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**CENTRAL VALLEY REGULATIONS**

**REMINDER**

New Section 2.05. Leader Length Restriction.

It shall be unlawful to use any configuration of fishing tackle in anadromous waters unless the distance between the terminal hook or terminal lure and any weight attached to the line or leader, whether fixed or sliding, is less than six feet. For purposes of this section, “weight” includes any product used to submerge the line or leader, including non-buoyant artificial flies or artificial lures, but does not include integrated or sinking fly fishing lines, lead core lines used while trolling from a boat, dropper weights used while trolling from a boat, or clipped weights used with downrigger systems.

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<td>(A) From Nimbus Dam to the U.S. Geological Survey gauging station cable crossing about 300 yards down-stream from the Nimbus Hatchery fish rack site.</td>
<td>Closed to all fishing all year.</td>
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<td>(B) From the U.S. Geological Survey gauging station cable crossing about 300 yards down-stream from the Nimbus Hatchery fish rack site to the SMUD power line crossing at the southwest boundary of Ancil Hoffman Park.</td>
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<td>(A) From Fish Barrier Dam to Table Mountain bicycle bridge in Oroville. Closed to all fishing all year.</td>
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<td>(B) From Table Mountain bicycle bridge to Highway 70 bridge.</td>
<td>Jan. 1 through July 15. Only barbless hooks may be used.</td>
<td>2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>(C) From Highway 70 bridge to the unimproved boat ramp above the Thermalito Afterbay Outfall.</td>
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<td>4 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead** in possession</td>
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<td>(D) From the unimproved boat ramp above the Thermalito Afterbay Outfall to 200 yards above the Live Oak boat ramp.</td>
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<td>Jan. 1 through July 15.</td>
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<td>Sacramento River and tributaries below Keswick Dam (Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Glenn, Sacramento, Solano, Sutter, Tehama and Yolo Cos.). Also see Sierra District General Regulations (See Section 7.00(b)).</td>
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<td>(A) Sacramento River from Keswick Dam to 650 feet below Keswick Dam.</td>
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<td>1. From 650 feet below Keswick Dam to the Highway 44 bridge.</td>
<td>Aug. 1 through March 31. Only barbless hooks may be used.</td>
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<td>2. From the Highway 44 bridge to the Deschutes Road bridge.</td>
<td>All year. Only barbless hooks may be used.</td>
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**Hatchery trout or steelhead are those showing a healed adipose fin clip (adipose fin is absent). Unless otherwise provided, all other trout and steelhead must be immediately released. Wild trout or steelhead are those not showing a healed adipose fin clip (adipose fin is present).
(91.1) ANADROMOUS WATERS OF THE KLAMATH RIVER BASIN DOWNSTREAM OF IRON GATE AND LEWISTON DAMS (LOWER KLAMATH RIVER BASIN)

The regulations in this subsection apply only to waters of the Klamath River Basin which are accessible to anadromous salmonids. They do not apply to waters of the Klamath River Basin which are inaccessible to anadromous salmon and trout, portions of the Klamath River system upstream of Iron Gate Dam, portions of the Trinity River system upstream of Lewiston Dam, and the Shasta River and tributaries upstream of Dwinel Dam. Fishing in these waters is governed by the General Regulations for non-anadromous waters of the North Coast District (see subsection 7.00(a)(5)).

(A) Hook and Weight Restrictions
(1) Only barbless hooks may be used. (For definitions regarding legal hook types, hook gaps and rigging see Chapter 2, Article 1, Section 2.10).
(2) During closures to the take of adult salmon, it shall be unlawful to remove any adult Chinook Salmon from the water by any means.

(B) General Area Closures
(1) No fishing is allowed within 750 feet of any Department of Fish and Wildlife fish-counting weir.
(2) No fishing is allowed from the Ishi Pishi Road bridge upstream to and including Ishi Pishi Falls from August 15 through December 31. EXCEPTION: members of the Karuk Indian Tribe listed on the current Karuk Tribal Roll may fish at Ishi Pishi Falls using hand-held dip nets.

(3) No fishing is allowed from September 15 through December 31 in the Klamath River within 500 feet of the mouths of the Salmon, the Shasta and the Scott rivers and Blue Creek (see Section 7.00(a)(4)).
(4) No fishing is allowed from June 15 through September 14 in the Klamath River from 500 feet above the mouth of Blue Creek to 500 feet downstream of the mouth of Blue Creek.

