The fee regulations, consequently, did not specifically exclude from fee payment and collection pink shrimp caught under the two Puget Sound shrimp licenses. The holders of the Puget Sound shrimp licenses did not vote in the groundfish program's fee referendum and NMFS did not include the ex-vessel value of pink shrimp landed under the Puget Sound licenses in the required section 212 formula both for referendum vote weighting and for establishing the reduction loan subamounts for whose repayment the reduction fishery and each of the feeshare fisheries were responsible.

The Puget Sound shrimp fisheries are not a fee-share fishery and section 212 does not authorize the payment and collection of fees on any shrimp, including pink shrimp, harvested under the Puget Sound shrimp licenses. Nevertheless, the fee regulations do not clearly exclude pink shrimp harvested under the Puget Sound shrimp licenses because NMFS was unaware of these licenses' existence until after adopting a final fee rule.

Fee collection and payment began on September 8, 2005, and this proposed rule is necessary to clarify that the feeshare fishery involving Washington pink shrimp includes only that portion of the Washington pink shrimp which is harvested by persons to whom Washington issued ocean pink shrimp licenses.

#### Classification

The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA (AA), has determined that this proposed rule is consistent with the Magnuson-Stevens Act and other applicable laws.

This proposed rule has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

NMFS has certified to the Small Business Administration, under Section 605(b) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, that this proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

There are currently six trawl fishing licenses in the Puget Sound within the Washington State shrimp fishery and 115 trawl fishing licenses total within the Washington State Ocean pink shrimp fishery according to the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. This regulation would apply to all 121 trawl fishing licenses issued in the Washington State shrimp fishery, although it will only directly affect the 6 Washington State Puget Sound shrimp license holders.

This proposed rule seeks to revise the regulations to expressly exclude the holders of the Puget Sound shrimp licenses from the groundfish program's fee collection system. The holders of the Puget Sound shrimp licenses did not vote in the groundfish program's fee referendum and NMFS did not include the ex-vessel value of pink shrimp landed under the Puget Sound licenses both for referendum vote weighting and for establishing the reduction loan subamounts for whose repayment the reduction fishery and each of the feeshare fisheries were responsible. The Puget Sound shrimp fisheries are not a fee-share fishery and the statute that created the program does not authorize the payment and collection of fees on any shrimp, including pink shrimp, harvested under the Puget Sound shrimp licenses.

The change to the regulations will have a de minimis impact on those remaining in the fishery because the total payments from the non-fee-share fisheries are minor. The total fee to be collected for any given year is calculated based on a formula using projected landings, the interest rate, and the amortization schedule, and it is calculated in advance for the entire year. In determining the annual fee, the contributions from holders of the Puget Sound shrimp licenses were not considered in the calculation. The collection of fees from holders of the Puget Sound shrimp licenses would result in the repayment of fees above what was expected for this year. As a result of the additional revenue, the buyback loan would be repaid slightly earlier than expected and would result in a slight decrease in the overall amount of interest accrued on the loan. Removal of the holders of the Puget Sound shrimp licenses would only slightly negatively impact the remaining pink shrimp licence holders because the contributions from the non-fee-share fisheries are small compared to the overall reduction loan amount. The contributions from the holders of Puget Sound shrimp licences represents only 5 percent of the total reduction loan amount. Although the impact of this rule is small, this proposed rule is necessary to ensure that holders of the Puget Sound shrimp licenses are excluded from the requirement to pay fees on pink shrimp landings. These six license holders would be positively affected by this proposed rule through their exemption from a fee they were not intended to have to pay.

# List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 600

Fisheries, Fishing capacity reduction, Fishing permits, Fishing vessels. Dated: November 23, 2005. John Oliver,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 600 is proposed to be amended as follows:

### PART 600—MAGNUSON-STEVENS ACT PROVISIONS

1. The authority citation for part 600 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

## Subpart M—Specific Fishery or Program Fishing Capacity Reduction Regulations

2. In § 600.1102, the definition of "Fee-share fishery" in paragraph (b) is revised, and paragraphs (d)(2)(vi) and (i)(1)(vi) are revised to read as follows:

## §600.1102 Pacific Coast groundfish fee.

\* (b) \* \* \*

Fee-share fishery means each of the fisheries for coastal Dungeness crab and pink shrimp in each of the states of California and Oregon and the fishery for coastal Dungeness crab and ocean pink shrimp in the State of Washington.

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- (2) \* \* \*

(vi) Washington ocean pink shrimp fee-share fishery, \$259,400.

