

Regulatory Language

Section 27.80, Title 14, CCR is amended to read:

Option 1 - Varied season dates and regulations in subsection (c)

§27.80. Salmon.

(a) Methods of take:

(1) General Provisions. Only by angling as defined in Section 1.05. No sinkers or weights exceeding four pounds may be used, except that a fishing line may be attached to a sinker or weight of any size if such sinker or weight is suspended by a separate line and the fishing line is released automatically by a mechanical device from the sinker or weight when any fish is hooked. See sections 28.65 and 28.70.

(2) Barbless Hooks. No more than two (2) single point, single shank barbless hooks shall be used in the ocean north of Point Conception (34° 27'00" N. lat.) when salmon fishing or fishing from any boat or floating device with salmon on board.

(3) Other Hook Restrictions. When fishing with bait in the ocean between Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and Point Conception, if angling by any means other than trolling, then no more than two (2) single point, single shank, barbless circle hooks shall be used. The distance between the two hooks must not exceed five inches when measured from the top of the eye of the top hook to the inner base of the curve of the lower hook, and both hooks must be permanently tied in place (hard tied). A circle hook is defined as a hook with a generally circular shape, and a point which turns inwards, pointing directly to the shank at a 90 degree angle. Trolling is defined as angling from a boat or floating device that is making way by means of a source of power, other than drifting by means of the prevailing water current or weather conditions. See Section 28.65(g).

(4) One Rod Restriction north of Point Conception. Salmon may be taken by angling with no more than one rod in ocean waters north of Point Conception. See Section 28.65(e).

(b) Season:

~~(1) North of Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and Humboldt Bay. All waters of the ocean north of Horse Mountain and in Humboldt Bay are open to salmon fishing from May 14, 2011 through September 5, 2011.~~

~~Exception: The ocean area surrounding the Klamath River mouth bounded on the north by 41°38'48" N lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles north of the Klamath River mouth), on the south by 41°26'48" N lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles south of the Klamath River mouth), and extending 3 nautical miles offshore is closed to salmon fishing during August. No salmon may be taken at any time in ocean waters at the mouths of the Smith and Klamath rivers and during August and September at the mouth of the Eel River. See Section 27.75.~~

~~(2) Between Horse Mountain and Point Arena (38°57'30" N. lat.). All waters of the ocean between Horse Mountain and Point Arena are open to salmon fishing from April 2, 2011 through October 30, 2011.~~

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~~(5) South of Point Sur. All waters of the ocean south of Point Sur are open to salmon fishing from April 2, 2011 through September 18, 2011.~~

~~(c) Limit:~~

~~(1) Two salmon per day. See subsection (c)(2) below and Section 1.17.~~

~~(2) Statewide Silver (coho) Salmon Restrictions: No silver (coho) salmon may be retained.~~

~~(d) Minimum size:~~

~~(1) North of Horse Mountain: Twenty-four inches total length.~~

~~(2) South of Horse Mountain: Twenty-four inches total length.~~

~~(b) Statewide Coho (silver) Salmon Restrictions: No coho (silver) salmon may be retained.~~

(c) Open Fishing Days, Bag Limits, and Minimum Size in effect April 7 through April 30, 2012.

(1) North of Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and in Humboldt Bay.

(A) Closed to salmon fishing. The season will be decided in April by the Pacific Fishery Management Council and California Fish and Game Commission and this section will be amended pursuant to the regulatory process.

(2) Between Horse Mountain and Point Arena (38°57'30" N. lat.).

(A) All ocean waters open to salmon fishing [varied dates within the range from April 7 to April 30, may include periodic closures], 2012. Fishing is authorized [1-7] days per week [specify open days of week and date range as needed].

(B) Bag Limit: [1-2] salmon per day. See subsection (b) above and Section 1.17.

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(5) South of Point Sur.

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Note: Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 205, 220, 240, 316.5 and 2084, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 200, 202, 205, 316.5 and 2084, Fish and Game Code.

Option 2 Season closed

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Option 3

A possible combination of Option 1 and 2 may be developed after more information is available from the NMFS and PFMC. This may include different opening and closing dates, bag limits, size limits, days of week open and periodic closures among management areas.