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## NMFS SUMMARY REPORT OF OCTOBER TRIP LIMIT CHANGES OFF WASHINGTON, OREGON, AND CALIFORNIA

Adjustments to trip limits for groundfish taken off Washington, Oregon, and California are announced by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). These changes were recommended by the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and are **effective October 1, 2001**, unless otherwise specified. These changes are intended to allow fisheries access to groundfish allocations without exceeding the optimum yields for those species, and without negatively affecting overfished and depleted stocks. Trip limit changes are effective October 1, 2001, for the trawl "A" platoon and October 16, 2001, for the "B" platoon, unless otherwise specified.

### CLOSURES:

Taking and retaining, possessing or landing is **prohibited** for all of the following:

- Limited entry trawl DTS complex (Dover sole, shortspine and longspine thornyhead, and sablefish) **coastwide**,
- Limited entry trawl and open access minor slope rockfish **north** of 40°10' N. lat.,
- Limited entry trawl and fixed gear and open access Pacific ocean perch and canary rockfish **coastwide**,
- Limited entry trawl and fixed gear and open access bocaccio rockfish **south** of 40°10' N. lat.,
- Limited entry fixed gear and open access shelf rockfish, including minor shelf rockfish, widow rockfish, and yellowtail rockfish, **coastwide**, and
- Limited entry fixed gear and open access chilipepper rockfish **south** of 40°10' N. lat.

Closures in the open access fisheries apply to all open access gears, including exempted trawl gear fisheries.

#### TRIP LIMIT ADJUSTMENTS:

- For October, the limited entry small footrope trawl limit for flatfish other than Dover sole, rex sole, and arrowtooth flounder **coastwide** will remain 45,000 lb per month, of which no more than 15,000 lb may be petrale sole. The limited entry large footrope trawl limit for flatfish other than Dover sole, rex sole, and arrowtooth flounder **coastwide** will remain 1,000 lb per trip, of which no more than 100 lb per trip may be petrale sole.
- During the November and December period, the **coastwide** small footrope limit for flatfish other than Dover sole, rex sole, and arrowtooth flounder is 30,000 lb per month, the large footrope limit will remain at 1,000 lb per trip. The petrale sole limit for small and large footrope gear is 30,000 lb per month. No vessel may have more than one cumulative limit per period.
- The limited entry small and large footrope trawl limits for arrowtooth flounder **coastwide** is decreased to 5,000 lb per trip limit and 30,000 lb per month.
- The current limited entry mid-water trawl cumulative limits for yellowtail rockfish, **north** of 40°10' N. lat., and widow rockfish are extended through the month of October. During the November and December period, the limited entry mid-water trawl limit for yellowtail rockfish **north** of 40°10' N. lat. is 15,000 lb per two months and 25,000 lb per two months for widow rockfish.
- The current limited entry small footrope trawl limit for yellowtail rockfish taken as bycatch with flatfish **north** of 40°10' N. lat., is equal to the sum of 33 percent (by weight) of all flatfish except arrowtooth flounder, plus 10 percent (by weight) of arrowtooth flounder, not to exceed 7,500 lb per trip and not to exceed 15,000 lb per two months, is extended through the November and December period.
- The limited entry small footrope trawl limit for chilipepper rockfish taken **south** of 40°10' N. lat. is decreased to 5,000 lb per two months for the November and December period.
- The limited entry trawl trip limits for minor shelf rockfish will decrease **north** of 40°10' N. lat. to 300 lb per month and **south** of 40°10' N. lat. to 500 lb per month.
- The limited entry fixed gear and open access trip limits for minor nearshore rockfish taken **north** of 40°10' N. lat. will decrease to 2,000 lb per month, no more than 800 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish, and **south** of 40°10' N. lat. will increase to 3,000 lb per two months.

- The limited entry trawl and fixed gear and open access trip limits for lingcod **coastwide** will increase to 500 lb per month during October. Lingcod retention is prohibited in **any** fishery in November and December.