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- (1) \* \* \* (1) \* \* \*

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(vi) All fee collections from the Washington ocean pink shrimp feeshare fishery shall be accounted for in a Washington ocean shrimp fee-share fishery subaccount, and

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 051116304-5304-01; I.D. 110805A]

#### RIN 0648-AT92

## Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Total Allowable Catch Amount for "Other Species" in the Groundfish Fisheries of the Gulf of Alaska

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS issues a proposed rule that would implement Amendment 69 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP). Amendment 69, if approved, would amend the manner in which the total allowable catch (TAC) for the "other species" complex is annually determined in the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). The FMP amendment would allow the TAC amount for the "other species" complex to be set less than or equal to 5 percent of the sum of groundfish targets species in the GOA. This proposed rule would revise the maximum retainable amount (MRA) of "other species" in the directed arrowtooth flounder fishery from 0 to 20 percent. This action would allow conservation and management of species within the "other species" category and is intended to promote the goals and objectives of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), the FMP, and other applicable laws.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted by January 13, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Sue Salveson, Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, Attn: Lori Durall. Comments may be submitted by:

• E-mail: 0648–AT92–PR-GOA69@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line the following document identifier: GOA 69 PR. E-mail comments, with or without attachments, are limited to 5 megabytes.

• Webform at the Federal eRulemaking Portal: *www.regulations.gov*. Follow the instructions at that site for submitting comments.

• Mail: P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802

• Hand delivery: 709 West 9th Street, Room 420A, Juneau, AK.

• Fax: 907-586-7557.

Copies of Amendment 69 and the Environmental Assessment/Regulatory Impact Review/Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (EA/RIR/IRFA) prepared for the amendment may be obtained from the same address or from the NMFS Alaska Region website at *www.fakr.noaa.gov.* The FMP is available from *www.fakr.noaa.gov/ npfmc/fmp/goa/goa.htm.*  **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tom Pearson, 907–481–1780 or *tom.pearson@noaa.gov.* 

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The groundfish fisheries in the exclusive economic zone of the GOA are managed under the FMP. The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) prepared the FMP under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801, *et seq.* Regulations implementing the FMP appear at 50 CFR part 679. General regulations governing U.S. fisheries also appear at 50 CFR part 600.

The Council has submitted Amendment 69 for review by the Secretary of Commerce, and a Notice of Availability of the FMP amendment was published in the **Federal Register** on November 16, 2005 (FR citation), with comments on the FMP amendment invited through January 17, 2006.

Comments may address the FMP amendment, the proposed rule, or both, but must be received by January 17, 2006, to be considered in the approval/ disapproval decision on the FMP amendment. All comments received by that time, whether specifically directed to the FMP amendment or to the proposed rule, will be considered in the approval/disapproval decision on the FMP amendment.

## Background

Designation and management of the "other species" complex have evolved through a series of amendments to the GOA FMP. The following section provides an overview of how the complex has been managed historically under the FMP, and the amendments that have modified the complex and its management.

The original FMP, implemented in 1978, identified three separate species categories: (1) prohibited species; (2) specific species or species complexes; and (3) "other species." Under the original FMP, "other species" had a Maximum Sustained Yield/Optimum Yield (MSY/OY) of 16,200 mt based upon historic foreign catch.

Amendment 5 to the FMP removed grenadiers from the "other species" complex and established them as their own category with a separate MSY/OY of 13,200 mt based upon the recorded average grenadier catch from 1967– 1979. Grenadiers were removed from the "other species" complex due to concerns that catches of grenadiers (specifically unforeseen incidental catches in the hook-and-line sablefish fishery) would exceed the MSY/OY for the "other species" complex and close directed fishing for target species. Because the population of grenadiers was not included in the development of the OY for "other species", the MSY/OY for the "other species" complex remained unchanged following the removal of grenadiers.

Amendment 8 to the FMP was implemented in 1980 (45 FR 73486, November 5, 1980). Under this amendment, the grenadiers category was renamed non-specified species. All species caught that were not classified as target, prohibited or "other species" were reported to the non-specified category. Amendment 8 was intended to alleviate operational problems from fishermen reporting non-specified species in the "other species" complex. "Other species" were defined as species that have "only slight economic value and are not generally targeted upon, but which are either significant components of the ecosystem or have economic potential." The OY for the "other species'' complex was established as 5 percent of the OYs for all target species. The "other species" complex included sculpins, sharks, skates, eulachon, smelts, capelin, and octopi. Squids were managed as a separate target fishery with a separate MSY and OY. Under Amendment 8, the OY for the "other species" complex was modified to be managed Gulf-wide, rather than allocated by management area.

