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PACIFIC COAST GROUND FISH FISHERY
Changes to Areas Closed to Commercial and Recreational Fisheries
Changes to Limited Entry Trawl DTS Trip Limits

Effective November 21, 2003

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announces changes to the commercial trawl and non-trawl rockfish conservation areas, changes to the areas closed to recreational fishing, and changes to the limited entry trawl DTS trip limits effective November 21, 2003. These changes will be effective for both the trawl "A" and "B" platoons at this time.

At the November Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) meeting in Del Mar, California, the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) reviewed updated catch estimates from the commercial and recreational groundfish fisheries. The GMT noted that the recreational fisheries off California had significantly higher than expected participation in July and August 2003. Based on early California recreational fisheries catch estimates from the Recreational Fisheries Information Network, the GMT determined that the lingcod Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) and canary rockfish Optimum Yield (OY) had likely been exceeded. Therefore, the Pacific Council made several inseason management recommendations to minimize further mortality of lingcod and canary rockfish, both overfished species, for the remainder of the fishing year.

Rockfish Conservation Area Boundaries

The Pacific Council recommended that the trawl rockfish conservation area (RCA) be expanded to extend between the shoreline and specific

latitude and longitude coordinates that approximate the 200 fathom depth contour (modified to allow fishing in petrale sole areas) coastwide. Expanding the trawl RCA will protect canary rockfish and lingcod by prohibiting trawling in nearshore areas and on the continental shelf.

The Pacific Council also recommended that the non-trawl RCA be similarly expanded to limit further mortality of canary rockfish and lingcod. Therefore, for the remainder of the fishing year, the non-trawl RCA will be as follows:

- & Between the U.S. border with Canada and 46°16.00' N. lat., the non-trawl RCA will extend between the shoreline and specific latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 200 fathom depth contour (modified to in petrale sole areas).
- & Between 46°16.00' N. lat. and the U.S. border with Mexico, the non-trawl RCA will extend between the shoreline and specific latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 150 fathom depth contour.

In the last inseason adjustment to Pacific Coast annual specifications and management measures for October - December (68 FR 60865, October 24, 2003), NMFS announced a western trawl RCA boundary with specific latitude and

longitude coordinates approximating the 200 fathom depth contour which was modified to allow for petrale sole fishing. That boundary contained several errors; specifically, it omitted boundary modifications to allow for fishing in the petrale sole areas off the states of Oregon and California. Therefore, the 200 fathom trawl RCA boundary is corrected by modifying it to allow for petrale fishing in areas where petrale sole aggregate.

The corrected 200 fathom and the 150 fathom RCA boundaries appear at the end of this public notice.

Recreational Fisheries

To further protect canary rockfish and lingcod, the Pacific Council recommended inseason adjustments to recreational groundfish fisheries coastwide.

Washington

For the remainder of the fishing year, recreational groundfish fisheries off the state of Washington will be prohibited seaward of the Federal/State three mile boundary. The state of Washington has already taken independent action to prohibit the retention of canary rockfish shoreward of the three mile boundary. Because inclement weather curtails recreational groundfish fisheries off Washington during winter months, the additional mortality of either canary rockfish or lingcod associated with this fishery occurring in State waters is predicted to be near zero. Recreational fishing for lingcod off Washington closed on October 16, 2003.

Oregon

Off the state of Oregon, recreational groundfish fisheries for the remainder of the fishing year will be prohibited seaward of specific latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 27 fathom depth contour. Retention of canary and lingcod will be prohibited shoreward of the 27 fathom depth contour. Similarly to Washington, effort in Oregon's recreational groundfish fisheries during November and December is low. Because of this low effort, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has predicted

that the additional mortality associated with this fishery would be approximately 0.11 mt of canary rockfish and 0.09 mt of lingcod.

California

Off the state of California, all recreational groundfish fisheries, with the exception of the fixed gear sanddab fishery, will be prohibited for the remainder of the fishing year. Because of the small hooks used in this recreational sanddab fishery, California Department of Fish and Game has predicted that the additional mortality of canary rockfish, lingcod, and California nearshore rockfish species would be near zero.