An updated set of trip limit tables, effective October 1, 2001, are included in this notice.

For more information, contact: NMFS NW Region at 206-526-6140 (<http://www.nwr.noaa.gov>, click on "Pacific Coast Groundfish") or, NMFS SW Region at 562-980-4000; Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife at 360-249-4628; Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife at 541-867-4741; or the California Department of Fish and Game at 415-688-6361.

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**Table 3. 2001 Trip Limits 1/ and Gear Requirements 2/ for Limited Entry Trawl Gear**  
**Read Section IV.A. NMFS Actions before using this table.**

line	Species/groups	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC	
1	Minor slope rockfish							
2	North		1,500 lb/ 2 months		2,000 lb/ 2 months		Closed Starting October	
3	South		14,000 lb/ 2 months			25,000 lb/ 2 months		
4	Spillnose - South	8,500 lb/ 2 months		14,000 lb/ 2 months		25,000 lb/ 2 months		
5	Pacific ocean perch <sup>5/</sup>	1,500 lb/ month		2,500 lb/ month	3,500 lb/ month		Closed Starting October	
6	DTS complex - North							
7	Sablefish	5,000 lb/ 2 months		14,000 lb/ 2 months				
8	Longspine thornyhead	6,000 lb/ 2 months		6,000 lb/ 2 months			Closed Starting October	
9	Shortspine thornyhead	1,500 lb/ 2 months		1,500 lb/ 2 months				
10	Dover sole	65,000 lb/ 2 months		20,000 lb/ 2 months	15,000 lb/ 2 months	7,500 lb/ month		
11	DTS complex - South							
12	Sablefish	8,000 lb/ 2 months		11,000 lb/ 2 months				
13	Longspine thornyhead	6,000 lb/ 2 months		6,000 lb/ 2 months			Closed Starting October	
14	Shortspine thornyhead	1,500 lb/ 2 months		1,500 lb/ 2 months				
15	Dover sole		35,000 lb/ 2 months		30,000 lb/ 2 months	5,000 lb/ month		
16	Flatfish - North							
17	Arrowtooth flounder	20,000 lb/ trip					Small and large footrope: 5,000 lb/ trip, not to exceed 30,000 lb/ month	
18	Rex Sole	No Limit					No Limit	
19	Petrale Sole	No Restriction					Small footrope: 45,000 lb/month, of which no more than 15,000 lb may be petrale sole small and large footrope: 30,000 lb/ month	
20	All other flatfish <sup>3/</sup>	Small footrope, no limit; large footrope, 1,000 lb/ trip					Small footrope: 45,000 lb/month, of which no more than 15,000 lb may be petrale sole Large footrope: all other flatfish 1,000 lb/ trip, of which no more than 100 lb/ trip may be petrale sole small footrope: 30,000 lb/ month; large footrope: 1,000 lb / trip	
21	Flatfish - South							
