

**ROCKFISH PROGRAM CENTRAL GULF LIMITED ACCESS FISHERY - 2008**

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**CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA, LIMITED ACCESS, CPs**

Northern rockfish	1-Jul	Open	Reg	
	25-Jul	Bycatch	TAC	#08-81
Pelagic shelf rockfish	1-Jul	Open	Reg	
	28-Jul	Bycatch	TAC	#08-82
Pacific ocean perch	1-Jul	Open	Reg	
	5-Jul	Bycatch	TAC	#08-70

**CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA, LIMITED ACCESS, CVs**

Northern rockfish	1-Jul	Bycatch	TAC
Pelagic shelf rockfish	1-Jul	Bycatch	TAC
Pacific ocean perch	1-Jul	Bycatch	TAC

**Gulf of Alaska notes:**

- (1) Areas around Steller sea lion rookeries and certain walrus sites closed. 679.22
- (2) Trawl gear in the BSAI and GOA is closed from January 1, until noon on January 20, 679.23
- (3) Use of any gear other than nontrawl gear is prohibited at all times in Southeast Outside District, Figure 3. 679.22(b)(4)
- (4) Chiniak Gully Research Area (679.22(b)(3)) closure for federally permitted vessels using trawl gear from August 1 through September 20 has been rescinded.
- (5) Sitka Pinnacles Marine Reserve. No vessel required to have a Federal fisheries permit may fish for groundfish or anchor in the Sitka Pinnacles Marine Reserve. (679.22(b)(5) and Figure 18).
- (6) Kodiak Island, trawl other than pelagic trawl see closures at 679.22(b)(1).
- (7) Cook Inlet. No person may use a non-pelagic trawl in waters of the EEZ of Cook Inlet north of a line from Cape Douglas to Point Adam. 679.22(b)(7)

**Notes:**

STATUS refers to all gear and reporting areas for each fishery unless otherwise noted.

Open = Directed fishery open as noted. Defined at 50 CFR 679.20(e) and (f).

Bycatch = Directed fishery closed. Defined at 50 CFR 679.20(e) and (f).

PSC = Species must be treated in the same manner as a prohibited species. Defined at 50 CFR 679.21(b).

Closed = as noted

Reg = Regulations

Spec = Groundfish Harvest Specifications

TAC = Total allowable catch

HAL = Halibut

RKC= Red King Crab

All openings and closures at noon, Alaska local time, except on January 1 and December 31 unless stated otherwise.

Status quo applies for the rest of the groundfish fisheries.

Please refer to the trawl Status of Fisheries tables for opening and closure information for thornyhead rockfish, sablefish, Pacific cod, shortraker rockfish, roughey rockfish, and halibut in the Central Gulf of Alaska.

For species group definitions please refer to the footnotes in Table 1 of the harvest specifications at GOA

[http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/specs08\\_09/GOAtable1.pdf](http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/specs08_09/GOAtable1.pdf)