Amendment 14 to the FMP was implemented November 18, 1985 (50 FR 43193). This amendment set the OY for the "other species" complex to 22,460 mt. Two years later, the FMP was amended by Amendment 15 (52 FR 7868, March 13, 1987 such that the TAC calculation for the "other species" complex was equal to 5 percent of the total TACs for all GOA target groundfish species. This percentage was consistent with previous approaches for setting OY for the "other species" complex, and was determined to be ample to provide for the anticipated incidental catch of those species.

Amendment 16 moved squids into the "other species" complex from the target species category (53 FR 7756, March 10, 1988). Atka mackerel was combined into the "other species" complex due to low abundance, and the absence of a directed fishery for several years. High landings in 1992 and a directed fishery in 1993 demonstrated Atka mackerel was a target species. Amendment 31 moved Atka mackerel from the "other species" complex and established it as a target species (58 FR 54553, October 22, 1993).

Amendment 39 defined a forage fish category in the FMP (63 FR 13798, March 23, 1998). Important prey species were included in this category. Regulations promulgated under Amendment 39 prohibited directed fishing and commercial processing of forage fish. Retention, sale, barter, trade, or other commercial exchange were limited. Eulachon, capelin, and smelts were moved from the "other species" complex to the forage fish category. The full list of species included in the forage fish category is in the FMP (see **ADDRESSES**).

In 2003, as a skate directed fishery expanded, conservation concerns developed. As long as skates remained a part of the "other species" complex, NMFS could not manage skates as a distinct target category. Skate catch was limited only by the "other species" complex TAC minus catch of the remaining species in the complex. In 2004, Amendment 63 to the GOA FMP removed skates from the "other species" complex and placed them in a target category (69 FR 26313, May 12, 2004). Currently, overfishing levels, acceptable biological catches, and TACs are specified for big skates, longnose skates, and the remaining skates in the Bathyraja sp. (or other skate) complex. This amendment allowed for an appropriate sized directed fishery for skates based on the best available information on the stock, ensuring skate sustainability.

The "other species" complex currently contains the following species groups: squids, sculpins, sharks, and octopi. The "other species" complex is open to directed fishing up to the TAC level for the complex, after allowing for incidental catch needs in other groundfish fisheries. The current requirement to set the "other species" complex TAC to 5 percent of the combined groundfish TACs could present conservation issues. Removing species from the "other species" complex has two effects. First, the number of target categories are increased. More target categories may increase the combined TAC in the GOA. If the combined TAC is larger, the TAC for the "other species" complex will be larger because the "other species" TAC is equal to exactly 5 percent of the combined TAC. Second, the number of species in the "other species" complex is reduced. Fewer species in the complex and the larger TAC increase the chance that one or more species groups in the complex may experience excessive harvest, including up to the entire TAC for the "other species" complex. The current process for calculating the "other species" TAC provides no flexibility. NMFS cannot establish the TAC for the "other species" complex at an amount lower than 5 percent, if the best available

information indicates a lower amount is the most prudent action.

Retention of squids has increased by 13 times between 2003 and 2005. During 2005, shoreside processors were offering increased prices for spiny dogfish sharks. As indicated by skates, markets can develop quickly for species previously thought of as having little value. In order to quickly respond to developing fisheries in the "other species" complex, NMFS would need the flexibility to establish the "other species" complex TAC at a value less than 5 percent of the combined GOA species TACs. Setting the "other species" complex TAC to less than 5 percent of the combined GOA species TACs could prevent catch of one or more groups in the complex from disproportionately dominating the entire "other species" complex catch. NMFS would be able to allow for a developing fishery on a group in the "other species" complex while limiting the potential for excessive catch. The increased incidental catch of squids and the potential developing market for spiny dogfish sharks indicate that this proposed action is necessary and timely to allow for the "other species" complex TAC to be set at a level appropriate for sustainable harvest of sharks, squids, sculpins, and octopi groups.

Amendment 69 would allow for sustainable management of any fishery targeting one or more species groups within the "other species" complex. As part of the annual groundfish harvest specifications process, Amendment 69 to the FMP would allow a TAC amount for "other species" to be set less than or equal to 5 percent of the sum of TACs of the target species in the GOA. The "other species" complex TAC could be set at an amount estimated to be sufficient to meet the annual incidental catch needs in other groundfish fisheries and could allow for directed fishing for "other species" to occur at sustainable levels. It is not necessary to amend existing regulations to implement the change in the "other species" complex TAC calculation. This calculation is described only in the FMP text and is not specified in the harvest specifications regulations at § 679.20. Because the "other species" TAC calculation is specified only in the FMP, no regulatory amendment is required to change the method of calculating the "other species" TAC. However, it is necessary to amend the harvest specification regulations in order to ensure conservation and management of "other species" incidental catch in groundfish fisheries, as described below.

