



Your Guide to a Lifetime of Fishing Adventures California



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Dalifornia is a state of remarkable

Inatural resources and diverse outdoor recreational opportunities. With 1,100 miles of ocean coastline, 220,000 square miles of ocean waters, 4,172

lakes and reservoirs, 29,664 miles of streams and rivers, and 1,800 miles of bay and delta waters, California has more fishing opportunities than any other state in the country.



The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has designed the California Fishing Passport program to help showcase these vast resources and to encourage and guide people who want to take a lifetime journey throughout the

> state in pursuit of new outdoor fishing experiences.

The California Fishing Passport program highlights many of the state's fishing opportunities within ocean waters, lakes and reservoirs, streams and rivers, and the delta system, and challenges participants to try to catch one of every finfish and shellfish species listed in the passport book.

From the first-time angler who wants to feel the sensation of that first bite...



to those who enjoy spending quality time in the outdoors fishing with friends and family... to those who wish to passionately pursue the wide variety of different and unique fishing opportunities that only California can offer... the California Fishing Passport challenge has something for everyone!

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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

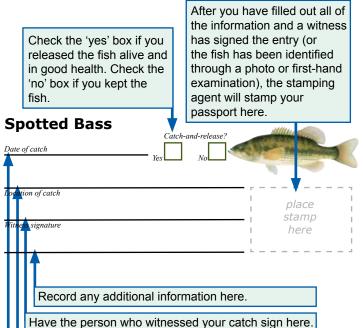
any authorized stamping agent to verify and stamp your book. A list of all stamping locations is posted on our website at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Passport/ Stamps, and available at any license office.



How To Use Your Passport

This passport is your personal record of the finfish and shellfish you've caught in California. The passport gives you a place to record catches of the most popular species in California, and any others you may catch along the way (see page 56).

Follow the instructions below to properly record catching each species. To qualify for angler recognition awards, be sure to have a witness sign your passport (or take a photo of the catch), and have a stamping agent stamp each species entry.



Record the location where you caught the finfish or shellfish here.

Record the date you caught the finfish or shellfish here.

California Fishing Passport Resources

California Fishing Passport Home Page www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Passport

The California Fishing Passport program home page is the central hub for "all things Passport." Here you'll find lots of useful information about the program, including:

- < How the program works
- 鰎 California Fishing Passport Community
- **Here Fishing resources**
- **Awards for different levels of achievement and a list of award winners**
- A Dates of future California Fishing Passport events & Passport news
- Where to get a California Fishing Passport and a finfish & shellfish identification book
- Information about California Fishing Passport Sponsors
- Hink to CDFW's Online Fishing Guide (right)

For more information about the California Fishing Passport program, check with your local CDFW office or e-mail program staff at **passport@wildlife.ca.gov**.

California Sport Fishing Records www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Records

Attention anglers and divers! Before you head out on your next fishing trip, you may want to review CDFW's current list of saltwater and freshwater state fishing records. You never know... the next bass, crab, or lobster you catch may just be a new state record!

The state fishing and diving records program recognizes the largest fish and shellfish caught over the years from a wide range of fishing locations throughout California.

To review the current state records and find out how to submit fish and shellfish for consideration as state record catches, visit the CDFW website.

Department of Fish and Wildlife Online Fishing Guide (mobile and desktop) www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Guide

To help you plan your fishing day, CDFW has developed an online map-based **Fishing Guide** that contains hundreds of great recreational fishing locations throughout the state. It contains a variety of information for anglers, including:

- **Here are a set of the set of the**
 - **Methods and a set of the set of**
- **Historically good places to fish**
 - 🖇 Boat launches
 - **Here is a set of the set of the**
 - Marine protected areas
 - nters quagga mussel-infested waters

Check out the mobile device-friendly Fishing Guide at www.dfg.ca.gov/mobile/!

