

8/ 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 IV. A.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

9/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

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

Table 4 (South). 2004 Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear South of 40°10' N. Latitude^{1/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{7/} (RCA):							
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		20 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	
South of 34°27' N. lat.		60 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands)					
1	Minor slope rockfish^{4/}						
2	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	7,000 lb/ 2 months					
3	South of 38° N. lat.	40,000 lb/ 2 months					
4	Splitnose						
5	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	7,000 lb/ 2 months					
6	South of 38° N. lat.	40,000 lb/ 2 months					
7	Sablefish						
8	40°10' - 36° N. lat.	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months					
9	South of 36° N. lat.	350 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,050 lb					
10	Longspine thornyhead	10,000 lb/ 2 months					
11	Shortspine thornyhead	2,000 lb/ 2 months					
12	Dover sole	5,000 lb/ month					
13	Arrowtooth flounder	When fishing for Pacific sanddabs, 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 1 lb (0.45 kg) of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.					
14	Petrale sole						
15	Rex sole						
16	All other flatfish^{2/}						
17	Whiting^{3/}	10,000 lb/ trip					
18	Minor shelf rockfish, widow, and yellowtail rockfish^{4/}						
19	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	200 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months		
20	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	2,000 lb/ 2 months				
21	Chilipepper rockfish	2,000 lb/ 2 months, this opportunity only available seaward of the nontrawl RCA					
22	Canary rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
23	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
24	Cowcod	CLOSED ^{5/}					
25	Bocaccio						
26	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	200 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	100 lb/ 2 months	200 lb/ 2 months		
27	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	300 lb/ 2 months				
28	Minor nearshore rockfish						
29	Shallow nearshore						
30	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months	500 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months
31	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	300 lb/ 2 months				
32	Deeper nearshore						
33	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	500 lb/ 2 months	400 lb/month	500 lb/ 2 months	
34	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months			400 lb/ 2 months
35	California scorpionfish	CLOSED ^{5/}	300 lb/ 2 months	400 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months	

Table 4 (South). Continued

36	Lingcod ^{6/}	CLOSED ^{5/}	400 lb/ month, when nearshore open	CLOSED ^{5/}
37	Other fish ^{8/}	Not limited		

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2/ "Other flatfish" means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 4 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

3/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

4/ Chilipepper rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

5/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

6/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

7/ 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 IV. A.(17)(f) that may vary seasonally.

8/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

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

Table 5 (North). 2004 Trip Limits for Open Access Gears North of 40°10' N. Latitude^{1/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and C. NMFS Actions before using this table

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		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{8/} (RCA):							
North of 46°16' N. lat.		shoreline - 100 fm					
46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.		30 fm - 100 fm					
1	Minor slope rockfish ^{2/}	Per trip, no more than 25% of weight of the sablefish landed					
2	Pacific ocean perch	100 lb/ month					
3	Sablefish	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months					
4	Thornyheads	CLOSED ^{5/}					
5	Dover sole	3,000 lb/month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs.					
6	Arrowtooth flounder						
7	Petrale sole						
8	Rex sole						
9	All other flatfish ^{3/}						
10	Whiting	300 lb/ month					
11	Minor shelf rockfish, widow and yellowtail rockfish ^{2/}	200 lb/ month					
12	Canary rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
13	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
14	Minor nearshore rockfish	5,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{6/}					
15	Lingcod ^{6/}	CLOSED ^{5/}	300 lb/ month			CLOSED ^{5/}	
16	Other Fish ^{7/}	Not limited					
17 PINK SHRIMP EXEMPTED TRAWL (not subject to RCAs)							
18	North	Effective April 1 - October 31, 2004: 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.					
19 SALMON TROLL							
20	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. All groundfish species are subject to the open access limits, seasons and RCA restrictions listed in the table above.					

1/ "North" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Canada border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

2/ Bocaccio and chilipepper rockfishes 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" means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 5 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

4/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09'30" N. lat.), and between Destruction Island (47°40' N. lat.) and Leadbetter Point (46°38'10" 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.

5/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

6/ The size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

7/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

8/ 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 IV. A.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

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

Table 5 (South). 2004 Trip Limits for Open Access Gears South of 40°10' N. Latitude^{1/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and C. NMFS Actions before using this table

		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{7/} (RCA):							
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		20 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	
South of 34°27' N. lat.		60 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands)					
1	Minor slope rockfish^{2/}						
2	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	Per trip, no more than 25% of weight of the sablefish landed					
3	South of 38° N. lat.	10,000 lb/ 2 months					
4	Splitnose	200 lb/ month					
5	Sablefish						
6	40°10' - 36° N. lat.	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months					
7	South of 36° N. lat.	350 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,050 lb					
8	Thornyheads						
9	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}					
10	South of 34°27' N. lat.	50 lb/ day, no more than 1,000 lb/ 2 months					
11	Dover sole	3,000 lb/month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs. When fishing for Pacific sanddabs, 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 1 lb of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.					
12	Arrowtooth flounder						
13	Petrale sole						
14	Rex sole						
15	All other flatfish^{3/}						
16	Whiting	300 lb/ month					
17	Minor shelf rockfish, widow and chilipepper rockfish^{2/}						
18	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	200 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months	
19	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	500 lb/ 2 months				
20	Canary rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
21	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}					
22	Cowcod	CLOSED ^{5/}					
23	Bocaccio						
24	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	200 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	100 lb/ 2 months		200 lb/ 2 months	
25	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	100 lb/ 2 months				
26	Minor nearshore rockfish						
27	Shallow nearshore						
28	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months	500 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months
29	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	300 lb/ 2 months				
30	Deeper nearshore						
31	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	500 lb/ 2 months		400 lb/month	500 lb/ 2 months
32	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED ^{5/}	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months			400 lb/ 2 months
33	California scorpionfish	CLOSED ^{5/}	300 lb/ 2 months		400 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months

Table 5 (South). Continued

34	Lingcod ^{4/}	CLOSED ^{5/}	300 lb/ month, when nearshore open	CLOSED ^{5/}
35	Other Fish ^{6/}	Not limited		
36	PINK SHRIMP EXEMPTED TRAWL GEAR (not subject to RCAs)			
37	South	Effective April 1 - October 31, 2004: 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.		
38	PRAWN AND, SOUTH OF 38°57'30" N. LAT., CALIFORNIA HALIBUT AND SEA CUCUMBER EXEMPTED TRAWL			
39	EXEMPTED TRAWL Rockfish Conservation Area^{7/} (RCA):			
40	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	100 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)
41	South of 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands	100 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands
42	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°57'30" 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 33).			

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