SPECIES IDENTIFICATION CARD

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RETENTION OF ROCKFISH PROHIBITED IN CATCH RECORD AREAS 5-13. (See regulations for spearfishing.)

Yelloweye Rockfish
RETENTION PROHIBITED

- Adult
  - Bright yellow eye and raspy ridges above eye.
  - Fins usually have black edges. Juveniles have 1 or 2 white stripes along side of body.

- Juvenile

Number of fish released:

Canary Rockfish
RETENTION PROHIBITED

- Adults
  - Typically three stripes across side of head and gill plate. Body orange mottled with gray.

Number of fish released:

Tiger Rockfish

- Dark Version
  - 5 or 6 vertical bars on body.
  - Strong ridges between eyes.

- Adults
- Pink Version

Number of fish released:

Vermilion Rockfish

- Adults
  - Body reddish and mottled with gray.
  - Rough scales on upper jaw.

Number of fish released:

Black Rockfish

- Large mouth. Body mottled with gray, white belly. Anal fin rounded or slanted anteriorly.

Number of fish released:

Blue Rockfish

- Small mouth. Vague dark bars across forehead.
  - Anal fin vertical or slanted posteriorly.

Number of fish released:

Widow Rockfish

- Small mouth, anal fin slanted posteriorly.

Number of fish released:

Bocaccio Rockfish

- Body orange, olive or brown. Large mouth extending upwards. Slightly concave between mouth and dorsal fin.

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**Copper Rockfish**
- Adults
- Light colored band along the last 2/3 of lateral line.

**Quillback Rockfish**
- Adults
- Freckles on head and/or throat. Yellowish saddle markings.

**Yellowtail Rockfish**
- Large mouth, fins yellowish. May have pale patches or spots on back.

**China Rockfish**
- Yellowish white freckles. Broad yellow stripe starting on dorsal fin, along lateral line.

**Brown Rockfish**
- Dark brown patch or spot on gill cover. Underside of throat and lower jaw pinkish. Fins may be pinkish

**Lingcod**
- Large mouth and large teeth. Deep notch in long dorsal fin. Elongated body.

**Kelp Greenling-Male**
- Small mouth, small teeth. Deep notch in dorsal fin. Blue spots may be faint except when breeding, when they become almost neon.

**Kelp Greenling-Female**

**Cabezon**
- A flap of skin above eye and on snout. Body with a marbled pattern. Pelvic fin with 1 spine and 5 rays.