

Cowfish / *Acanthostracion* sp.**A - IMMATURE**TRANSPARENT TO
TRANSLUCID GONADS

WITHOUT EGGS

**B - DEVELOPING**non-hydrated eggs
SOMETIMES visible

OPAQUE GONADS

**C - SPAWNING**AT LEAST 1 VISIBLE
HYDRATED EGG**D - REGRESSION/REGENERATION**FEW HYDRATED
EGGS STILL PRESENTFLABBY GONADS AND
THICK INNER LAYERGeneral aspect
"stunted"

Cowfish / *Acanthostracion* sp.**E - OMITTED SPAWNING**

UNDETERMINABLE WITH THE NAKED EYE

F - ABNORMALNECROSIS,
SCLEROSIS OR
INTERSEX

Picture	Sex	Species	First maturity size
		<i>Acanthostracion polygonius</i>	NA
		<i>Acanthostracion quadricornis</i>	NA

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