

Proposed Regulatory Changes for the Market Squid Fishery



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History – Logbooks and Lighting

1999

- Voluntary logbook program implemented.
- Complaints about squid lights received.

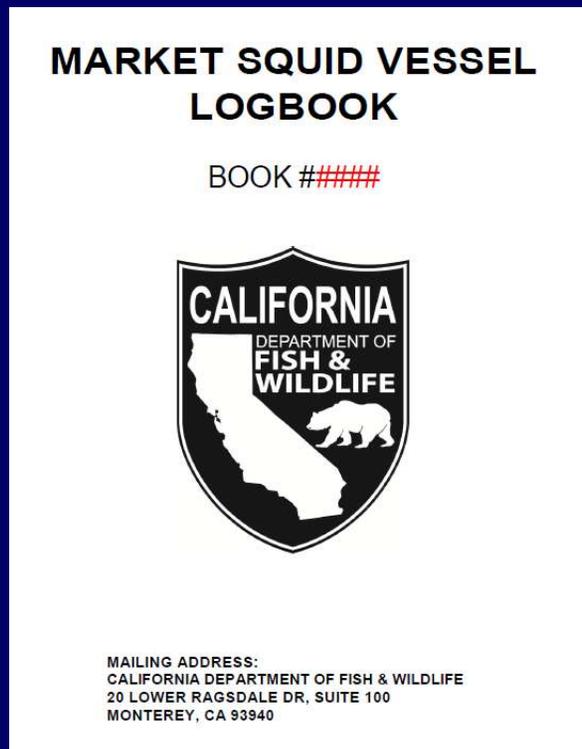
2000

- Commission adopted interim measures for logbooks and for light restrictions.

2005

- Requirements for logbooks and lighting restrictions were maintained with the adoption of the market squid fishery management plan (MSFMP).

Proposed Changes to Market Squid Fishery Regulations (§149)



Logbooks

Amend

- Subsection (e) of Section 149, Title 14, CCR to reflect the version numbers of updated market squid logbooks.
- Appendix A, Title 14, CCR with updated forms and instructions.

Logbooks

- **Update logbooks to comply with Forms Management requirements**
- **Improve instructions**
- **Improve quality of data that are received by the Department**



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Lights

Amend

- Subsection (f) of Section 149, Title 14 CCR to require the bulb or lamp be completely above the surface of the water while using lights to take squid.
- Subsection (g) to change units of measure from wattage to lumens and convert the maximum allowable amount from watts to lumens.
- Subsection (h) to replace “filament” with “bulb or lamp” and remove text that allows for illumination to be completely below the surface of the water.

Lights

- Disallow submerged lights
- Convert wattage to lumens
- Update regulatory text to reflect use of LED lights



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Conclusion

Logbooks

- Make improvements to the market squid logbooks and update associated version numbers in Section 149, Title 14 CCR.

Lights

- Disallow submerged lights and update regulatory text to reflect use of LED lights.

Timeline

- April 2015, Santa Rosa – Notice Hearing
- August 2015, Fortuna - Discussion/Adoption Hearing
- Early 2016 – Expected Implementation

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