22	Arrowtooth flounder	20,000 lb/ trip		small footrope, no limit; large footrope, 5,000 lb/ trip			Small and large footrope: 5,000 lb/ trip, not to exceed 30,000 lb/ month	
23	Rex Sole						No Limit	
24	Petrale Sole	No Restriction		small footrope, no limit; large footrope, included in "all other flatfish"			Small footrope: 45,000 lb/month, of which no more than 15,000 lb may be petrale sole small and large footrope: 30,000 lb/ month	
25	All other flatfish <sup>3/</sup>			small footrope, no limit; large footrope, 1,000 lb/ trip			Small footrope: 45,000 lb/month, of which no more than 15,000 lb may be petrale sole Large footrope: all other flatfish 1,000 lb/ trip, of which no more than 100 lb/ trip may be petrale sole small footrope: 30,000 lb/ month; large footrope: 1,000 lb / trip	
26	Whiting shoreside <sup>4/</sup>	20,000 lb/ trip			Primary Season		20,000 lb/ trip	
27	Use of small footrope bottom trawl <sup>5/</sup> or midwater trawl required for landing all of the following species:							
28	Minor shelf rockfish							
29	North	300 lb/ month		1,000 lb/ month		300 lb/ month		
30	South	500 lb/ month		1,000 lb/ month		500 lb/ month		
31	Canary rockfish	100 lb/ month		300 lb/ month			Closed Starting October	
32	Widow rockfish							
33	mid-water trawl	20,000 lb/ 2 months		10,000 lb/ 2 months		July thru October, in trips where 10,000 lb or more of whiting are landed, 2,000 lb/ month, with a combined widow/yellowtail limit of 500 lb per trip, otherwise 1,000 lb/month.	25,000 lb/ 2 months	
34	small footrope trawl					1,000 lb/ month		
35	Yellowtail - North <sup>6/</sup>							
36	mid-water trawl	30,000 lb/ 2 months		15,000 lb/ 2 months		July thru October, in trips where 10,000 lb or more of whiting are landed, 3,000 lb/ month with a combined widow/yellowtail limit of 500 lb/ trip, otherwise 1,500 lb/month.	15,000 lb/ 2 months	
37	small footrope trawl		Without flatfish, 1,500 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, not to exceed 2,500 lb/ trip and 30,000 lb/ 2 months.			Without flatfish, 1,500 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, not to exceed 7,500 lb/ trip and not to exceed 15,000 lb/ 2 months.		
38	Bocaccio - South <sup>6/</sup>	300 lb/ month		500 lb/ month			Closed Starting October	
39	Chillpepper - South <sup>6/</sup>							
40	mid-water trawl				25,000 lb/ 2 months			
41	small footrope trawl				7,500 lb/ 2 months		5,000 lb/ 2 months	
42	Cowcod						Retention is Prohibited	
43	Minor nearshore rockfish							
44	North				200 lb/ month			
45	South				200 lb/ month			
46	Lingcod <sup>7/</sup>	No retention		400 lb/ month		500 lb/ month	Closed Starting November	