Limited Entry Trawl Trip Limits

Throughout 2003, differential trip limits, or trip limits that vary with gear type, have been in place for DTS (Dover sole, thornyheads, sablefish) species in the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat. The intent of the differential trip limits was to encourage fishing seaward of the trawl RCA using large footrope rather than shoreward of the trawl RCA using small footrope. However, because the eastern trawl RCA boundary is being extended to the shoreline for the remainder of there year, there will be no trawling opportunity shoreward of the trawl RCA and no need for differential trip limits.

Therefore, the previously scheduled DTS trip limits of **7,000 lb per 2 months** of sablefish; **4,500 lb per 2 months** of longspine thornyhead; **900 lb per 2 months** of shortspine thornyhead; and **30,000 lb per 2 months** of Dover sole will be available to vessels using all limited entry trawl gear types.

Visit the NMFS Northwest Region website for current groundfish management regulations and information.

<http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/1sustfsh/gdfsh01.h>

Rockfish Conservation Area Coordinates

The corrected 200 fathom RCA boundary modified to allowing fishing in petrale sole areas is as follows:

- (1) 48°14.75' N. lat., 125°41.73' W. long.;
- (2) 48°12.85' N. lat., 125°38.06' W. long.;
- (3) 48°11.52' N. lat., 125°39.45' W. long.;
- (4) 48°10.14' N. lat., 125°42.81' W. long.;
- (5) 48°08.96' N. lat., 125°42.08' W. long.;
- (6) 48°08.33' N. lat., 125°44.91' W. long.;
- (7) 48°07.19' N. lat., 125°45.87' W. long.;
- (8) 48°05.66' N. lat., 125°44.79' W. long.;
- (9) 48°05.91' N. lat., 125°42.16' W. long.;
- (10) 48°04.11' N. lat., 125°40.17' W. long.;
- (11) 48°04.07' N. lat., 125°36.96' W. long.;
- (12) 48°03.05' N. lat., 125°36.38' W. long.;
- (13) 48°01.98' N. lat., 125°37.41' W. long.;
- (14) 48°01.46' N. lat., 125°39.61' W. long.;
- (15) 47°57.00' N. lat., 125°37.00' W. long.;
- (16) 47°55.50' N. lat., 125°28.50' W. long.;
- (17) 47°57.88' N. lat., 125°25.61' W. long.;
- (18) 48°01.63' N. lat., 125°23.75' W. long.;
- (19) 48°02.21' N. lat., 125°22.43' W. long.;
- (20) 48°03.60' N. lat., 125°21.84' W. long.;
- (21) 48°03.98' N. lat., 125°20.65' W. long.;
- (22) 48°03.26' N. lat., 125°19.76' W. long.;
- (23) 48°01.49' N. lat., 125°18.80' W. long.;
- (24) 48°01.03' N. lat., 125°20.12' W. long.;
- (25) 48°00.04' N. lat., 125°20.26' W. long.;
- (26) 47°58.10' N. lat., 125°18.91' W. long.;
- (27) 47°58.17' N. lat., 125°17.50' W. long.;
- (28) 47°52.28' N. lat., 125°16.06' W. long.;
- (29) 47°51.92' N. lat., 125°13.89' W. long.;
- (30) 47°49.20' N. lat., 125°10.67' W. long.;
- (31) 47°48.69' N. lat., 125°06.50' W. long.;
- (32) 47°46.54' N. lat., 125°07.68' W. long.;
- (33) 47°47.24' N. lat., 125°05.38' W. long.;
- (34) 47°45.95' N. lat., 125°04.61' W. long.;
- (35) 47°44.58' N. lat., 125°07.12' W. long.;
- (36) 47°42.24' N. lat., 125°05.15' W. long.;
- (37) 47°38.54' N. lat., 125°06.76' W. long.;
- (38) 47°34.86' N. lat., 125°04.67' W. long.;
- (39) 47°30.75' N. lat., 124°57.52' W. long.;
- (40) 47°28.51' N. lat., 124°56.69' W. long.;
- (41) 47°29.15' N. lat., 124°54.10' W. long.;
- (42) 47°28.43' N. lat., 124°51.58' W. long.;
- (43) 47°24.13' N. lat., 124°47.51' W. long.;
- (44) 47°18.31' N. lat., 124°46.17' W. long.;
- (45) 47°19.57' N. lat., 124°51.01' W. long.;
- (46) 47°18.12' N. lat., 124°53.66' W. long.;
- (47) 47°17.59' N. lat., 124°52.94' W. long.;
- (48) 47°17.71' N. lat., 124°51.63' W. long.;
- (49) 47°16.90' N. lat., 124°51.23' W. long.;
- (50) 47°16.10' N. lat., 124°53.67' W. long.;
- (51) 47°14.24' N. lat., 124°53.02' W. long.;
- (52) 47°12.16' N. lat., 124°56.77' W. long.;
- (53) 47°13.35' N. lat., 124°58.70' W. long.;
- (54) 47°09.53' N. lat., 124°58.32' W. long.;
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- (56) 47°05.87' N. lat., 124°59.29' W. long.;
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- (58) 47°00.91' N. lat., 124°59.73' W. long.;
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- (60) 46°58.55' N. lat., 125°00.70' W. long.;
- (61) 46°55.57' N. lat., 125°01.61' W. long.;
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- (67) 46°33.20' N. lat., 124°30.64' W. long.;
- (68) 46°27.85' N. lat., 124°31.95' W. long.;
- (69) 46°18.16' N. lat., 124°39.39' W. long.;
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- (81) 45°49.68' N. lat., 124°42.37' W. long.;
- (82) 45°40.83' N. lat., 124°40.90' W. long.;
- (83) 45°34.88' N. lat., 124°32.58' W. long.;
- (84) 45°13.04' N. lat., 124°21.92' W. long.;
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- (181) 37°13.97' N. lat., 122°49.91' W. long.;
- (182) 37°09.98' N. lat., 122°45.61' W. long.;
- (183) 37°07.38' N. lat., 122°46.38' W. long.;
- (184) 37°00.64' N. lat., 122°37.70' W. long.;
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(236) 33°56.34' N. lat., 119°26.04' W. long.;
(237) 33°57.79' N. lat., 119°26.85' W. long.;
(238) 33°58.88' N. lat., 119°20.06' W. long.;
(239) 34°02.65' N. lat., 119°15.11' W. long.;
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(244) 33°37.14' N. lat., 118°18.39' W. long.;
(245) 33°35.51' N. lat., 118°18.03' W. long.;
(246) 33°30.68' N. lat., 118°10.35' W. long.;
(247) 33°32.49' N. lat., 117°51.85' W. long.;
(248) 32°58.87' N. lat., 117°20.36' W. long.; and
(249) 32°35.53' N. lat., 117°29.67' W. long.

