

size, gear, bycatch, and other requirements. Further details regarding these requirements are available from the NMFS Northeast Regional Office, and can also be found in the current NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures on the Internet (see **ADDRESSES**).

#### Chartering Arrangements

In the event that no adequate expressions of interest in harvesting the U.S. portion of the 2004 NAFO 3M shrimp effort allocation are made on behalf of U.S. vessels, expressions of interest will be considered from U.S. fishing interests intending to make use of vessels of other NAFO Parties under chartering arrangements to fish the 2004 U.S. effort allocation for 3M shrimp. Under NAFO rules in effect through 2004, a vessel registered to another NAFO Contracting Party may be chartered to fish the U.S. effort allocation provided that written consent for the charter is obtained from the vessel's flag state and the U.S. allocation is transferred to that flag state. NAFO Parties must be notified of such a chartering operation through a mail notification process.

A NAFO Contracting Party wishing to enter into a chartering arrangement with the United States must be in full current compliance with the requirements outlined in the NAFO Convention and Conservation and Enforcement Measures including, but not limited to, submission of the following reports to the NAFO Executive Secretary: provisional monthly catches within 30 days following the calendar month in which the catches were made; provisional monthly fishing days in Division 3M within 30 days following the calendar month in which the catches were made; observer reports within 30 days following the completion of a fishing trip; and an annual statement of actions taken in order to comply with the NAFO Convention. Furthermore, the United States may also consider a Contracting Party's previous compliance with the NAFO incidental catch limits, as outlined in the NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures, before entering into a chartering arrangement.

Expressions of interest from U.S. fishing interests intending to make use of vessels from another NAFO Contracting Party under chartering arrangements should include information required by NAFO regarding the proposed chartering operation, including: the name, registration and flag of the intended vessel; a copy of the charter; the fishing opportunities granted; a letter of consent

from the vessel's flag state; the date from which the vessel is authorized to commence fishing on these opportunities; and the duration of the charter (not to exceed 6 months). More details on NAFO requirements for chartering operations are available from NMFS (see **ADDRESSES**). In addition, expressions of interest for chartering operations should be accompanied by a detailed description of anticipated benefits to the United States. Such benefits might include, but are not limited to, the use of U.S. processing facilities/personnel; the use of U.S. fishing personnel; other specific positive effects on U.S. employment; evidence that fishing by the chartered vessel actually would take place; and documentation of the physical characteristics and economics of the fishery for future use by the U.S. fishing industry.

In the event that multiple expressions of interest are made by U.S. fishing interests proposing the use of chartering operations, the information submitted regarding benefits to the United States will be used in making a selection. In the event that applications by U.S. fishing interests proposing the use of chartering operations are considered, all applicants will be made aware of the allocation decision as soon as possible. Once the allocation has been awarded for use in a chartering operation, NMFS will immediately take appropriate steps to notify NAFO and transfer the U.S. 3M shrimp effort allocation to the appropriate Contracting Party.

After reviewing all requests for allocations submitted, NMFS may decide not to grant any allocations if it is determined that no requests meet the criteria described in this notice. All individuals/companies submitting expressions of interest to NMFS will be contacted if an allocation has been awarded. Please note that if the U.S. portion of the 2004 NAFO 3M shrimp effort allocation is awarded to a U.S. vessel or a specified chartering operation, it may not be transferred without the express, written consent of NMFS.

Dated: January 22, 2004.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 660

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### Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries off the West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Groundfish Fishery Management Measures; Correction

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

**ACTION:** Final rule; correction.

**SUMMARY:** This document contains corrections to the emergency rule published on January 8, 2004, for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery.

**DATES:** Effective January 28, 2004, through February 29, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carrie Nordeen or Jamie Goen (NMFS, Northwest Region), 206-526-6140.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The specifications and management measures for the 2004 fishing year (January 1 - December 31, 2003) are initially being published in this **Federal Register** as an emergency rule for January 1 - February 29, 2004 (69 FR 1322, January 8, 2004) and as a proposed rule for March 1 - December 31, 2004 (69 FR 1380, January 8, 2004).

