



ODFW INDUSTRY NOTICE TO COMMERCIAL GROUND FISH FISHERS AND PROCESSORS

December 18, 2019

Commercial Nearshore Regulations Effective January 1, 2020

This notice details two-month cumulative trip limits, harvest guidelines and changes to Black Rockfish Management Area regulations for 2020.

On December 6th, the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission adopted commercial nearshore groundfish regulations for 2020. These regulations include two-month cumulative trip limits, harvest guidelines and a change to regulations for Black Rockfish Management Areas (BRMAs). **Beginning January 1, 2020 the trip landing limit during Period 1 and Period 6, only, while fishing in any BRMA will be 500 pounds. This is a 200 pound increase.** The BRMA trip limit for Periods 2 through Period 5 remains at 300 pounds per trip for all areas.

2-Month Cumulative Trip Limits – No vessel may land more than the following amounts:

For vessels with a Black Rockfish and Blue Rockfish Permit WITH or WITHOUT a Nearshore Endorsement

- **Black Rockfish**
 - **Period 1, January-February:** 1,500 pounds
 - **Period 2, March-April:** 1,500 pounds
 - **Period 3, May-June:** 1,800 pounds
 - **Period 4, July-August:** 1,800 pounds
 - **Period 5, September-October:** 1,500 pounds
 - **Period 6, November-December:** 1,500 pounds
- **Blue & Deacon Rockfish combined:** 1,500 pounds per period

For vessels with a Black Rockfish and Blue Rockfish Permit WITHOUT a Nearshore Endorsement

- **All other Nearshore Fish species combined:** 15 pounds per day, not to exceed 25% of total landing by weight or cumulative trip limits for permits with a Nearshore Endorsement (below).

For vessels with a Black Rockfish and Blue Rockfish Permit WITH a Nearshore Endorsement

- **Other Nearshore Rockfish combined:** 450 pounds per period
- **Cabezon:** 1,000 pounds per period
- **Greenling:** 1,000 pounds per period

2020 Harvest Guidelines (landings plus all other mortality)

- **Black Rockfish:** 122.9 metric tons
- **Blue and Deacon Rockfish:** 18.3 metric tons
- **Other Nearshore:** 12.2 metric tons
- **Cabezon:** 30.2 metric tons
- **Greenling:** 118.3 metric tons

Complete current Oregon Administrative Rules can be found at <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/OARs>. Click **COMMERCIAL FISHERIES OTHER THAN SALMON OR SHELLFISH** for OAR 635-004-0270 through 635-004-0365.

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