Inland Warmwater Fishes ক

W armwater fishing in California covers a broad range of fish and



fishing techniques. At one extreme is the simplicity of a youngster fishing for bluegill in a farm pond with a willow pole and a worm on a hook. At the other end of the scale may be the finesse and sophistication of a tournament bass angler in search of a 'kicker' fish, tearing across the lake in a fiberglass boat full of a variety of rods and reels, fish finders, and the latest custom-colored, handmade, artificial lures.

The common link among warmwater fishing experiences is that the anglers target fish that prefer water temperatures generally too warm for trout. This is not to say that trout and warmwater fish cannot occur in the same body of water. Many of California's lakes and reservoirs support excellent "two-story" fisheries where warmwater species such as bass and sunfish can be caught in warmer surface waters and trout in deeper, cooler areas.

Warmwater fish can be found throughout California in urban and rural streams, rivers, ponds, lakes, and reservoirs, and can provide excellent sport and good table fare. They have not only introduced millions to the sport of fishing, they continue to provide a lifetime of angling challenges for many.

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| Redeye Bass | Catch-and-release? | |
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| Smallmouth Bass | Catch-and-release? | |
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| Spotted Bass | Catch-and-release? | |
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| | Striped Bass (landlocked) Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No |
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| | White Bass Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No |
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| | Black Bullhead Catch-and-release? Date of catch No |
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| Yellow Bullhead | Catch-and-release? | |
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| Blue Catfish | Catch-and-release? | |
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| Channel Catfish | Catch-and-release? | |
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| Flathead Catfish | Catch-and-release? | |
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| Inland Warmwater | Fishes | |
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| | White Catfish | Catch-and-release? Yes No |
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| | Common Carp | Catch-and-release? Yes No |
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| | White Crappie | Catch-and-release? Yes No |
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Inland Warmwater Fishes

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| | Pumpkinseed | Catch-and-release? |
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| | Green Sunfish | Catch-and-release? |
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| | Redear Sunfish | Catch-and-release? |
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| | Warmouth | Catch-and-release? |
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| Tilapia | Catch-and-release? | |
| Date of catch | Yes No | |
| Location of catch | | place |
| Witness signature | | ı here ı |

Practice Safe and Responsible Fishing

I do not transport fish, live bait, or water plants between waterways – it can be

harmful and it is illegal.



Trophy Black Bass Recognition Program

Hankering to catch a trophysized bass? You're in the right state! Twenty of the 25 heftiest largemouth caught worldwide

were taken from California waters.

To recognize anglers who land California's monster black bass, CDFW created the Trophy Black Bass Angler program as part of the Black Bass Conservation and Management Act of 1980. This program:

Recognizes the extraordinary accomplishment of landing a trophy bass

Helps CDFW maintain records of trophy bass landings

Assists CDFW managers produce more trophy bass in designated waters

To qualify, bass must meet or exceed the following weight criteria:

largemouth bass: 10 lb. smallmouth bass: 6 lb. spotted bass: 6 lb.

Two witnesses are required for the weighing and measuring of the fish. CDFW will award a certificate of recognition, suitable for framing, to anglers who catch verified trophy black bass; anglers who catch and release their trophy bass also receive a California Trophy Bass catch-and-release hat or lapel pin.

If you've successfully caught a trophy-sized black bass, complete and mail a Trophy Black Bass application form along with supporting documentation to CDFW. Application forms are available on the Trophy Black Bass Certificate Program website and at all CDFW offices. For more information about the Trophy Black Bass Angler Recognition Program, call (916) 323-5556 or visit

www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Inland/Black-Bass

Inland Coldwater Fishes Marco



alifornia's more than 4,100 lakes and reservoirs and

nearly 30,000 miles of streams and rivers provide ample coldwater fishing opportunities for anglers of all ages. Both novice and experienced anglers can pursue the wily trout and other coldwater fishes from California's clear mountain lakes down to the streams and rivers emptying into the Pacific.