The 150 fathom RCA boundary is as follows:

(1) 46°16.00' N. lat., 124°26.15' W. long.;
(2) 46°13.38' N. lat., 124°31.36' W. long.;
(3) 46°12.09' N. lat., 124°38.39' W. long.;
(4) 46°09.46' N. lat., 124°40.64' W. long.;
(5) 46°07.30' N. lat., 124°40.68' W. long.;
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(14) 45°09.69' N. lat., 124°20.45' W. long.;
(15) 44°56.25' N. lat., 124°27.03' W. long.;
(16) 44°44.47' N. lat., 124°37.85' W. long.;
(17) 44°31.81' N. lat., 124°39.60' W. long.;
(18) 44°31.48' N. lat., 124°43.30' W. long.;
(19) 44°19.70' N. lat., 124°50.88' W. long.;
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(21) 44°07.38' N. lat., 124°57.87' W. long.;
(22) 43°57.06' N. lat., 124°57.20' W. long.;
(23) 43°52.52' N. lat., 124°49.00' W. long.;
(24) 43°51.56' N. lat., 124°37.49' W. long.;
(25) 43°47.83' N. lat., 124°36.43' W. long.;
(26) 43°31.79' N. lat., 124°36.80' W. long.;
(27) 43°30.78' N. lat., 124°38.19' W. long.;
(28) 43°29.34' N. lat., 124°36.77' W. long.;
(29) 43°26.46' N. lat., 124°40.02' W. long.;
(30) 43°16.15' N. lat., 124°44.37' W. long.;
(31) 43°09.33' N. lat., 124°45.35' W. long.;
(32) 43°08.85' N. lat., 124°48.92' W. long.;
(33) 43°03.23' N. lat., 124°52.41' W. long.;
(34) 43°00.25' N. lat., 124°51.93' W. long.;
(35) 42°56.62' N. lat., 124°53.93' W. long.;
(36) 42°54.84' N. lat., 124°54.01' W. long.;
(37) 42°52.31' N. lat., 124°50.76' W. long.;