Management measures for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery, effective January 1 - February 29, 2004 (69 FR 1322, March 7, 2003), contained errors in the trawl trip limit tables, in the open access table (South), and in the rockfish conservation area (RCA) boundary coordinates around California's Channel Islands that require correction. The trawl trip limit table (North) is revised to clarify that for the DTS complex (Dover sole, thornyheads, sablefish,) small footrope gear restrictions that apply "North or South" refer to north or south of 40°deg;10' N. lat. The trawl trip limit table (South) is revised to clarify that the trawl RCA between 40°10' N. lat. and 34°27' N. lat. is measured from the mainland coast of California and, for January-February, consists of an area between a line connecting latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 75-fm (137-m) depth contour and a line connecting latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 150-fm (274-m) depth contour. South of

34°deg;27' N. lat., the trawl RCA has the same boundaries measured from the mainland coast as the area between 40°10' N. lat. and 34°deg;27' N. lat., but the RCA is designated around islands as between the shoreline and a line connecting latitude and longitude coordinates approximating the 150–fm (274–m) depth contour. This same revision is made to the open access trip limit table (South) in lines 40–41, which define the trawl RCA for exempted trawl gear. In addition to trip limit tables, the RCA boundary coordinates around California's Channel Islands also require correction. The specific latitude and longitude coordinates that approximate the 150–fm (274–m) depth contour around Santa Catalina Island are corrected to closer approximate the 150 fm (274–m) depth contour and a typographic error in one of the coordinates comprising the RCA boundary approximating the 60–fm (110–m) depth contour around the northern Channel Islands is corrected.

#### Corrections

In the rule FR Doc. 03–31619, in the issue of Thursday, January 8, 2004 (69 FR 1322) make the following corrections:

■ 1. On page 1338, in section IV., under A. General Definitions and Provisions, paragraph (17)(f)(v)(A)(13) is corrected to read as follows:

\* \* \* \* \*  
(13) 34°02.80' N. lat., 119°21.4' W.  
long.;

\* \* \* \* \*  
■ 2. On page 1350, in section IV., under A. General Definitions and Provisions, paragraphs (17)(f)(ix)(B)(1)–(14) are corrected to read as follows:

\* \* \* \* \*  
(1) 33°17.24' N. lat., 118°12.94' W.  
long.;

(2) 33°23.60' N. lat., 118°18.79' W.  
long.;

(3) 33°26.00' N. lat., 118°22.0' W.  
long.;

(4) 33°27.57' N. lat., 118°27.69' W.  
long.;

(5) 33°29.78' N. lat., 118°31.01' W.  
long.;

(6) 33°30.46' N. lat., 118°36.52' W.  
long.;

(7) 33°28.65' N. lat., 118°41.07' W.  
long.;

(8) 33°23.23' N. lat., 118°30.69' W.  
long.;

(9) 33°20.97' N. lat., 118°33.29' W.  
long.;

(10) 33°19.81' N. lat., 118°32.24' W.  
long.;

(11) 33°18.00' N. lat., 118°28.00' W.  
long.;

(12) 33°15.62' N. lat., 118°14.74' W.  
long.;

(13) 33°16.00' N. lat., 118°13.00' W.  
long.; and

(14) 33°17.24' N. lat. 118°12.94' W.  
long.

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■ 3. On pages 1364–1367, Table 3 (North) and Table 3 (South) are corrected to read as follows:

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Table 3 (North). 2004 Trip Limits and Gear Requirements<sup>1/</sup> for Limited Entry Trawl Gear North of 40°10' N. Latitude<sup>2/</sup>