(C) Klamath River Basin Possession Limits
(1) Trout Possession Limits.
(a) The Brown Trout possession limit is 10.
(b) The hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead possession limits are as follows:
   (i) Klamath River — 4 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead.
   (ii) Trinity River — 4 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead.

(2) Chinook Salmon Possession Limits.
(a) Klamath River downstream of the Highway 96 bridge at Weitchpec from January 1 to August 14 and the Trinity River downstream of the Old Lewiston Bridge to the confluence of the South Fork Trinity River from January 1 to August 31.
   (i) 2 Chinook Salmon.
(b) Klamath River from August 15 to December 31 and Trinity River from September 1 to December 31.
   (i) 6 Chinook Salmon. No more than 3 Chinook Salmon over 22 inches total length may be retained when the take of salmon over 22 inches total length is allowed.

(D) Klamath River Basin Chinook Salmon Quotas
The Klamath River fall-run Chinook Salmon take

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is regulated using quotas. Accounting of the tribal and non-tribal harvest is closely monitored from August 15 through December 31 each year. These quota areas are noted in subsection (b)(91.1)(E) with “Fall Run Quota” in the Open Season and Special Regulations column.

(1) **Quota for Entire Basin.** The 2018 Klamath River Basin quota is 3,490 Klamath River fall Chinook salmon over 22 inches total length. The department shall inform the Commission, and the public via the news media, prior to any implementation of restrictions triggered by the quotas. (NOTE: A department status report on progress toward the quotas for the various river sections is updated weekly, and available at 1-800-564-6479.)

(2) **Subquota Percentages.**
   
   (a) The subquota for the Klamath River upstream of the Highway 96 bridge at Weitchpec and the Trinity River is 50% of the total Klamath River Basin quota.
   
   (i) The subquota for the Klamath River from 3,500 feet downstream of the Iron Gate Dam to the Highway 96 bridge at Weitchpec is 17% of the total Klamath River Basin quota.
   
   (ii) The subquota for the Trinity River main stem downstream of the Old Lewiston Bridge to the Highway 299 West bridge at Cedar Flat is 16.5% of the total Klamath River Basin quota.
   
   (iii) The subquota for the Trinity River main stem downstream of the Denny Road bridge at Hawkins Bar to the confluence with the Klamath River is 16.5% of the total Klamath River Basin quota.
   
   (b) The subquota for the Lower Klamath River downstream of the Highway 96 bridge at Weitchpec is 50% of the total Klamath River Basin quota.
   
   (i) The Spit Area (within 100 yards of the channel through the sand spit formed at the Klamath River mouth) will close when 15% of the total Klamath River Basin quota is taken downstream of the Highway 101 bridge.

(E) **Klamath River Basin Open Seasons and Bag Limits**

All anadromous waters of the Klamath River Basin are closed to all fishing all year except those areas listed in the following table. Bag limits are for trout and Chinook Salmon in combination unless otherwise specified.

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**MAP:** Klamath River Basin Special Regulation Waters

- **Trinity River & Tributaries (6a-6i)**
- **Confluence with the East Fork of the South Fork Trinity River**
- **Confluence with the South Fork Trinity River**
- **Hayfork Bridge**
- **Junction City Bridge**
- **Douglas City Bridge**
- **Canoon Creek Bridge**
- **Salyer Bridge**
- **Grass Valley Bridge**
- **Etna Bridge**
- **Chiloquin Bridge**
- **Del Loma Bridge**
- **Old Lewiston Bridge**
- **Bridge at Hyampom**
- **Shasta Lake**
- **Trinity Lake**

**Legend:**

- **Klamath River**
- **Trinity River**
- **Salmon River**
- **Grouse Cr.**
- **Indian Cr.**
- **New River**
- **Canyon Cr.**
- **Hayfork Cr.**
- **Etna**
- **Willow Creek**
- **South Fork Trinity River Bridge at Hyampom**
- **Shasta Lake**
- **TRINITY**
- **HUMBOLDT**
- **TEHAMA**

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**REPORT CHINOOK SALMON WITH CLIPPED ADIPOSE FINS**

Report Chinook Salmon with clipped adipose fins when fishing the Klamath-Trinity River System — see Section 5.87(c).
### Klamath River Basin