1/ Trip limits apply coastwide unless otherwise specified. "North" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Canada border.

"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/ Gear requirements and prohibitions are explained at paragraph IV.A. (14)

3/ "Other" flatfish means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 3 with a trip limit.

4/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area inside 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip throughout the year. See IV.B.(3)(c).

The 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies before and after the primary season.

5/ Small footrope trawl means a bottom trawl net with a footrope no larger than 8 inches (20 cm) in diameter.

Midwater gear also may be used; the footrope must be bare. See paragraph IV.A. (14).

6/ Yellowtail rockfish and POP in the south, and bocaccio, and chillpepper flatfishes in the north are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish in the appropriate area (Table 2).

7/ The size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

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

**Table 4. 2001 Trip Limits<sup>1/</sup> for Limited Entry Fixed Gear  
Read Section IV.A. NMFS Actions before using this table.**

line	Species/groups	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
1	<b>Minor slope rockfish</b>						
2	North		1,500 lb/ 2 months			2,000 lb/ 2 months	
3	South		14,000 lb/ 2 months			25,000 lb/ 2 months	
4	<b>Splitnose - South</b>	8,500 lb/ 2months		14,000 lb/ 2 months		25,000 lb/ 2 months	
5	<b>Pacific ocean perch 5/</b>	1,500 lb/ month		2,500 lb/ month	3,500 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
6	<b>Sablefish</b>						
7	North of 36° N. lat.		300 lb/ day, 2,700 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ day or 1 landing per week up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ day or 1 landing per week up to 900 lb, not to exceed 1,800 lb/ month	
8	South of 36° N. lat.				350 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,050 lb		
9	<b>Longspine thornyhead</b>	6,000 lb/ 2 months			6,000 lb/ 2 months		6,000 lb/ 2 months
10	<b>Shortspine thornyhead</b>	1,500 lb/ 2 months			1,500 lb/ 2 months		1,500 lb/ 2 months
11	<b>Dover sole</b>						
12	North	65,000 lb/ 2 months		20,000 lb/ 2 months	15,000 lb/ 2 months	7,500 lb/ month	
13	South	35,000 lb/ 2 months		35,000 lb/ 2 months	30,000 lb/ 2 months	15,000 lb/ month	
14	<b>Flatfish - North</b>						
15	Arrowtooth flounder	20,000 lb/ trip					20,000 lb/ trip
16	Petrale sole	No restriction		30,000 lb/ month for all flatfish except Dover sole	45,000 lb/month, of which no more than 15,000 lb may be petrale sole; arrowtooth no more than 7,500 lb/trip, not to exceed 30,000 lb/month.		No restriction
17	Rex sole	No limit					No limit
18	All other flatfish 2/	No limit					No limit
19	<b>Flatfish - South</b>						
20	Arrowtooth flounder	20,000 lb/ trip			No limit		20,000 lb/ trip
21	Petrale sole				No limit		
22	Rex sole				No limit		
23	All other flatfish 2/				No limit		
24	<b>Whiting 3/</b>	20,000 lb/ trip			Primary Season		20,000 lb/ trip
25	<b>Minor shelf rockfish</b>						
26	North	300 lb/ month			1,000 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
27	South						
28	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	500 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/		1,000 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
29	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 4/	500 lb/ month				
30	<b>Canary rockfish</b>						
31	North	100 lb/ month			300 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
32	South						
33	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	100 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/		300 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
34	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 4/	100 lb/ month				
35	<b>Widow rockfish</b>						
36	North			3,000 lb/ month			Closed Starting October
37	South						
38	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	3,000 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/		3,000 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
39	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 4/	3,000 lb/ month				
40	<b>Yellowtail - North 5/</b>			1,500 lb/ month			Closed Starting October
41	<b>Bocaccio - South 5/</b>						
42	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/		500 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
43	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 4/	300 lb/ month				
44	<b>Chilipepper - South 5/</b>						
45	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	2,500 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/		2,500 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
46	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 4/	2,500 lb/ month				
47	<b>Cowcod</b>						
48	<b>Minor nearshore rockfish</b>						
49	North	10,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 4,000 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish 6/		7,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 4,000 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish 6/		2,000 lb/ month, no more than 800 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish	
50	South						
51	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	2,000 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED 4/	Shoreward of 20 ftn depth: 2,000 lb/ 2	2,000 lb/ 2 months		3,000 lb/ 2 months
52	South of 34°27' N. lat.	Shoreward of 20 ftn depth: 2,000 lb/ 2 months, otherwise CLOSED 4/			2,000 lb/ 2 months		
53	<b>Lingcod 7/</b>						
54	North		CLOSED 4/		400 lb/ month	500 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/
55	South						
56	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		CLOSED 4/		400 lb/ month	500 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/
57	South of 34°27' N. lat.		CLOSED 4/		400 lb/ month	500 lb/ month	CLOSED 4/

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 "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/ "Other flatfish" means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 4 with a trip limit.  
 3/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area inside 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip throughout the year. See IV.B.(3)(c).  
 4/ 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).  
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 5/ Yellowtail rockfish and POP in the south, and bocaccio, and chilipepper rockfishes in the north are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish in the appropriate area (Table 2).  
 6/ The "per trip" limit for black rockfish off Washington also applies. See paragraph IV.B.(4).  
 7/ The size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) in the north, and 26 inches (66 cm) in the south, total length.  
**To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.**

