

## How the Program Works

The California Fishing Passport lists 150 different species of fresh and saltwater finfish and shellfish that occur throughout the state. With this passport book as your guide, you are challenged to try to catch and document all of the different species listed.

For each species caught, you may receive a stamp in this passport book documenting your achievements. Catch and release practices are encouraged whenever possible, and even released fish qualify for stamps.

Here's all you need to do:

1. For each species caught, fill in the catch report section of your book with all data requested (right).



2. Take a clear, side-view, color photo of your fish to verify the species.

3. If no photo is taken, have your fishing partner or another witness who can certify the authenticity of your catch sign your book.

4. Take your book and any verifying photos to a CDFW office or to

any authorized stamping agent to verify and stamp your book. A list of all stamping locations is posted on our website at [www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Passport/Stamps](http://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Passport/Stamps), and available at any license office.