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
<b>Rockfish Conservation Area<sup>10/</sup> (RCA):</b>							
North of 40°10' N. lat.		75 fm - modified 200 fm <sup>11/</sup>	60 fm - 200 fm		75 fm - 150 fm	75 fm - 200 fm	75 fm - modified 200 fm <sup>11/</sup>
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. <b>See IV.A.(14)(iv) for details.</b>							
1	Minor slope rockfish <sup>3/</sup>	4,000 lb/ 2 months					
2	Pacific ocean perch	3,000 lb/ 2 months					
3	DTS complex	Providing only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope trawl trip limits apply. If small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup> is used at any time in any area (North or South of 40°10' N. lat., shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then small footrope trawl limits apply.					
4	Sablefish						
5	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	9,300 lb/ 2 months	8,700 lb/ 2 months				6,200 lb/ 2 months
6	small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup>	2,000 lb/ 2 months	5,000 lb/ 2 months				2,000 lb/ 2 months
7	Longspine thornyhead						
8	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	15,000 lb/ 2 months	10,000 lb/ 2 months				
9	small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup>	1,000 lb/ 2 months					
10	Shortspine thornyhead						
11	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	3,150 lb/ 2 months	2,100 lb/ 2 months				
12	small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup>	1,000 lb/ 2 months					
13	Dover sole						
14	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	67,500 lb/ 2 months	21,000 lb/ 2 months (providing large footrope, small footrope, and/or midwater trawl gear is used)				45,000 lb/ 2 months
15	small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup>	10,000 lb/ 2 months					10,000 lb/ 2 months
16	Flatfish	Providing only large footrope or midwater trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope trawl trip limits apply. If small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup> is used at any time in any area (North or South, shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then small footrope trawl limits apply.					
17	All other flatfish, Petrale sole, & Rex sole						
18	large footrope or midwater trawl gear for All other flatfish <sup>4/</sup> & Rex sole	100,000 lb/ 2 months					
19	large footrope or midwater trawl gear for Petrale sole	Not limited	100,000 lb/ 2 months				Not limited
20	small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup>	30,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 10,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.		60,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 25,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.			30,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 10,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.
21	Arrowtooth flounder						
22	large footrope or midwater trawl gear	Not limited	150,000 lb/ 2 months				Not limited
23	small footrope gear <sup>7/</sup>	4,000 lb/ 2 months	6,000 lb/ 2 months				4,000 lb/ 2 months

Table 3 (North). Continued

24	Whiting <sup>5/</sup>	Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip -- During the primary season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip		
25	Minor shelf rockfish <sup>3/</sup> & Widow rockfish			
26	large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
27	midwater trawl for Widow rockfish	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED <sup>6/</sup> -- 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. Mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for primary whiting season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		12,000 lb/ 2 months
28	midwater for Minor shelf rockfish or small footrope trawl <sup>7/</sup>	300 lb/ month	1,000 lb/ month, no more than 200 lb/ month of which may be yelloweye rockfish	300 lb/ month
29	Canary rockfish			
30	large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
31	midwater or small footrope trawl <sup>7/</sup>	100 lb/ month	300 lb/ month	100 lb/ month
32	Yellowtail			
33	large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
34	midwater trawl	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED <sup>6/</sup> -- 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. Mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for primary whiting season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		18,000 lb/ 2 months
35	small footrope trawl <sup>7/</sup>	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.		
36	Minor nearshore rockfish			
37	large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
38	midwater or small footrope trawl <sup>7/</sup>	300 lb/ month		
39	Lingcod <sup>8/</sup>			
40	large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
41	midwater or small footrope trawl <sup>7/</sup>	800 lb/ 2 months	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months
42	Other Fish <sup>9/</sup>	Not limited		

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 all 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.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

11/ The "modified 200 fm" line is modified to incorporate petrale sole fishing grounds.

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

Table 3 (South). 2004 Trip Limits and Gear Requirements<sup>11</sup> for Limited Entry Trawl Gear South of 40°10' N. Latitude<sup>21</sup>

Other Limits and Requirements Apply – Read Sections IV, A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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Other Limits and Requirements Apply – Read Sections IV, A, and B: RW-3 Accounts before using this table

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	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
<b>Rockfish Conservation Area<sup>10a</sup> (RCA):</b>						
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		100 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	
South of 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands		100 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands		75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands	
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 <sup>31</sup>						
2 40°10' - 38° N. lat.	7,000 lb/ 2 months					
3 South of 38° N. lat.	40,000 lb/ 2 months					
4 Splitnose						
5 40°10' - 38° N. lat.	7,000 lb/ 2 months					
6 South of 38° N. lat.	40,000 lb/ 2 months					
7 DTS complex						
8 Sablefish	11,250 lb/ 2 months		7,500 lb/ 2 months			
9 Longspine thornyhead	15,000 lb / 2 months		10,000 lb / 2 months			
10 Shortspine thornyhead	3,000 lb/ 2 months		2,000 lb/ 2 months			
11 Dover sole	39,000 lb/ 2 months		26,000 lb/ 2 months			
12 Flatfish						
13 All other flatfish <sup>6</sup> & Rex sole	100,000 lb/ 2 months	All other flatfish plus petrale & rex sole: 100,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 20,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole				100,000 lb/ 2 months
14 Petrale sole	No limit					No limit
15 Arrowtooth flounder	No limit	10,000 lb/ 2 months				No limit
16 Whiting <sup>51</sup>	Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip – During the primary whiting season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip					
17 Minor shelf rockfish, Widow, and Chilipepper rockfish <sup>31</sup>	Providing only large footrope trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope limit applies.					
18 large footrope trawl for Minor shelf rockfish	300 lb/ month					
19 large footrope trawl for Chilipepper rockfish	2,000 lb/ 2 months					
20 large footrope or midwater trawl for Widow rockfish	CLOSED <sup>61</sup>					
21 midwater for Minor shelf or Chilipepper rockfish or small footrope trawl <sup>71</sup>	300 lb/ month					
22 Bocaccio	Providing only large footrope trawl gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope limit applies.					
23 large footrope trawl	100 lb/month					
24 midwater or small footrope trawl <sup>71</sup>	CLOSED <sup>51</sup>					
25 Canary rockfish						
26 large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>51</sup>					
27 midwater or small footrope trawl <sup>71</sup>	100 lb/ month	300 lb/ month		100 lb/ month		