- (38) 42°47.78' N. lat., 124°47.27' W. long.;
- (39) 42°46.32' N. lat., 124°43.59' W. long.;
- (40) 42°41.63' N. lat., 124°44.07' W. long.;
- (41) 42°38.83' N. lat., 124°42.77' W. long.;
- (42) 42°35.37' N. lat., 124°43.22' W. long.;
- (43) 42°32.78' N. lat., 124°44.68' W. long.;
- (44) 42°32.19' N. lat., 124°42.40' W. long.;
- (45) 42°30.28' N. lat., 124°44.30' W. long.;
- (46) 42°28.16' N. lat., 124°48.38' W. long.;
- (47) 42°18.34' N. lat., 124°38.77' W. long.;
- (48) 42°13.65' N. lat., 124°36.82' W. long.;
- (49) 42°00.15' N. lat., 124°35.81' W. long.;
- (50) 41°47.79' N. lat., 124°29.52' W. long.;
- (51) 41°21.00' N. lat., 124°29.00' W. long.;
- (52) 41°11.00' N. lat., 124°23.00' W. long.;
- (53) 41°05.00' N. lat., 124°23.00' W. long.;
- (54) 40°54.00' N. lat., 124°26.00' W. long.;
- (55) 40°50.00' N. lat., 124°26.00' W. long.;
- (56) 40°44.51' N. lat., 124°30.83' W. long.;
- (57) 40°40.61' N. lat., 124°32.06' W. long.;
- (58) 40°37.36' N. lat., 124°29.41' W. long.;
- (59) 40°35.64' N. lat., 124°30.47' W. long.;
- (60) 40°37.43' N. lat., 124°37.10' W. long.;
- (61) 40°36.00' N. lat., 124°40.00' W. long.;
- (62) 40°31.59' N. lat., 124°40.72' W. long.;
- (63) 40°24.64' N. lat., 124°35.62' W. long.;
- (64) 40°23.00' N. lat., 124°32.00' W. long.;
- (65) 40°23.39' N. lat., 124°28.70' W. long.;
- (66) 40°22.28' N. lat., 124°25.25' W. long.;
- (67) 40°21.90' N. lat., 124°25.17' W. long.;
- (68) 40°22.00' N. lat., 124°28.00' W. long.;
- (69) 40°21.35' N. lat., 124°29.53' W. long.;
- (70) 40°19.75' N. lat., 124°28.98' W. long.;
- (71) 40°18.15' N. lat., 124°27.01' W. long.;
- (72) 40°17.45' N. lat., 124°25.49' W. long.;
- (73) 40°18.00' N. lat., 124°24.00' W. long.;
- (74) 40°16.00' N. lat., 124°26.00' W. long.;
- (75) 40°17.00' N. lat., 124°35.00' W. long.;
- (76) 40°16.00' N. lat., 124°36.00' W. long.;
- (77) 40°10.07' N. lat., 124°22.90' W. long.;
- (78) 40°07.00' N. lat., 124°19.00' W. long.;
- (79) 40°08.10' N. lat., 124°16.70' W. long.;
- (80) 40°05.90' N. lat., 124°17.77' W. long.;
- (81) 40°01.46' N. lat., 124°12.85' W. long.;
- (82) 40°04.32' N. lat., 124°10.33' W. long.;
- (83) 40°03.21' N. lat., 124°08.83' W. long.;
- (84) 40°01.33' N. lat., 124°08.70' W. long.;
- (85) 39°58.51' N. lat., 124°12.44' W. long.;
- (86) 39°55.73' N. lat., 124°07.49' W. long.;
- (87) 39°34.75' N. lat., 123°58.50' W. long.;
- (88) 39°03.07' N. lat., 123°57.81' W. long.;
- (89) 38°52.25' N. lat., 123°56.25' W. long.;
- (90) 38°41.42' N. lat., 123°46.75' W. long.;
- (91) 38°39.47' N. lat., 123°46.59' W. long.;
- (92) 38°35.25' N. lat., 123°42.00' W. long.;
- (93) 38°19.97' N. lat., 123°32.95' W. long.;
- (94) 38°14.43' N. lat., 123°25.56' W. long.;
- (95) 38°09.41' N. lat., 123°24.43' W. long.;
- (96) 38°10.10' N. lat., 123°27.20' W. long.;
- (97) 38°03.82' N. lat., 123°31.91' W. long.;
- (98) 38°00.91' N. lat., 123°30.32' W. long.;
- (99) 38°00.00' N. lat., 123°28.78' W. long.;
- (100) 37°59.73' N. lat., 123°29.85' W. long.;
- (101) 37°51.46' N. lat., 123°25.16' W. long.;
- (102) 37°44.06' N. lat., 123°11.44' W. long.;
- (103) 37°35.26' N. lat., 123°02.29' W. long.;
- (104) 37°14.00' N. lat., 122°50.00' W. long.;
- (105) 37°01.00' N. lat., 122°36.00' W. long.;
- (106) 36°58.07' N. lat., 122°28.35' W. long.;
- (107) 37°00.71' N. lat., 122°24.53' W. long.;
- (108) 36°57.50' N. lat., 122°24.98' W. long.;
- (109) 36°58.38' N. lat., 122°21.85' W. long.;
- (110) 36°55.85' N. lat., 122°21.95' W. long.;
- (111) 36°52.86' N. lat., 122°12.89' W. long.;
- (112) 36°48.71' N. lat., 122°09.28' W. long.;
- (113) 36°46.65' N. lat., 122°04.10' W. long.;
- (114) 36°51.00' N. lat., 121°58.00' W. long.;
- (115) 36°44.00' N. lat., 121°59.00' W. long.;
- (116) 36°38.00' N. lat., 122°02.00' W. long.;
- (117) 36°26.00' N. lat., 121°59.50' W. long.;
- (118) 36°22.00' N. lat., 122°01.00' W. long.;
- (119) 36°19.00' N. lat., 122°05.00' W. long.;
- (120) 36°14.00' N. lat., 121°58.00' W. long.;
- (121) 36°10.61' N. lat., 121°44.51' W. long.;
- (122) 35°50.53' N. lat., 121°29.93' W. long.;
- (123) 35°46.00' N. lat., 121°28.00' W. long.;
- (124) 35°38.94' N. lat., 121°23.16' W. long.;
- (125) 35°26.00' N. lat., 121°08.00' W. long.;
- (126) 35°07.42' N. lat., 120°57.08' W. long.;
- (127) 34°42.00' N. lat., 120°54.00' W. long.;
- (128) 34°29.00' N. lat., 120°44.00' W. long.;
- (129) 34°22.00' N. lat., 120°32.00' W. long.;
- (130) 34°21.00' N. lat., 120°21.00' W. long.;
- (131) 34°24.00' N. lat., 120°15.00' W. long.;
- (132) 34°22.11' N. lat., 119°56.63' W. long.;
- (133) 34°19.00' N. lat., 119°48.00' W. long.;
- (134) 34°15.00' N. lat., 119°48.00' W. long.;
- (135) 34°08.00' N. lat., 119°37.00' W. long.;
- (136) 34°07.00' N. lat., 120°11.00' W. long.;
- (137) 34°13.00' N. lat., 120°30.00' W. long.;

