

ROCKFISH PROGRAM CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA COOPERATIVE FISHERIES - 2009

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Area	Fishery	Effective date	Status	Reason
CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA, COOPERATIVE FISHERY, Catcher Processors (CPs)				
	Northern rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Pacific ocean perch	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Thornyhead rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Sablefish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Shortraker rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Rougheye rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Halibut	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg

CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA, COOPERATIVE FISHERY, Catcher Vessels (CVs)

	Northern rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Pelagic shelf rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Pacific ocean perch	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Thornyhead rockfish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Sablefish	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Pacific cod	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg
	Halibut	1-May	Open	Reg
		15-Nov	Bycatch	Reg

Gulf of Alaska (GOA) notes:

- (1) Areas around Steller sea lion rookeries and certain walrus sites closed (679.22).
- (2) Trawling in the BSAI and GOA is closed from January 1, until noon on January 20. (679.23).
- (3) Use of any gear other than nontrawl gear is prohibited at all times in Southeast Outside District (Figure 3. 679.22(b)(4)).
- (4) Chiniak Gully Research Area (679.22(b)(3)) closure for federally permitted vessels using trawl gear from August 1 through September 20 has been rescinded (See information bulletin #09-05).
- (5) Sitka Pinnacles Marine Reserve. No vessel required to have a Federal fisheries permit may fish for groundfish or anchor in the Sitka Pinnacles Marine Reserve (679.22(b)(5) and Figure 18).
- (6) Kodiak Island, trawls other than pelagic trawls see closures at 679.22(b)(1).
- (7) Cook Inlet. No person may use a non-pelagic trawl in waters of the EEZ of Cook Inlet north of a line from Cape Douglas to Point Adam (679.22(b)(7)).

NOTES:

BYCATCH = Directed fishery closed. Defined at 50 CFR 679.20(e) and (f).

HAL = Halibut

ICA = Incidental catch allowance

OPEN = Directed fishery open as noted. Defined at 50 CFR 679.20(e) and (f).

PSC = Species must be treated in the same manner as a prohibited species. Defined at 50 CFR 679.21(b).

Reg = Regulations

Spec = Groundfish Harvest Specifications

TAC = Total allowable catch

For species group definitions, please refer to the footnotes in Table 1 of the harvest specifications at

BSAI

http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/specs09_10/bsaitable1.pdf

GOA

http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/specs09_10/goatable1.pdf