#### **Proposed Regulatory Amendment**

To manage the incidental harvest of the "other species" complex with the implementation of Amendment 69, this proposed action would revise Table 10 of 50 CFR part 679 to raise the MRA for the "other species" complex from 0 to 20 percent in the arrowtooth flounder fishery in the GOA. This revision is necessary to properly manage the retention of "other species" in the arrowtooth flounder fishery and to potentially reduce the amount of discards of fish in the "other species" complex.

This action is intended to meet the conservation objectives of the Magnuson-Stevens Act to reduce the potential for overfishing the species groups in the "other species" complex and to efficiently use fishery resources by reducing potential discards. This action would be an interim step towards the Council's development of a more comprehensive approach towards the management of "other species."

## Classification

NMFS has not yet determined whether the amendment that this proposed rule would implement is consistent with the national standards of the Magnuson-Stevens Act and other applicable laws. In making that determination, NMFS will take into account the data, views, and comments received during the comment period.

This proposed rule has been determined to be not significant for the purposes of Executive Order 12866.

NMFS prepared an IRFA which describes any adverse impacts this proposed rule, if adopted, would have on directly regulated small entities. Because this action is closely linked to the annual harvest specifications, the EA/RIR/IRFA (see **ADDRESSES**) prepared for this action also analyzes the action to establish annual harvest specifications for the "other species" complex in the GOA. The IRFA analyses two FMP alternatives to revise the manner in which the annual TAC for the "other species" in the GOA is established, along with the status quo or no action alternative. In addition, two suboptions to revise the MRAs for "other species" in the groundfish fisheries in the GOA are analyzed along with the status quo, or no action suboption. A summary of the IRFA for this action follows:

The proposed action for Amendment 69 revises the manner in which the annual TAC for the "other species" complex in the GOA is established and raises the MRA for "other species" from 0 to 20 percent in the arrowtooth

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flounder fishery. As part of its annual groundfish harvest specification process, the Council would recommend a TAC amount for the "other species" complex at less than or equal to 5 percent of the sum of the groundfish TAC amounts. The objective of this action is to give the Council greater flexibility in recommending a TAC amount for "other species" in order to better protect individual species in the "other species" complex from overfishing and to make a sustainable fishery for the "other species" complex more likely.

The legal basis for this action is found in the Magnuson-Stevens Act and in the GOA groundfish FMP promulgated pursuant to that act.

The IRFA for this action ascertained that in 2003, 803 small catcher vessels and 13 small catcher processors might be directly regulated by this action. Most of these (655 catcher vessels and 9 small catcher processors) were hookand-line vessels. In addition, 137 catcher vessels and 1 catcher processor used pot gear, and 93 small catcher vessels and 3 small catcher processors used trawl gear. All these vessels are considered "small entities" as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act. In 2003, these vessels had average revenues of \$190,000 from the federally managed groundfish fisheries. Average revenues were \$170,000 for catcher vessels and \$1,530,000 for catcher processors.

This action would allow the TAC for "other species" to be set at less than 5 percent of the sum of other groundfish TACs, thereby limiting potential future harvests of "other species" and gross revenues from these harvests in the short run. In the long run, however, the biomass of "other species" would be given additional protection. Actual impacts to small entities would depend on the actual TAC amount recommended for "other species" by the Council and approved by NMFS. These impacts would be assessed in the IRFA for the TAC specification action.

Nothing in the proposed action would result in changes in reporting or recordkeeping requirements.

The analysis did not reveal any Federal rules that duplicate, overlap, or conflict with the proposed action.