- (138) 34°09.00' N. lat., 120°38.00' W. long.;
- (139) 33°58.00' N. lat., 120°29.00' W. long.;
- (140) 33°51.00' N. lat., 120°09.00' W. long.;
- (141) 33°38.00' N. lat., 119°58.00' W. long.;
- (142) 33°38.00' N. lat., 119°50.00' W. long.;
- (143) 33°46.25' N. lat., 119°49.32' W. long.;
- (144) 33°53.82' N. lat., 119°53.42' W. long.;
- (145) 33°59.00' N. lat., 119°21.00' W. long.;
- (146) 34°02.00' N. lat., 119°13.00' W. long.;
- (147) 34°01.52' N. lat., 119°04.50' W. long.;
- (148) 33°58.83' N. lat., 119°03.76' W. long.;
- (149) 33°56.55' N. lat., 118°40.50' W. long.;
- (150) 33°51.00' N. lat., 118°38.00' W. long.;
- (151) 33°39.63' N. lat., 118°18.75' W. long.;
- (152) 33°35.44' N. lat., 118°17.57' W. long.;
- (153) 33°31.98' N. lat., 118°12.59' W. long.;
- (154) 33°33.25' N. lat., 117°54.15' W. long.;
- (155) 33°31.43' N. lat., 117°49.84' W. long.;
- (156) 33°16.53' N. lat., 117°36.13' W. long.;
- (157) 33°06.51' N. lat., 117°24.11' W. long.;
- (158) 32°54.11' N. lat., 117°21.45' W. long.;
- (159) 32°46.15' N. lat., 117°24.26' W. long.;
- (160) 32°41.97' N. lat., 117°22.10' W. long.;
- (161) 32°39.00' N. lat., 117°28.13' W. long.; and
- (162) 32°34.84' N. lat., 117°24.62' W. long.