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<td>1. Bogus Creek and tributaries</td>
<td>Fourth Saturday in May through August 31. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used.</td>
<td>2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>2. Klamath River main stem from 3,500 feet downstream of Iron Gate Dam to the mouth.</td>
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<td>a. Klamath River from 3,500 feet downstream of the Iron Gate Dam to the Highway 96 bridge at Weitchpec.</td>
<td>January 1 to August 14.</td>
<td>0 Chinook Salmon 2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>Fall Run Quota 593 Chinook Salmon August 15 to December 31, 2018.</td>
<td>2 Chinook Salmon – no more than 1 fish over 22 inches total length until subquota is met, then 0 fish over 22 inches total length. 2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>Fall Run Quota Exception: Chinook Salmon over 22 inches total length may be retained from 3,500 feet downstream of Iron Gate Dam to the Interstate 5 bridge when the department determines that the adult fall-run Chinook Salmon spawning escapement at Iron Gate Hatchery exceeds 8,000 fish. Daily bag and possession limits specified for fall-run Chinook Salmon apply during this exception.</td>
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<td>b. Klamath River downstream of the Highway 96 bridge at Weitchpec.</td>
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<td>All legally caught Chinook Salmon must be retained. Once the adult (greater than 22 inches) component of the total daily bag limit has been retained anglers must cease fishing in the spit area.</td>
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<td>3. Salmon River main stem, main stem of North Fork downstream of Sawyer’s Bar bridge, and main stem of South Fork downstream of the confluence of the East Fork of the South Fork.</td>
<td>November 1 through February 28.</td>
<td>2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>4. Scott River main stem downstream of the Fort Jones-Greenview bridge to the confluence with the Klamath River.</td>
<td>Fourth Saturday in May through February 28.</td>
<td>2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>5. Shasta River main stem downstream of the Interstate 5 bridge north of Yreka to the confluence with the Klamath River.</td>
<td>Fourth Saturday in May through August 31 and November 16 through February 28.</td>
<td>2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>a. Trinity River main stem from 250 feet downstream of Lewiston Dam to the Old Lewiston Bridge.</td>
<td>April 1 through September 15. Only artificial flies with barbless hooks may be used.</td>
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<td>b. Trinity River main stem downstream of the Old Lewiston Bridge to the Highway 299 West bridge at Cedar Flat.</td>
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<td>c. Trinity River main stem downstream of the Highway 299 West bridge at Cedar Flat to the Denny Road bridge at Hawkins Bar.</td>
<td>January 1 through August 31.</td>
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<td>September 15 through November 15. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used.</td>
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<td>November 1 through March 31. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used.</td>
<td>2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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<td>November 1 through March 31.</td>
<td>0 Chinook Salmon 2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead**</td>
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**Hatchery trout or steelhead are those showing a healed adipose fin clip (adipose fin is absent). Unless otherwise provided, all other trout and steelhead must be immediately released. Wild trout or steelhead are those not showing a healed adipose fin clip (adipose fin is present).**
REPORT CARD REQUIREMENTS

Regulations seen in **RED TEXT** denote changes in the freshwater fishing regulations that have occurred since the publication of the 2018–2019 Freshwater Sport Fishing regulations booklet.

### 1.73. SALMON

(a) Salmon includes Chinook, coho, pink, chum, and sockeye salmon.

(b) Any person in possession of a recreationally taken salmon with a missing adipose fin (the small, fleshy fin on the back of the fish between the back fin and tail) shall immediately relinquish the head of the salmon, upon request by an authorized agent or employee of the department, to facilitate the recovery of any coded-wire tag. The head may be removed by the fish owner or, if removed by the official department representative, the head shall be removed in a manner to minimize loss of salmon flesh and the salmon shall immediately be returned to the fish owner.

### 1.74. SPORT FISHING

#### REPORT CARD REQUIREMENTS

(a) Purpose. These regulations are designed to improve recreational fishing effort and catch information in some or all areas where the fisheries operate. Many of these species are of high commercial value, and therefore, additional enforcement mechanisms are needed to improve compliance with existing bag limits and other regulations, and to reduce the potential for poaching.

(b) Report card requirements apply to any person fishing for or taking the following species regardless of whether a sport fishing license is required:

1. Salmon, in the anadromous waters of the Klamath, Trinity, and Smith river basins. Anadromous waters are defined in Section 1.04 of these regulations.
2. Steelhead trout.
3. White sturgeon.
4. Red abalone (This fishery is closed for 2018).
5. California spiny lobster.

