



Industry Notice

Commercial Nearshore

August 27, 2021

Commercial Nearshore Regulations Effective August 27, 2021

This notice details two-month period limit increases for Black Rockfish and Cabezon for periods 5-6. Landings of Black Rockfish and Cabezon are running below average and allow for increases. Trip limit increases for remaining 2021 periods are underlined below. These increases will allow additional opportunity to attain a larger portion of the state Black Rockfish and Cabezon harvest guidelines. ODFW will continue to track landings in-season and make additional adjustments as needed.

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: 1,800 pounds
 - Period 3, May-June: 2,100 pounds
 - Period 4, July-August: 2,100 pounds
 - Period 5, September-October: 2,700 pounds – this is a 900 pound increase
 - Period 6, November-December: 2,700 pounds – this is a 1,200 pound increase
- 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 (see reverse for list):** 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: 2,000 pounds per period – this is a 500 pound increase
- Greenling: 1,000 pounds per period

Complete current Oregon Administrative Rules can be found at <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/displayChapterRules.action?selectedChapter=81>. Click *Division 4 - COMMERCIAL FISHERIES OTHER THAN SALMON OR SHELLFISH* for OAR 635-004-0270 through 635-004-0365.

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State of Oregon Nearshore Fish Species

a. Black Rockfish

b. Blue Rockfish

c. Nearshore fish under the nearshore endorsement:

• **Other Nearshore Rockfish**

- Black and Yellow Rockfish
- Brown Rockfish
- Calico Rockfish
- China Rockfish
- Copper Rockfish
- Gopher Rockfish
- Grass Rockfish
- Kelp Rockfish
- Olive Rockfish
- Quillback Rockfish
- Treefish

• **Shelf Rockfish***

- Tiger Rockfish
- Vermilion Rockfish

• **Greenling**

- Kelp Greenling
- Painted Greenling
- Rock Greenling
- Whitespotted Greenling

• **Cabezon**

• **Buffalo Sculpin**

• **Red Irish Lord**

• **Brown Irish Lord**

*You must have a nearshore endorsement to land more than the incidental amount of Tiger and Vermilion Rockfish. Landings of these species apply toward each fisher's federal shelf rockfish trip limit, and not toward the state trip limits or annual harvest guidelines.

Selected 2021 Federal Fixed Gear Trip Limits North of 40° 10' Latitude

For complete and current federal trip limits, please see:

<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/species/west-coast-groundfish#commercial>

Current federal trip limits for 2021 Lingcod and Canary Rockfish are listed below. It is the responsibility of each fisher to know and comply with federal trip limits that are in effect at any given time.

2021 Limits w/ In-season adjustments

| <u>Species</u> | <u>Federal Open Access</u> | <u>Federal Limited Entry</u> |
|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Lingcod | 2,000 / month | 4,000 / 2-month period |
| Canary Rockfish | 1,000 / 2-month period | 3,000 / 2-month period |

For the purposes of federal trip limits, only vessels with a federal Pacific Coast Groundfish Limited Entry Permit are considered Limited Entry.