California has 12 native species, sub-species, or forms of trout. The coastal rainbow trout (including the anadromous form, popularly known as *steelhead*) is the most common and widely recognized of the state's native trout, while the beautifully colored California golden trout is the State Fish. Several species of trout and char have been successfully introduced into California as well, including brown trout, brook and lake trout (actually chars), and kokanee (the landlocked form of sockeye salmon).

To help manage the state's trout fisheries, CDFW operates 14 trout hatcheries and facilities that annually produce and distribute nearly 16 million trout weighing 4 to 5 million pounds. By carefully managing trout populations, CDFW helps to provide a diversity of trout fishing opportunities for all anglers.

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| | Rainbow Trout (inland) Catch-and-release? Date of catch Ves No |
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| | Brown Trout Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No |
| place stamp here | Location of catch Witness signature |
| | Brook Trout Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No |
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| | Lake Trout Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No No |
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| | Inland Coldwater | Fishes |
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| Mountain Whitefish | ease? | |
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| Chinook Salmon (landloc | | |
| Date of catch Yes No | | |
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| hooks, and trash. | Yes 📃 🔍 🐧 | |

The California Heritage Trout Challenge!

Trout have inhabited California waters from the Sierras to the Pacific Ocean since prehistoric times. California's native trout include:

- Coastal rainbow
- Eagle Lake rainbow
- McCloud River redband
- Goose Lake redband
- Warner Lakes redband
- Kern River rainbow
- California golden
- Little Kern golden
- Coastal cutthroat
- Lahontan cutthroat



Paiute cutthroat

To raise awareness of California's native or "heritage" trout, CDFW developed the Heritage Trout Challenge, which tests anglers' abilities to catch six different forms of native trout from historic California drainages. Completing the Heritage Trout Challenge may require anglers to visit various locations around the state, from roadside

streams to remote areas high in the Sierras.

Anglers who take the Heritage Trout Challenge may take as long as they wish to catch the six trout and qualify for this special award—there are no time limits.

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Native trout caught in the appropriate waters and verified with a photo will qualify, even if caught years ago.

Anglers who successfully meet the Heritage Trout Challenge will receive a certificate of recognition suitable for framing, illustrated by reknowned artist Joseph Tomelleri.

If you've succeded in catching six California native trout from historic drainages, complete and mail a Heritage Trout Challenge application form along with supporting documentation to CDFW. Application forms are available at any CDFW office or on the Heritage Trout Challenge web page. For more information, including a list of historic heritage trout drainages, visit the Heritage Trout Challenge Web site at:

www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Inland/HTC

| Inland Coldwater Fisl | hes :: Heritage Trout |
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| California Golden Trout | |
| Date of catch Yes No | C. POSSESSON CONTRACTOR |
| Location of catch | place stamp |
| Witness signature | i here i |
| Coastal Cutthroat Trout Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No | |
| Location of catch | |
| Witness signature | stamp i i here i |
| Coastal Rainbow Trout (stream resident or sea-run) Catch-and-release? | |
| Location of catch | |
| Witness signature | - stamp i i here i |
| If sea-run trout is not used to complete Challenge, place stamp in A Eagle Lake Rainbow Trout (from Eagle Lake only) Catch-and-release? | Inadromous Species section |
| Date of catch Yes No | |
| Location of catch | place stamp |
| Witness signature | here i |
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| | Goose Lake Redband Trout |
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| | Kern River Rainbow Trout Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No |
| place stamp here | Location of catch Witness signature |
| | Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No |
| place stamp here | Location of catch Witness signature |
| | Little Kern Golden Trout Catch-and-release? |
| l place stamp here | Location of catch Witness signature |

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| Inla | nd Coldwater Fishes :: Heritage Trout |
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| McCloud River F | Redband Trout Catch-and-release? Yes No |
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| Warner Lakes R | edband Trout Catch-and-release? yes No |
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Restoring California's Native Paiute Cutthroat Trout