(c) General Report Card Requirements.

1. Any person fishing for or taking any of the species identified in this Section shall have in his immediate possession a valid non-transferable report card issued by the department for the particular species. See special exemption regarding possession of report cards for lobster divers in Section 29.91 of these regulations.
2. All entries made on any report card or tag shall be legible and in indelible ink.
3. A report card holder fishing with a one, two, or ten-day sport fishing license, may replace the expired fishing license without purchasing a new report card so long as the report card is still valid.
4. Report cards are not transferable and shall not be transferred to another person. No person shall possess any report card other than his own.
5. A person may only obtain one abalone report card and one sturgeon report card per report card period.
6. Any report card holder who fills in all available lines on his steelhead, salmon or lobster report card shall return or report the card to the department pursuant to subsection 1.74(e) prior to purchasing a second card.
7. Data recording and tagging procedures vary between report cards and species. See specific regulations in sections 5.79, 5.87, 5.88, 27.92, 29.16, and 29.91 that apply in addition to the regulations of this Section.

(d) Report Card Return and Reporting Requirements

1. Report card holders shall return or report their salmon, steelhead, sturgeon, or abalone report cards to the department pursuant to subsection 1.74(e) prior to purchasing a second card.
2. Data recording and tagging procedures vary between report cards and species. See specific regulations in sections 5.79, 5.87, 5.88, 27.92, 29.16, and 29.91 that apply in addition to the regulations of this Section.

(e) Report Card Return and Reporting Mechanisms.

1. By mail or in person at the address specified on the card. A report card returned by mail shall be postmarked by the date applicable to that card as specified in subsection 1.74(d)(1) or 1.74(d)(2).
2. Online through the department’s license sales service website by the date applicable to that card as specified in subsection 1.74(d)(1) or 1.74(d)(2).
3. If a report card is submitted by mail and not received by the department, it is considered not returned unless the report card holder reports his or her report card as lost pursuant to subsection 1.74(f).
4. Lost report cards.

1. Any report card holder who loses his report card shall submit an affidavit, signed under penalty of perjury, in person to a department license sales office containing all of the following information:
   - A statement containing the report card holder’s full name confirming that the originally issued report card cannot be recovered.
   - A statement describing the factual circumstances surrounding the loss of the card.
2. An affidavit for a lost report card shall be presented at a department license sales office, by the date applicable to that card specified in subsection 1.74(d)(1) or 1.74(d)(2) to be considered returned.
5.87. NORTH COAST SALMON REPORT CARD REQUIREMENT

(a) Report Card Required in Waters of the Klamath-Trinity River System and the Smith River. All anglers must have a North Coast Salmon Report Card in their possession while fishing for or taking salmon in waters of the Klamath-Trinity River System and the Smith River, and must complete and return the card pursuant to regulations in this Section and in Section 1.74.

(b) Prior to beginning fishing activity, the cardholder shall record the month, day, and fishing location on the first available line on the report card.

(c) For the Klamath-Trinity River System: Whenever the cardholder lands (either retains or releases) a Chinook salmon, the angler shall immediately record whether the fish is an adult or a jack, and whether the fish has an adipose fin present. Whenever the cardholder releases a Coho salmon, the angler shall immediately record whether the maxillary is present or absent.

(d) For the Smith River: Whenever the cardholder lands (either retains or releases) a Chinook salmon, the angler shall immediately record whether the fish was an adult or a jack, and whether the fish has an adipose fin or left ventral fin present.

(e) Whenever the cardholder moves to another fishing location, the angler shall record the month, day, and location on the next line on the report card.

(f) In the Klamath-Trinity River System and Smith River, a jack Chinook salmon is defined as any Chinook salmon that is less than 22 inches total length.

(g) In the event an angler fills in all lines and returns a North Coast Salmon Report Card, an additional card may be purchased. See Section 1.74.

(h) The annual fee for the North Coast Salmon Report Card is specified in Section 701, Title 14, CCR.

5.88. STEELHEAD REPORT AND RESTORATION CARD REQUIREMENTS FOR INLAND WATERS

(a) Steelhead Fishing Report and Restoration Card Required. All anglers must have a Steelhead Fishing Report and Restoration Card in their possession while fishing for or taking steelhead in anadromous waters, as defined in Section 1.04. Anglers must complete and return the card pursuant to regulations in this Section and in Section 1.74. For purposes of these regulations, a steelhead trout is defined as any rainbow trout greater than 16 inches in length found in anadromous waters.