A complete set up updates trip limit tables will follow.

Table 3 (North). 2003 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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	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{10/} (RCA): North of 40°10' N. lat.	75 fm - 200 fm	50 fm - 200 fm	shoreline - 200 fm (line modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds)

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/}	1,800 lb/ 2 months	
2 Pacific ocean perch	3,000 lb/ 2 months	
3 DTS complex		
4 Sablefish	9,000 lb/ 2 months, providing that only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period. If small footrope gear is used at any time in any area (North or South, shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then the sablefish limit is 3,000 lb/2 months.	7,000 lb/ 2 months
5 Longspine thornyhead	11,500 lb/ 2 months, providing that only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period. If small footrope gear is used at any time in any area (North or South, shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then the longspine thornyhead limit is 5,000 lb/ 2 months.	4,500 lb/ 2 months
6 Shortspine thornyhead	2,400 lb/ 2 months, providing that only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period. If small footrope gear is used at any time in any area (North or South, shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then the shortspine thornyheads limit is 1,000 lb/2 months.	900 lb/2 months

Table 3 (North). Continued

7	Dover sole	34,000 lb/ 2 months, providing that only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period. If small footrope gear is used at any time in any area (North or South, shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then the Dover sole limit is 12,500 lb/ 2 months.	30,000 lb/ 2 months
8	Flatfish		
9	All other flatfish ^{4/}	All other flatfish plus petrale & rex sole: 100,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 30,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole providing that only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period. If small footrope gear is used at any time in any area (North or South, inshore or offshore of RCA) during the entire limit period, then 20,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 10,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.	100,000 lb/ 2 months
10	Petrале sole		Not limited
11	Rex sole	Included in all other flatfish	
12	Arrowtooth flounder	200,000 lb/ 2 months providing that only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period. If small footrope gear is used at any time in any area (North or South, inshore or offshore of RCA) during the entire limit period, then 5,000 lb/2 months.	
13	Whiting^{5/}	Primary Season (only mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA)	10,000 lb/ trip
14	Other Fish^{9/}	Not limited	
15	Use of small footrope bottom trawl^{7/} or mid-water trawl is required for landing all of the following species:		
16	Minor shelf rockfish and widow rockfish^{3/}	1,000 lb/ month, no more than 200 lb/ month of which may be yelloweye rockfish	300 lb/ month
17	Widow rockfish		
18	mid-water trawl - permitted within the RCA	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	CLOSED ^{6/}
19	Canary rockfish	300 lb/ month	100 lb/ month

Table 3 (North). Continued

20	Yellowtail		
21	mid-water trawl - permitted within the RCA	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	CLOSED ^{6/}
22	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.	
23	Minor nearshore rockfish	300 lb/ month	
24	Lingcod^{8/}	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months

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 throughout the 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.(19)(e), that may vary seasonally.