The IRFA evaluated a no-action alternative, the preferred alternative and an alternative that would allow for only incidental catch of "other species." Under the no-action alternative, the TAC for the "other species" complex would remain at 5 percent of the sum of other groundfish TACs. The "other species" complex 2006 TAC is 13,525 mt (70 FR 8958, February 24, 2005). If this amount were harvested by targeting a single species in the "other species" complex it could drive down that species biomass and reduce its reproductive potential. While revenues from the fishery would be higher in the short run, they would be lower in the longer run. Thus, while this alternative may have imposed fewer short run restrictions on small fishing operations, it did not meet the objectives of providing protection to individual species within the "other species" complex in the GOA and thereby protecting the future of a sustainable

fishery. The incidental catch only alternative would not allow the Council to provide for a directed fishery for "other species." This alternative would prevent the Council's use of the best available information in determining the appropriate management for "other species." For example, if the best available information indicated that a directed fishery for "other species" could occur without harming its future sustainability, then achieving its optimum yield would be prevented by this alternative. The preferred alternative, however, would allow the Council to decide whether to allow for a target fishery or for only incidental catch based on the latest stock assessment information.

## List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 679

Alaska, Fisheries, Recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

Dated: November 22, 2005.

#### William T. Hogarth,

Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

For reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 679 is proposed to be amended as follows:

## PART 679—FISHERIES OF THE EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE OFF ALASKA

1. The authority citation for part 679 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 773 *et seq.*; 1540(f); 1801 et seq.; 1851 note; 3631 et seq.

2. Table 10 to part 679 is revised to read as follows:

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		Pollock	Pacific	DW	Rex	Flathead	SW	Arrow	Sablefish	Aggregated	SR/RE	DSR	Atka	Aggregated	Skates <sup>(11)</sup>	Other
			cod	flat	sole	sole	flat	tooth		rockfish <sup>(8)</sup>	ERA <sup>(1)</sup>	SEO	mackerel	forage fish		species
Code	Species			(2)			(2)					(C/Ps		(10)		(2)
												only): (6)				
110	Pacific cod	20	na <sup>9</sup>	20	20	20	20	35	-	s	(1)	10	20	2	20	20
121	Arrowtooth	5	5	0	0	0	0	na9	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	20
122	Flathead sole	20	20	20	20	na <sup>9</sup>	20	35	7	15	7	-	20	2	20	20
125	Rex sole	20	20	20	na°	20	20	35	7	15	7	-	20	2	20	20
136	Northern rockfish	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	7	15	7	1	20	5	20	20
141	Pacific ocean perch	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	7	15	7	1	20	2	20	20
143	Thornyhead	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	7	15	7	1	20	2	20	20
152/ 151	Shortraker/ rougheye <sup>(1)</sup>	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	7	15	na <sup>9</sup>	1	20	2	20	20
193	Atka mackerel	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	-	Ś	(1)	10	na <sup>9</sup>	2	20	20
270	Pollock	na°	20	20	20	20	20	35		5	(1)	10	20	2	20	20
710	Sablefīsh	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	na°	15	7		20	2	20	20
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Flatfísh, water <sup>(</sup>	Flatfîsh, shallow water <sup>(3)</sup>	20	20	20	20	20	na°	35	-	5	(1)	10	20	2	20	20
Rockfisł	Rockfīsh, other <sup>(4)</sup>	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	7	15	7	-	20	2	20	20
Rockfisł	Rockfish, pelagic <sup>(s)</sup>	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	7	15	7		20	2	20	20
Rockfisł	Rockfish, DSR-SEO <sup>(6)</sup>	20	20	20	20	20	20	35	7	15	7	na9	20	2	20	20