(b) Prior to beginning fishing activity, the cardholder shall record the month, day, and location code on the first available line on the report card.

(c) When a steelhead is retained, the cardholder must immediately fill in a circle indicating whether the fish is a wild fish or a hatchery fish.

(d) When the cardholder moves to another location code, or finishes fishing for the day, the angler must immediately record on the card the number of wild and hatchery fish that were released from that location and the number of hours fished for steelhead to the nearest hour.

(e) In the event an angler fills in all lines and returns a Steelhead Fishing Report and Restoration Card, an additional card may be purchased. See Section 1.74.

(f) The annual fee for the Steelhead Fishing Report and Restoration Card is specified in Section 7380 of the Fish and Game Code.

8.01. SPECIAL MEASURES FOR FISHERIES AT RISK

(a) The commission has established a quick response process to temporarily close fisheries experiencing degraded habitat quality and or quantity or extremely low population size within waters of the state. The criteria set forth in subsections (b) and (c) are intended to ensure that fisheries are protected under critical environmental conditions. These criteria will be monitored in statewide inland fisheries, and they will be evaluated on a water by water basis over time as conditions change.

(b) The department may close to angling any waters of the state not currently listed in Section 8.00 of these regulations if the director, or his or her designee, finds one or more of the following conditions have been met:

(A) Water temperatures in occupied habitat exceed 70°F for more than three consecutive days.

(B) Dissolved oxygen levels in occupied habitat drop below 5 mg/L for any period of time over two consecutive days.

(C) Fish passage is impeded or blocked for fish species that rely on migration as part of a life history trait.

(D) Water levels for ponds, lakes and reservoirs drop below 10% of their capacity.

(E) Adult breeding population levels are estimated to be below 50 individuals for a sub-population and 500 individuals for a standard population.

(f) Waters closed pursuant to subsection (b) shall be reopened by the department when the director, or his or her designee, determines the initial closure-based criteria are no longer met and water temperatures do not exceed 70°F Fahrenheit for over eight hours a day for 14 consecutive days and dissolved oxygen remains above 5 mg/L for 14 consecutive days.

(g) It shall be unlawful to take fish in any waters of the state closed to angling pursuant to this Section.

(h) Notification of department actions.

(1) The department shall maintain a list of closed waters of the state and update that list on Wednesday of each week by 1:00 pm. In the event that water conditions change later in the week, the fishing status for each specific water will not change until the day following the next Wednesday. It shall be the responsibility of the angler to use the telephone number provided below or go to the department’s website at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Regulations to obtain the current status of any water. The number to call for information is (916) 445-7600.

(2) Water conditions listed in this paragraph shall also be available on the Fish and Game website at www.fg.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Fisheries-at-Risk.

(3) Notwithstanding subsection 1.74(c)(5), any report card holder who loses his report card during the period for which it is valid may replace the lost report card by submitting an affidavit as described in subsection 1.74(f)(1) and payment of the report card fee and replacement processing fee specified in Section 701.
NOW, IT IS EASIER THAN EVER TO REPORT YOUR HARVEST

- Report your harvest online using the Online License Service at wildlife.ca.gov/reportcards; or
- Return your report card via mail to the address printed on the report card.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION — READ BEFORE YOU REPORT ONLINE

- Accurate and complete data is required. If you report online, all entries on the report card must be entered in the electronic form, including sport fishing reports of activity where no catches were made.
- Submission of report card data online must be completed within 20 minutes to avoid a system time out.
- Sport fishing report cards may be reported online only after the last day of the report card’s validity.
- If you report online, you do not need to mail in your report card. You will be issued a report confirmation number. After reporting, please retain your report card for 90 days for survey purposes and write your report confirmation number on it. Once a report card has been reported, it may no longer be used in the field.

ONLINE HARVEST REPORTING IS AVAILABLE ON THESE DATES

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* Late reporting occurs after the regulatory deadline.

If you have not reported your harvest by the dates listed above, please mail your harvest report card to the address listed on the report card immediately.

Non-return Fee
Remember, a $21.60 non-return fee will be charged when purchasing a spiny lobster report card if the previous year’s report card is not returned or reported online by the April 30 deadline! To avoid the fee, you may either return your card by the deadline or skip one fishing season to be able to purchase a spiny lobster report card the following season at no extra cost. Thanks very much in advance for your cooperation and input!