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

Table 3 (South). 2003 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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	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{10/} (RCA):			
40°10' - 38° N. lat.	60 fm - 200 fm	60 fm - 200 fm	shoreline - 200 fm (line modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds)
38° - 34°27' N. lat.	60 fm - 200 fm	60 fm - 200 fm	
South of 34°27' N. lat.	100 fm - 200 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 200 fm around islands	100 fm - 200 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 200 fm around islands	shoreline - 200 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 200 fm around islands (line modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds)
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.	1,800 lb/ 2 months		
3 South of 38° N. lat.	30,000 lb/ 2 months		
4 Splitnose			
5 40°10' - 38° N. lat.	1,800 lb/ 2 months		
6 South of 38° N. lat.	30,000 lb/ 2 months		
7 DTS complex			
8 Sablefish	9,000 lb/ 2 months	7,000 lb/ 2 months	
9 Longspine thornyhead	11,500 lb/ 2 months	4,500 lb/ 2 months	
10 Shortspine thornyhead	2,400 lb/ 2 months	900 lb/ 2 months	
11 Dover sole	34,000 lb/ 2 months	30,000 lb/ 2 months	
12 Flatfish			
13 All other flatfish ^{4/}	All other flatfish plus petrale & rex sole: 70,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 20,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole		70,000 lb/ 2 months
14 Petrale sole			No limit
15 Rex sole	Included in all other flatfish		
16 Arrowtooth flounder	1,000 lb/ 2 months	No limit	
17 Whiting^{5/}	Primary Season (only mid-water trawl permitted within the RCA)		10,000 lb/ trip
18 Other Fish^{9/}	Not limited		

Table 3 (South). Continued

19	Use of small footrope bottom trawl^{7/} or mid-water trawl is required for landing all of the following species:		
20	Minor shelf rockfish, widow, and chilipepper rockfish^{3/}	300 lb/ month	
21	Widow rockfish		
22	mid-water trawl - permitted within the RCA	CLOSED ^{6/}	
23	Canary rockfish	300 lb/ month	100 lb/ month
24	Bocaccio	CLOSED ^{6/}	
25	Cowcod	CLOSED ^{6/}	
26	Minor nearshore rockfish	300 lb/ month	
27	Lingcod^{8/}	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months

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 throughout the 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.(19)(e), that may vary seasonally.

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

Table 4 (North). 2003 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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	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{8/} (RCA):			
North of 46°16' N. lat.	shoreline - 100 fm	shoreline - 200 fm (line modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds)	
46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	27 fm - 100 fm	shoreline - 150 fm	
1 Minor slope rockfish^{4/}	No more than 25% of the weight of sablefish landed/ trip		1,800 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 800 lb, not to exceed 3,200 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months	
4 Longspine thornyhead	9,000 lb/ 2 months		
5 Shortspine thornyhead	2,000 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 Cowcod	CLOSED ^{5/}		
16 Minor nearshore rockfish	4,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{6/}		
17 Lingcod^{7/}	400 lb/ month	CLOSED ^{5/}	
18 Other fish^{9/}	Not limited		

Table 4 (North). Continued

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 throughout the 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.(19)(e), 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). 2003 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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		JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{7/} (RCA):				
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		20 fm - 150 fm		shoreline - 150 fm
South of 34°27' N. lat.		20 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands) (See footnote 8 for description of Pt. Fermin/Newport South Jetty open area)	30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands)	shoreline - 150 fm
1 Minor slope rockfish^{4/}				
2 40°10' - 38° N. lat.		No more than 25% of weight of sablefish landed/ trip		1,800 lb/ 2 months
3 South of 38° N. lat.		30,000 lb/ 2 months		
4 Splitnose				
5 40°10' - 38° N. lat.		1,800 lb/ 2 months		
6 South of 38° N. lat.		20,000 lb/ 2 months		
7 Sablefish				
8 40°10' - 36° N. lat.		300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 800 lb, not to exceed 3,200 lb/ 2 months		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		9,000 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/}		250 lb/ 2 months	200 lb/ 2 months	100 lb/ 2 months
19 Canary rockfish		CLOSED ^{5/}		
20 Yelloweye rockfish		CLOSED ^{5/}		
21 Cowcod		CLOSED ^{5/}		
22 Bocaccio		CLOSED ^{5/}		

Table 4 (South). Continued

23	Minor nearshore rockfish			
24	Shallow nearshore	400 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months	200 lb/ 2 months
25	Deeper nearshore	500 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months	200 lb/ 2 months
26	California scorpionfish	800 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	
27	Lingcod^{6/}	400 lb/ month, when nearshore open		CLOSED ^{5/}
28	Other fish^{8/}	Not limited		

1/ "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.