**Table 5. 2001 Trip Limits<sup>1/</sup> for Open Access Gears**  
**Read Section IV.A. NMFS Actions before using this table. (Exceptions for exempted gears at Section IV.C.)**

line	Species/groups	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
1	<b>Minor slope rockfish</b>						
2	North			500 lb/ 2 months			Closed Starting in October
3	South			5,000 lb/ 2 months			
4	<b>Splitnose - South</b>			200 lb/ month			
5	<b>Pacific ocean perch 4/</b>			100 lb/ month			Closed Starting in October
6	<b>Sablefish</b>						
7	North of 36° N. lat.		300 lb/ day, 2,700 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ day or 1 landing per week up to 800 lb, not to exceed 4,800 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ day or 1 landing per week up to 800 lb, not to exceed 2,400 lb/ month
8	South of 36° N. lat.				350 lb/ day		
9	<b>Thornyheads (longspine and shortspine combined)</b>						
10	North of 34°27' N. lat.			CLOSED 3/ -- No Retention			
11	South of 34°27' N. lat.			50 lb/ day, no more than 2,000 lb/ 2 months			
12	<b>Arrowtooth</b>			200 lb/ month			
13	<b>Dover sole</b>			(included in "other" flatfish limit)			
14	<b>Petrale sole</b>			(included in "other" flatfish limit)			
15	<b>Nearshore flatfish</b>			(included in "other" flatfish limit)			
16	<b>"Other" flatfish 2/</b>			300 lb/ month			
17	<b>Whiting</b>			300 lb/ month			
18	<b>Minor shelf rockfish</b>						
19	North			100 lb/ month			Closed Starting October
20	South						
21	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	200 lb/ month		CLOSED 3/	200 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
22	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 3/		200 lb/ month			
23	<b>Canary rockfish</b>						
24	North			50 lb/ month			Closed Starting October
25	South						
26	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	50 lb/ month		CLOSED 3/	50 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
27	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 3/		50 lb/ month			
28	<b>Widow rockfish</b>						
29	North			3,000 lb/ month			Closed Starting October
30	South						
31	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	3,000 lb/ month		CLOSED 3/	3,000 lb/month		Closed Starting October
32	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 3/		3,000 lb/ month			
33	<b>Yellowtail - North 4/ 8/</b>			100 lb/ month			Closed Starting October
34	<b>Bocaccio - South 4/</b>						
35	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	200 lb/ month		CLOSED 3/	200 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
36	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 3/		200 lb/ month			
37	<b>Chilipepper - South 4/</b>						
38	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	2,500 lb/ month		CLOSED 3/	2,500 lb/ month		Closed Starting October
39	South of 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED 3/		2,500 lb/ month			
40	<b>Cowcod</b>			Closed 3/ -- No Retention			
41	<b>Minor nearshore rockfish</b>						
42	North 6/		3,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 900 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish 5/		7,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 900 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish 5/		2,000 lb/ month, no more than 800 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish 5/
43	South						
44	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	1,800 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED 3/	Shoreward of 20 fm depth: 1,200 lb/ 2 months, otherwise CLOSED 3/		1,200 lb/2 months	3,000 lb/ 2 months
45	South of 34°27' N. lat.	Shoreward of 20 fm depth: 1,800 lb/ 2 months, otherwise CLOSED 3/	1,800 lb/ 2 months	1,200 lb/ 2 months			
46	<b>Lingcod 7/</b>						
47	North		CLOSED 3/		400 lb/ month	500 lb / month	Closed Starting November
48	South						
49	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		CLOSED 3/		400 lb/ month	500 lb / month	Closed Starting November
50	South of 34°27' N. lat.		CLOSED 3/		400 lb/ month	500 lb / month	Closed Starting November

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 2/ "Other flatfish" means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 4 with a trip limit.  
 3/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take, retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. (See IV.A. (7).)  
 4/ Yellowtail rockfish and POP in the south, and bocaccio, and chilipepper rockfishes in the north are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish in the appropriate area (Table 2).  
 5/ The "per trip" limit for black rockfish off Washington also applies. See paragraph IV.B.(4).  
 6/ See IV.C.(4) for limits specific to Pacific City, Oregon.  
 7/ The size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) in the north, and 26 inches (66 cm) in the south, total length.  
 8/ See IV.C.(5) for limits specific to the salmon troll fishery.

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