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- License agents
- Boating facilities
- Marine Protected Areas
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HELP FISH LIKE THIS survive!

Fish floating at the surface like this can survive...with your help.

When fish that possess swim bladders are brought up from depth, decreasing pressure may injure them (known as pressure shock, or ‘barotrauma’). When released, these fish often float helplessly at the surface. Injured fish that cannot descend on their own are especially easy targets for sea gulls and sea lions. Helping fish to descend significantly increases their chances of survival.

You can transport injured fish down to the sea floor using one of the following:
- A weighted, inverted barbless hook
- A fish-descending device available at your local tackle shop
- An inverted, weighted plastic crate with a rope attached to the bottom

For more information visit the CDFW website at wildlife.ca.gov/conservation/marine赦groundfish/barotrauma or pick up an informational brochure at your local CDFW office.
GENERAL SPORT REGULATIONS

Daily bag limit
2 salmon of any species except coho.

Possession limit
No more than two daily bag limits may be possessed when on land. On a vessel in ocean waters, no person shall possess or bring ashore more than one daily bag limit.

Retention of coho salmon or steelhead trout is prohibited in any ocean fishery.

Salmon may not be filleted on any boat or prior to being brought ashore.

Salmon may only be taken by angling as defined in Section 1.05. No sinkers or weights exceeding 4 lbs may be used, except that a fishing line may be attached to a sinker or weight of any size if such sinker or weight is suspended by a separate line and the fishing line is released automatically by a mechanical device from the sinker or weight when any fish is hooked.

North of Point Conception
No more than two single-point, single-shank barbless hooks shall be used and no more than one rod per angler when fishing for salmon or fishing from a boat with salmon on board.

Horse Mountain to Point Conception
When fishing with bait and angling by any means other than Trolling, no more than two single-point, single-shank barbless Circle Hooks shall be used. The distance between the two hooks must not exceed 5 inches when measured from the top of the eye of the top hook to the inner base of the curve of the lower hook and both hooks must be permanently tied in place (hard tied).

Note: These special gear restrictions apply to each angler fishing for salmon or fishing from any boat or floating device with salmon on board.

1. Trolling is defined as angling from a boat or floating device that is making way by means of a source of power, other than drifting by means of the prevailing water current or weather conditions.

2. A Circle Hook is defined as a hook with a generally circular shape and a point which turns inwards, pointing directly to the shank at a 90-degree angle.

OR/CA BORDER TO HORSE MOUNTAIN
June 1 - September 3
• Minimum size limit: 20 inches total length

HORSE MOUNTAIN TO POINT ARENA (FORT BRAGG)
June 17 - October 31
• Minimum size limit: 20 inches total length

POINT ARENA TO PIGEON POINT (SAN FRANCISCO)
June 17 - October 31
• Minimum size limit: 20 inches total length

PIGEON POINT TO U.S./MEXICO BORDER (MONTEREY BAY AND SOUTH)
April 7 - July 2
• Minimum size limit: 24 inches total length

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By utilizing iBooks on Apple devices or your favorite book reader on the Android platform you can download the regulations booklet for reference at any time. Regulation booklets can be found online at wildlife.ca.gov/regulations.
1.73. SALMON
(a) Salmon includes Chinook, coho, pink, chum, and sockeye salmon.
(b) Any person in possession of a recreationally taken salmon with a missing adipose fin (the small, fleshy fin on the back of the fish between the back fin and tail) shall immediately relinquish the head of the salmon, upon request by an authorized agent or employee of the department, to facilitate the recovery of any coded-wire tag. The head may be removed by the fish owner or, if removed by the official department representative, the head shall be removed in a manner to minimize loss of salmon flesh and the salmon shall immediately be returned to the fish owner.

27.75. SALMON CLOSURES
(a) No salmon may be taken at any time in ocean waters at the Smith River mouth bounded on the north by 41°59'36" N. lat. (approximately 3 nautical miles north of the Smith River mouth), on the west by 124°16'24" W. long. (approximately 3 nautical miles offshore), and on the south by 41°53'30" N. lat. (approximately 3 nautical miles south of the Smith River mouth).
(b) No salmon may be taken at any time in ocean waters at the Klamath River mouth bounded on the north by 41°38'48" N. lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles north of the Klamath River mouth), on the west by 124°08'54" W. long. (approximately 12 nautical miles offshore), and on the south by 41°26'48" N. lat. (approximately 12 nautical miles south of the Klamath River mouth).
(c) No salmon may be taken during the months of August and September in ocean waters at the Eel River mouth bounded on the north by 40°40'24" N. lat. (approximately 2 nautical miles north of the Eel River mouth), on the west by 124°21'24" W. long. (approximately 2 nautical miles offshore), and on the south by 40°36'24" N. lat. (approximately 2 nautical miles south of the Eel River mouth).