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), see § 679.2	Atka	mackerel				20	20	20
s in the SEC	DSR	SEO	(C/Ps	only):	(9)	10	10	10
cher vessels	SR/RE	ERA <sup>(1)</sup>				(1)	(1)	(1)
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ICH SPE	Arrow	tooth				35	35	35
AL CAT	SW	flat	(2)			20	20	20
<b>NCIDENT</b>	Flathead	sole				20	20	20
	Rcx	sole				20	20	20
	DW	flat	(2)			20	20	20
	Pacific	cod				20	20	20
	Pollock				_	20	20	20
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No	Notes to Table 10 to Part 679	to Part 679				
	Shortraker/rou	Shortraker/rougheye rockfish				
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			shortraker rockfish (152)			
			rougheye rockfish (151)			
	51	SR/RE ERA	shortraker/rougheye rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area.	Eastern Regulatory Ar	ea.	
	Where numeri	ical percentage	Where numerical percentage is not indicated, the retainable percentage of SR/RE is included under Aggregated Rockfish	tage of SR/RE is incluc	led under Agg	regated Rockfish
2	Deep-water flatfish	atfish	Dover sole, Greenland turbot, and deep-sea sole	leep-sea sole		
ю	Shallow water flatfish	· flatfish	Flatfish not including deep water flatfish, flathead sole, rex sole, or arrowtooth flounder	atfish, flathead sole, rey	sole, or arro	wtooth flounder
4	Other rockfish	-	Western Regulatory Area	means slop	e rockfish an	means slope rockfish and demersal shelf rockfish
			Central Regulatory Area			
			West Yakutat District			
			Southeast Outside District	means slope rockfish	e rockfish	
				Slope	Slope rockfish	
			<u>S</u> . <u>aurora</u> (aurora)	S. variegatus (harlequin)	tin)	<u>S</u> . <u>brevispinis</u> (silvergrey)
			S. melanostomus (blackgill)	<u>S</u> . <u>wilsoni</u> (pygmy)		S. diploproa (splitnose)
			S. paucispinis (bocaccio)	<u>S</u> . <u>babcocki</u> (redbanded)	ed)	<u>S. saxicola</u> (stripetail)
			<u>S. goodei</u> (chilipepper)	S. proriger (redstripe)		S. miniatus (vermilion)
			S. crameri (darkblotch)	S. zacentrus (sharpchin)	in)	S. reedi (yellowmouth)
			S. elongatus (greenstriped)	S. jordani (shortbelly)		
			In the Eastern GOA only, Slope rockfish also includes <u>S</u> . polyspinous. (Northern)	ckfīsh also includes <u>S</u> .	polyspinous.	Northern)
5	Pelagic shelf rockfish	ockfish	<u>S. ciliatus</u> (dusky)	<u>S</u> . entomelas (widow)		S. <u>flavidus</u> (yellowtail)
9	Demersal shelf	Į	<u>S. pinniger</u> (canary)	S. maliger (quillback)		S. ruberrimus (yelloweye)
	rockfish (DSR)	(	<u>S</u> . <u>nebulosus</u> (china)	S. <u>helvomaculatus</u> (rosethorn)	osethorn)	

Not	Notes to Table 10 to Part 679				
		S. caurinus (copper)	S. nigrocinctus (tiger)		
		DSR-SEO = Demersal shelf rockfish in the Southeast Outside District The operator of a catcher vessel that is required to have a Federal fisheries permit, or that harvests IFQ halibut with hook and line or jig gear, must retain and land all DSR that is caught while fishing for groundfish or IFQ halibut in the SEO. Limits on sale and requirements for disposal of DSR are set out at § 679.20 (j).	= Demersal shelf rockfish in the Southeast Outside District r of a catcher vessel that is required to have a Federal fisheries perr st retain and land all DSR that is caught while fishing for groundfis s for disposal of DSR are set out at § 679.20 (j).	mit, or that harvests IFQ hal sh or IFQ halibut in the SEC	ibut with hook and line or O. Limits on sale and
7	Other species	sculpins	octopus	squid	sharks
~	Aggregated rockfish	means rockfish of the genera <u>Sebastes</u> and <u>Sebastolobus</u> defined at § 679.2 except in:	s and <u>Sebastolobus</u> defined at § 67	79.2 except in:	
		Southeast Outside District (SEO)	where DSR is a separate	where DSR is a separate category for those species marked with a	ies marked with a
			numerical percentage		
		Eastern Regulatory Area (ERA)	where SR/RE is a separ-	where SR/RE is a separate category for those species marked with a	scies marked with a
			numerical percentage		
6	N/A	not applicable			
10	Aggregated forage fish (all :	Aggregated forage fish (all species of the following families)			
	Bristlemouths,	Bristlemouths, lightfishes, and anglemouths (family <u>Gonostomatidae</u> )	nostomatidae)		209
	Capelin smelt	Capelin smelt (family <u>Osmeridae</u> )			516
TP refer the	Deep-sea smel	Deep-sea smelts (family <u>Bathylagidae</u> )			773
	Eulachon smel	Eulachon smelt (family <u>Osmeridae</u> )			511
	Gunnels (family <u>Pholidae</u> )	ly <u>Pholidae</u> )			207
	Krill (order Euphausiacea)	iphausiacea)			800
	Laternfishes (t	Laternfishes (family <u>Myctophidae</u> )			772
	Pacific herring	Pacific herring (family <u>Clupeidae</u> )			235
	Pacific Sand fi	Pacific Sand fish (family <u>Trichodontidae</u> )			206
	Pacific Sand 1	Pacific Sand lance (family <u>Ammodytidae</u> )			774
	Pricklebacks,	Pricklebacks, war-bonnets, eelblennys, cockscombs and Shannys (family Stichaeidae)	l Shannys (family <u>Stichaeidae</u> )		208

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