

ROCKFISH PROGRAM CENTRAL GULF SECONDARY ROCKFISH SPECIES FOR COOPERATIVE FISHERIES - 2008

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Area	Fishery	Effective date	Status	Reason
CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA, COOPERATIVE FISHERY, Catcher Processors (CPs)				
	Northern rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Pacific ocean perch	1-May	Open	Reg
	Thornyhead rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Sablefish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Shortraker rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Rougheye rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Halibut	1-May	Open	Reg
CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA, COOPERATIVE FISHERY, Catcher Vessels (CVs)				
	Northern rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Pacific ocean perch	1-May	Open	Reg
	Thornyhead rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Sablefish	1-May	Open	Reg
	Pacific cod	1-May	Open	Reg
	Halibut	1-May	Open	Reg

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 on January 20, 2006. 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(679.22(b)(3)) closure for federally permitted vessels using trawl gear from August 1 through September 20 has been rescinded.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)

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.