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 throughout the 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.(19)(e) 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.

9/ During July-August, between a line drawn due south from Point Fermin (33° 42' 30" N. lat.; 118° 17' 30" W. long.) and a line drawn due west from the Newport South Jetty (33° 35' 37" N. lat.; 117° 52' 50" W. long.), vessels fishing for all federal groundfish species, except lingcod and all rockfish other than California scorpionfish, with hook&line and/or trap (or pot) gear may operate from shore to a seaward boundary line which approximates 50 fm.

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

Table 5 (North). 2003 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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		JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{8/} (RCA):				
North of 46°16' N. lat.		shoreline - 100 fm		shoreline - 200 fm (line modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds)
46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.		27 fm - 100 fm		shoreline - 150 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 800 lb, not to exceed 3,200 lb/ 2 months	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	Cowcod	CLOSED ^{5/}		
15	Minor nearshore rockfish	4,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{4/}		
16	Lingcod^{6/}	300 lb/ month	CLOSED ^{5/}	
17	Other Fish^{7/}	Not limited		
18	PINK SHRIMP EXEMPTED TRAWL (not subject to RCAs)			
19	North	<p>Effective April 1 - October 31, 2003: 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>		

Table 5 (North). Continued

20 PRAWN EXEMPTED TRAWL (not subject to RCAs)	
21	North Groundfish 300 lb/trip. Limits and closures 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 the overall groundfish "per trip" limit may not be multiplied by the number of days of the trip.
22 SALMON TROLL	
23	North Salmon trollers may retain and land up to 1lb 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.(19)(e), that may vary seasonally.

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

Table 5 (South). 2003 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**

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		JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{7/} (RCA):				
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		20 fm - 150 fm		shoreline - 150 fm
South of 34°27' N. lat.		20 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands) (See footnote 8 for description of Pt. Fermin/Newport South Jetty open area)	30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands)	shoreline - 150 fm
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 800 lb, not to exceed 3,200 lb/ 2 months	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 2,000 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	Petrable sole			
14	Rex sole			
15	All other flatfish^{3/}			
16	Whiting	300 lb/ month		
17	Minor shelf rockfish, widow and chilipepper rockfish^{2/}	250 lb/ 2 months	200 lb/ 2 months	100 lb/ 2 months
18	Canary rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}		
19	Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}		
20	Cowcod	CLOSED ^{5/}		
21	Bocaccio	CLOSED ^{5/}		
22	Minor nearshore rockfish			
23	Shallow nearshore	400 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months	200 lb/ 2 months
24	Deeper nearshore	500 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months	200 lb/ 2 months
25	California scorpionfish	800 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5/}	
26	Lingcod^{4/}	300 lb/ month, when nearshore open		CLOSED ^{5/}
27	Other Fish^{6/}	Not limited		

Table 5 (South). Continued

28 PINK SHRIMP EXEMPTED TRAWL GEAR (not subject to RCAs)		
29	South	<p>Effective April 1 - October 31, 2003: 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>
30 PRAWN AND, SOUTH OF 38°57'30" N. LAT., CALIFORNIA HALIBUT AND SEA CUCUMBER EXEMPTED TRAWL		
31 EXEMPTED TRAWL Rockfish Conservation Area^{7/} (RCA):		
32	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	60 fm - 200 fm
33	38° - 34°27' N. lat.	
34	South of 34°27' N. lat.	<p>shoreline - 200 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 200 fm around islands</p>
35		<p>shoreline - 200 fm (line modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds)</p> <p>shoreline - 200 fm (line modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds)</p> <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°57'30" 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 25).</p>

1/ "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.

2/ Yellowtail rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and POP 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/ The size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

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