

**ROCKFISH PROGRAM JULY SIDEBOARD LIMITS - 2008**

Applies to vessels subject to sideboard limits under the Rockfish Pilot Program

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Sector or Area	Fishery	Effective date	Status	Bulletin
<b><u>All Catcher Processor Sectors</u></b>				
(when not fishing under a CQ permit or rockfish limited access)	Shallow-water limit, Halibut PSC	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing for shallow-water flatfish and flathead sole.	#08-66
	Deep-water limit, Halibut PSC	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and open to directed fishing	
<b><u>Catcher Processor Limited Access</u></b>				
<b>WESTERN GULF OF ALASKA</b>				
	Northern rockfish	7/1 to 7/25	Sideboard in effect and open for directed fishing	#08-81
	Pacific ocean perch	7/1 to 7/14	Sideboard in effect and open for directed fishing	
		7/14 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-74
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	7/1 to 7/28	Sideboard in effect and open for directed fishing	#08-82
<b>WEST YAKUTAT</b>				
	Pacific ocean perch	7/1 to 7/17	Sideboard in effect and open for directed fishing	
		7/17 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-77
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	7/1 to 7/17	Sideboard in effect and open for directed fishing	
		7/17 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-76
<b>ENTIRE GULF OF ALASKA</b>				
	Any groundfish except rockfish limited access or IFQ sablefish	7/1	Sideboard in effect and closed for directed fishing	
<b>ENTIRE BERING SEA ALEUTIAN ISLANDS</b>				
	And groundfish except IFQ sablefish or pollock	7/1 until 90% Central POP allocated to the CP rockfish limited access has been caught		
<b><u>Catcher Processor Cooperatives</u></b>				
<b>BERING SEA AND ALEUTIAN ISLANDS</b>				
<b>ENTIRE GULF OF ALASKA</b>				
	Any groundfish except IFQ sablefish or pollock	7/1 to 7/14	Sideboard in effect and closed for directed fishing	
	Any groundfish except IFQ sablefish or CQ fishery	See regulations at 50 CFR 679.82(f)(4)		
	Deep-water limit	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed for directed fishing for deep-water flatfish, rex sole, and arrowtooth flounder.	#08-64
<b><u>Catcher Processor Opt Out</u></b>				
<b>CENTRAL</b>				
	Northern rockfish	7/1 to 12/31	Closed to directed fishing	
	Pacific ocean perch	7/1 to 12/31	Closed to directed fishing	
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	7/1 to 12/31	Closed to directed fishing	
<b>ENTIRE GULF OF ALASKA</b>				
	Any groundfish fishery except IFQ sablefish	7/1 to 7/14	Closed to directed fishing if that vessel did not participate according to 50 CFR 679.82(h)(4)	
<b><u>Catcher Vessels</u> - sideboards apply to cooperative and limited access fisheries during the month of July</b>				
<b>BERING SEA AND ALEUTIAN ISLANDS</b>				
	Pacific cod	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
	Alaska plaice	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
	Arrowtooth flounder	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
	Flathead sole	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
	Other flatfish	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
	Pacific ocean perch	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
	Rock sole	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
	Yellowfin sole	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	
<b>WESTERN GULF OF ALASKA</b>				
	Northern rockfish	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-48
	Pacific ocean perch	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-48

<b>WEST YAKUTAT</b>	Pelagic shelf rockfish	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-48
	Pacific ocean perch	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-48
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing	#08-48
<b>ENTIRE GULF OF ALASKA</b> (when not fishing under a CQ permit or rockfish limited access)	Shallow-water limit, Halibut PSC	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect	
	Deep-water limit, Halibut PSC	7/1 to 7/31	Sideboard in effect and closed to directed fishing for deep-water flatfish, rex sole, and arrowtooth flounder.	#08-65

**Gulf of Alaska notes:**

- (1) Areas around Steller sea lion rookeries and certain walrus sites closed. 679.22
- (2) Trawling in the BSAI and GOA is closed from January 1 until noon, 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, trawls other than pelagic trawls 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)

**Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands notes:**

- (8) Walrus protection areas are closed from April 1 through September 30. 679.22(a)(4)
- (9) Steller sea lion protection areas: 679.22(a)(7) and (8) and Tables 4, 5, 6, 12
- (10) Retention of sablefish by vessels using fixed gear not possessing IFQ quota share is prohibited.
- (11) Directed fishing for arrowtooth flounder and Greenland turbot in the BSAI is open to authorized gear types May 1 through December 31, subject to other regulations. 679.23(e)(1)
- (12) Bogoslof exemption area 679.22(a)(7)

**Closure Areas**

512	closed to trawl gear, 50 CFR 679.22(a)(1)
516	closed to trawl gear March 15 through June 15, 679.22(a)(2)
Herring Savings Area	679.21(e)(7)(vi)
Chinook Salmon Savings Area	679.21(e)(1)(vii) and (e)(7)(viii)
Chum Salmon Savings Area	closed to trawl gear August 1 through August 31, 679.21(e)(7)(vii) and 679.22(a)(10)
Pribilof Islands Area Habitat Conservation Zone	closed to trawl gear, 679.22(a)(6)
Red King Crab Savings Area	closed nonpelagic trawl gear, 679.22(a)(3)
Nearshore Bristol Bay Trawl Closure Area	closed trawl gear except April 1 to June 15 679.22(a)(9)
C. opilio Crab Bycatch Limitation Zone	679.21(e)(7)(iv)
Walrus Protection Areas	closed April 1 through September 30, 679.22(a)(4)
Steller sea lion protection areas	679.22(a)(7) and (8) and Tables 4, 5, 6, 12
Steller sea lion conservation area (SCA)	679.22(a)(7)(vii)
Cape Sarichef Research Restriction Area	closed non jig gear March 15 through March 31, 679.22(a)(11)
Trawl Gear Closed in BSAI From 1/1 to 1/20	679.22(c)

**GOA/BSAI**

- 679.24(b)(1) Longline pot gear. Any person using longline pot gear must treat any catch of groundfish as a prohibited species, except: (i) In the Aleutian Islands subarea.
- (ii) While directed fishing for sablefish in the Bering Sea subarea, except as provided in paragraph (c)(4)(ii) of this section.
- 679.24(c)(4)(ii) Longline pot gear is prohibited in directed fishing for sablefish from 0001 hrs, June 1 until 1200 hrs, June 30.

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)

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