Table 3 (South). Continued

28	Cowcod	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
29	Minor nearshore rockfish			
30	large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
31	midwater or small footrope trawl <sup>7/</sup>	300 lb/ month		
32	Lingcod <sup>8/</sup>			
33	large footrope trawl	CLOSED <sup>6/</sup>		
34	midwater or small footrope trawl <sup>7/</sup>	800 lb/ 2 months	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months
35	Other Fish <sup>9/</sup>	Not limited		

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 all 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.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

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

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- 4. On pages 1373–1374 Table 5 (South) is corrected to read as follows:

**Table 5 (South). 2004 Trip Limits for Open Access Gears South of 40°10' N. Latitude<sup>1/</sup>**

Other Limits and Requirements Apply – Read Sections IV. A. and C. NMFS Actions before using this table

Other Limits and Requirements Apply: Read Sections 11.14 and 11.15 of Regulations Before Using this Table						
	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
<b>Rockfish Conservation Area<sup>7/</sup> (RCA):</b>						
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		20 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	
South of 34°27' N. lat.	60 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands)					
1 <b>Minor slope rockfish<sup>2/</sup></b>						
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 <b>Splitnose</b>	200 lb/ month					
5 <b>Sablefish</b>						
6 40°10' - 36° N. lat.	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 <b>Thornyheads</b>						
9 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>					
10 South of 34°27' N. lat.	50 lb/ day, no more than 1,000 lb/ 2 months					
11 <b>Dover sole</b>	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 <b>Arrowtooth flounder</b>						
13 <b>Petrale sole</b>						
14 <b>Rex sole</b>						
15 <b>All other flatfish<sup>3/</sup></b>						
16 <b>Whiting</b>	300 lb/ month					
17 <b>Minor shelf rockfish, widow and chilipepper rockfish<sup>2/</sup></b>						
18 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	200 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months	
19 South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	500 lb/ 2 months				
20 <b>Canary rockfish</b>	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>					
21 <b>Yelloweye rockfish</b>	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>					
22 <b>Cowcod</b>	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>					
23 <b>Bocaccio</b>						
24 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	200 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	100 lb/ 2 months		200 lb/ 2 months	
25 South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	100 lb/ 2 months				
26 <b>Minor nearshore rockfish</b>						
27 <b>Shallow nearshore</b>						
28 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months	500 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months
29 South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	300 lb/ 2 months				
30 <b>Deeper nearshore</b>						
31 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	500 lb/ 2 months		400 lb/month	500 lb/ 2 months
32 South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months			400 lb/ 2 months
33 <b>California scorpionfish</b>	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	300 lb/ 2 months		400 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months

Table 5 (South). Continued

34	Lingcod <sup>4/</sup>	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>	300 lb/ month, when nearshore open	CLOSED <sup>5/</sup>
35	Other Fish <sup>6/</sup>	Not limited		
36	PINK SHRIMP EXEMPTED TRAWL GEAR (not subject to RCAs)			
37	South	Effective April 1 - October 31, 2004: 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.		
38	PRAWN AND, SOUTH OF 38°57'30" N. LAT., CALIFORNIA HALIBUT AND SEA CUCUMBER EXEMPTED TRAWL			
39	EXEMPTED TRAWL Rockfish Conservation Area <sup>7/</sup> (RCA):			
40	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	100 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)
41	South of 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands	100 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands
42	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 33).			

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.

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/ 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.

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.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

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

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