

GROUND FISH MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON
STATUS OF GROUND FISH FISHERIES AND INSEASON ADJUSTMENTS

The Groundfish Management Team (GMT) recommends the following inseason adjustments:

Trawl

North of 40°10'

- Keep current trawl RCA boundaries in place for Periods 5 and 6
- Reduce DTS trip limits in Period 6 to:

	<u>Large Footrope</u>	<u>Small Footrope</u>
Shortspine	900 lbs/2 mo.	300 lbs/2 mo.
Longspine	4,500 lbs/2 mo.	2,000 lbs/2 mo.
Sablefish	7,000 lbs/2 mo.	2,300 lbs/2 mo.
Dover	30,000 lbs/2 mo.	11,000 lbs/2 mo.

South of 40°10'

- Keep current trawl RCA boundaries in place for Periods 5 and 6
- Reduce DTS trip limits in Period 6 to:

Shortspine	900 lbs/2 mo.
Longspine	4,500 lbs/2 mo.
Sablefish	7,000 lbs/2 mo.
Dover	30,000 lbs/2 mo.

Coastwide

- Remove midwater yellowtail trawl opportunity in Period 6

Fixed Gear and Open Access

North of 36°

- Change daily trip limit sablefish limits to 900 lbs/week, no more than 3,600 lbs/2 mo.; no change to the daily limits for Period 6

South of 36°

- Keep current limits in place for daily trip limit sablefish fishery

South of 40°10'

- Increase deeper nearshore trip limits for Periods 5 and 6 to 400 lbs/month