

1- 4, 2001 (as part of the 2000 open fishing period for the southern area). However, once the 2001 regulations took effect on Mar. 5, 2001, this section of coast was closed again from Mar. 5 – Apr. 30 (as part of the central area under the 2001 regulations).

CALIFORNIA RECREATIONAL REGULATORY HISTORY, 2002

Northern Management Area ^{1, 2, 3}

California/Oregon Border to near Cape Mendocino (40° 10' N lat.)

Species	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Nearshore rockfish, California scorpionfish, Ocean whitefish, Shelf rockfish, Lingcod												
California sheephead ¹												
Cabazon ¹												
Greenlings (rock, kelp) ¹												
Sanddabs												

Central Management Area ^{1, 2, 3}

Near Cape Mendocino (40° 10' N lat.) to Point Conception (34° 27' N lat.)

Species	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Nearshore rockfish, California scorpionfish					20	20	20	20	20	20		
California sheephead ¹												
Cabazon ¹												
Greenlings (rock, kelp) ¹												
Ocean whitefish ²							20	20	20	20	20	20
Shelf rockfish ² , Lingcod ²					20	20	20	20	20	20		
Sanddabs												

Southern Management Area ^{1, 2, 3}

Point Conception (34° 27' N lat.) to the U.S./Mexico border

Species	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Nearshore rockfish, California scorpionfish ²							20	20	20	20		
California sheephead ¹												
Cabazon ¹												
Greenlings (rock, kelp) ¹												
Ocean whitefish ²							20	20	20	20	20	20
Shelf rockfish ² , Lingcod ²							20	20	20	20		
Sanddabs												

Notes for 2002:

1. Inseason emergency closure took effect for greenlings on July 1, cabazon on July 29, and California sheephead on November 1. Closures do not apply to shore-based anglers, or spearfishing from shore or a man-made structure.
2. The emergency closure for shelf rockfish, lingcod, California scorpionfish, and ocean whitefish went into effect July 1. Nearshore fishing was still allowed in waters shallower than 20 fathoms for nearshore rockfishes, California scorpionfish, and ocean whitefish. There was a special allowance for two shelf rockfish ONLY if taken incidental to nearshore fishing in less than 20 fathoms EXCLUDING bocaccio, canary, cowcod, and yelloweye rockfish, which could not be taken.
3. Management Area boundaries changed January 10, 2002.

CALIFORNIA RECREATIONAL REGULATORY HISTORY, 2003

Northern Management Area ^{2, 3}

California/Oregon Border to near Cape Mendocino (40° 10' N lat.)

Species	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Nearshore rockfish ³ , California scorpionfish ³												
California sheephead ² , Cabazon ² , Greenlings (rock, kelp) ²												
Ocean whitefish												
Shelf rockfish ³ , Lingcod ³												
Sanddabs												