To Avoid Contact With Coho Salmon:
• Fish near shore for Chinook—coho are usually more offshore.
• Use larger lures that select for large Chinook and reduce the coho catch.
ANADROMOUS FISH IDENTIFICATION

Steelhead Rainbow Trout
- White gums and tongue.
- Base of teeth all black.
- Narrow light gray band at base of bottom teeth.

Chinook Salmon
- Base of teeth all black.

Coho Salmon
- Narrow light gray band at base of bottom teeth.

27.80. SALMON
(a) Methods of take:
(1) General Provisions. Only by angling as defined in Section 1.05. No sinkers or weights exceeding four pounds may be used, except that a fishing line may be attached to a sinker or weight of any size if such sinker or weight is suspended by a separate line and the fishing line is released automatically by a mechanical device from the sinker or weight when any fish is hooked. See sections 28.65 and 28.70.
(2) Barbless Hooks. No more than two (2) single point, single shank barbless hooks shall be used in the ocean north of Point Conception (34°27'00" N. lat.) when salmon fishing or fishing from any boat or floating device with salmon on board.
(3) Other Hook Restrictions. When fishing with bait in the ocean between Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and Point Conception, if angling by any means other than trolling, then no more than two (2) single point, single shank, barbless circle hooks shall be used. The distance between the two hooks must not exceed five inches when measured from the top of the eye of the top hook to the inner base of the curve of the lower hook, and both hooks must be permanently tied in place (hard tied). A circle hook is defined as a hook with a generally circular shape, and a point which turns inwards, pointing directly to the shank. Trolling is defined as angling from a boat or floating device that is making way by means of a source of power, other than drifting by means of the prevailing water current or weather conditions. See Section 28.65(g).
(4) One Rod Restriction north of Point Conception. Salmon may be taken by angling with no more than one rod in ocean waters north of Point Conception. See Section 28.65(e).
(b) Statewide Coho (silver) Salmon Restrictions: No coho (silver) salmon may be retained.
(c) Open Fishing Days, Daily Bag Limits, and Minimum Size in effect April 7 through April 30, 2018.
(1) North of Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and in Humboldt Bay.
(A) Open to salmon fishing from April 7 to April 30, 2018. Fishing is authorized 7 days per week.
(B) Daily Bag Limit: 2 salmon per day. See subsection (b) above and subsection (e) below.
(C) Minimum Size: 24 inches total length.
(2) Between Horse Mountain and Point Arena (38°57'30" N. lat.).
(A) Open to salmon fishing from April 7 to April 30, 2018. Fishing is authorized 7 days per week.
(B) Daily Bag Limit: 2 salmon per day. See subsection (b) above and subsection (e) below.
(C) Minimum Size: 24 inches total length.
(3) Between Point Arena and Pigeon Point (37°11'00" N. lat.).
(A) Open to salmon fishing.
(B) Daily Bag Limit: 2 salmon per day. See subsection (b) above and subsection (e) below.
(C) Minimum Size: 24 inches total length.
(d) Open Fishing Days, Daily Bag Limits, and Minimum Size in effect on or after May 1, 2018.
(1) North of Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and in Humboldt Bay.
(A) Open to salmon fishing from June 1 through September 3, 2018. Fishing is authorized 7 days per week.
(B) Daily Bag Limit: 2 salmon per day. See subsection (b) above and subsection (e) below.
(C) Minimum Size: 20 inches total length.
(2) Between Horse Mountain and Point Arena (38°57'30" N. lat.).
(A) Open to salmon fishing from June 17 through October 31, 2018. Fishing is authorized 7 days per week.
(B) Daily Bag Limit: 2 salmon per day. See subsection (b) above and subsection (e) below.
(C) Minimum Size: 20 inches total length.
(3) Between Point Arena and Pigeon Point (37°11'00" N. lat.).
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(C) Minimum Size: 20 inches total length.
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(B) Daily Bag Limit: 2 salmon per day. See subsection (b) above and subsection (e) below.

(C) Minimum Size: 24 inches total length.

(e) Ocean salmon possession limit: No more than two daily bag limits may be possessed when on land. On a vessel in ocean waters, no person shall possess or bring ashore more than one daily bag limit.

See Section 1.17 and 27.60(c) of these regulations.

§28.20. HALIBUT, PACIFIC

(a) Season:
(1) Pacific halibut may be taken only from May 1 through June 15, July 1 through 15, August 1 through 15, and September 1 through October 31 or until the quota is reached, whichever is earlier. Pacific halibut take is regulated by a quota that is closely monitored each year in alignment with federal regulations.
(2) The Pacific halibut quota is published in the Federal Register 83 FR 13090 (March 26, 2018). (April 20, 2017). The department shall inform the commission, and the public via a press release, prior to any implementation of restrictions triggered by achieving or expecting to exceed the quota. Anglers and divers are advised to check the current rules before fishing. The latest fishing rules may be found on the department’s website at: wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Ocean, or by calling the Recreational Groundfish Fishing Regulations Hotline (831) 649-2801 or the National Marine Fisheries Service Area 2A Halibut Hotline (800) 662-9825 for recorded information, or by contacting a department office.
(b) Limit: One.
(c) Minimum size: None.
(d) Methods of Take:
(1) When angling, no more than one line with two hooks attached may be used.
(2) A harpoon, gaff, or net may be used to assist in taking a Pacific halibut that has been legally caught by angling. See Section 28.95 of these regulations for additional restrictions on the use of harpoons.
(3) Take by spearfishing is allowed pursuant to Section 28.90 of these regulations.

HAVE YOU SEEN ME?

Chinese mitten crabs are nonnative, invasive species that pose a serious threat to California’s economy and aquatic ecosystems. They clog fish screens and impede water delivery, burrow into levees weakening infrastructure and increasing erosion, prey on, compete with, and transfer diseases to native species, and damage rice crops through excessive foraging. Chinese mitten crabs invaded the San Francisco Bay in 1992 and by 1996 had spread to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. They experienced a population boom in 1997, and by 1998 could be found over 100 miles north and east of the Bay in the Sacramento and San Joaquin River watersheds. Chinese mitten crabs have mysteriously disappeared from the Delta and are now only rarely seen in San Francisco Bay.

Have you seen any Chinese mitten crabs?

Report sightings of Chinese mitten crabs to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Invasive Species Program by calling 866-440-9530 or sending an email to invasives@wildlife.ca.gov. Additionally, if you catch a Chinese mitten crab, do not release it back into the water! Any Chinese mitten crabs that are caught should be killed immediately and preserved in alcohol or frozen for later identification by CDFW staff.

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INCREASE TO CANARY ROCKFISH DAILY BAG LIMIT

Effective April 14, 2018, the sub-bag limit for canary rockfish increased from one fish to two fish within the RCG Complex daily bag limit of 10 fish. (See press release at https://bit.ly/2HasvK0)

For more information regarding groundfish regulations please visit the CDFW Marine Region Groundfish web page at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Marine/Groundfish or call the Groundfish Regulations hotline at (831) 649-2801.

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KNOW YOUR RESTRICTED ROCKFISH... THEY CAN BE EASILY MISIDENTIFIED

![Yelloweye Rockfish](image1)

**Yelloweye Rockfish**

- **Body Color:**
  - Orange-red to red
- Smooth chin when rubbed back to front
- Anal fin rounded

![Cowcod](image2)

**Cowcod**

- **Body Color:**
  - Pink to orange-red
- Dorsal fin has deeply notched spines
- Wide gap between eye and mouth
- Relatively large head and mouth

![Vermilion Rockfish](image3)

**Vermilion Rockfish**

- **Body Color:**
  - Orange-red to red with dark motting
- May have black-tipped fins
- Tail fin straight
- Anal fin rounded

![Canary Rockfish](image4)

**Canary Rockfish (limited retention)**

- **Body Color:**
  - Bright orange
- Black spots present on smaller fish
- Tail fin slightly forked
- Anal fin slanted

**ATTENTION: Juvenile Yelloweye Rockfish**

Yelloweye rockfish less than 12 in. long usually have two horizontal white stripes along the sides, which fade with age.

For more information, please contact your local California Department of Fish and Wildlife office.
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