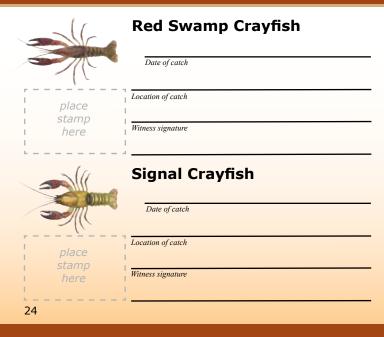


Catching a Paiute cutthroat trout is a very difficult task for anglers these days, given the trout's limited population and protective fishing regulations. For these reasons, the California Fishing Passport program is not currently encouraging anglers to pursue this trout. However CDFW, federal agencies, and conservation groups are working hard to restore Paiute cutthroat trout populations to native drainages. When the restoration projects have been completed, we hope that anglers will have a better opportunity to catch one of the world's rarest trout, and add the accomplishment to their passports!





Inland, Crayfish are harvested both for human consumption and for bait in California. The native signal crayfish resides in rivers, streams, lakes, and reservoirs among rocks and aquatic weeds where they may be observed foraging along the bottom. The introduced red swamp crayfish prefers sloughs, canals, and ditches where the water is relatively warm and vegetation is plentiful. CDFW encourages anglers to pursue crayfish, however be sure to obtain landowner permission if you plan to venture onto private lands.



Anadromous *Fishes*

Anadromous fishes begin their lives in fresh water, migrate to the ocean to grow and mature,



and eventually swim back to fresh water to lay their eggs (spawn). Some migrate from hundreds of miles out at sea to hundreds of miles upriver, while others only move from brackish water a short distance into fresh water to spawn.

The anadromous fish that most people are familiar with is the Chinook salmon. Because they're fun to catch and very tasty to eat, they are highly valued by both recreational anglers and commercial fishermen. Chinook salmon spawning runs can attract crowds that gather just to watch them in their upstream journeys to spawn. In addition to salmon, there are numerous other anadromous game fishes living in California's rivers, streams, deltas, and ocean waters, including sturgeon, striped bass, trout, and shad.

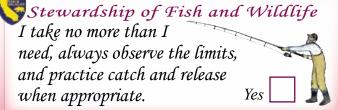
California provides many unique fishing opportunities for anadromous fishes. The extensive Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and the San Francisco Bay estuary system both provide anglers with good access to anadromous fishes at various geographic locations throughout the year.

Anadromous Fishes

| | American Shad Although American shad are anadromous fish, they are usually caught in fresh water. Catch-and-release? |
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| | Date of catch Yes No |
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| here | Witness signature |
| | Striped Bass |
| | Catch-and-release? Date of freshwater catch Yes No |
| stamp for | Location of freshwater catch |
| Freshwater-caught here | Witness signature Catch-and-release? |
| stamp for | Date of saltwater catch Yes No |
| ı Saltwater-caught I here I | Location of satiwater catch |
| | ⁴ Witness signature Coastal Rainbow Trout (sea-run) Also known as "steelhead" |
| | Catch-and-release? <u>Yes</u> No |
| ı place ı stamp | Location of catch |
| here | Witness signature |
| | NOTE: It is illegal to target or keep sea-run coastal rainbow trout while fishing in the ocean. |

Anadromous Fishes

| Chinook Salmon | |
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| Witness signature Catch-and-release | Freshwater-caught |
| Date of saltwater catch Yes No | stamp for i Saltwater-caught i |
| Location of saltwater catch Witness signature | i here i |
| NOTE: See Inland Coldwater Fishes section for landlocked Ch White Sturgeon | inook salmon. |
| Catch-and-release | 2? |
| Location of freshwater catch | |
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| Date of saltwater catch Yes No | = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = |
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Fishes

Sport anglers come from all over the world to fish off California's coast, because nowhere else will you find such a variety of ocean gamefish or diversity of saltwater angling adventures.



For example, one morning you may find yourself on a boat pushing through the thinning early morning fog in pursuit of Chinook salmon off northern California. Ocean-going Chinook are in their prime, and the adrenaline rush that results from landing a "silver-brite king" can leave you laughing and shaking at the same time.

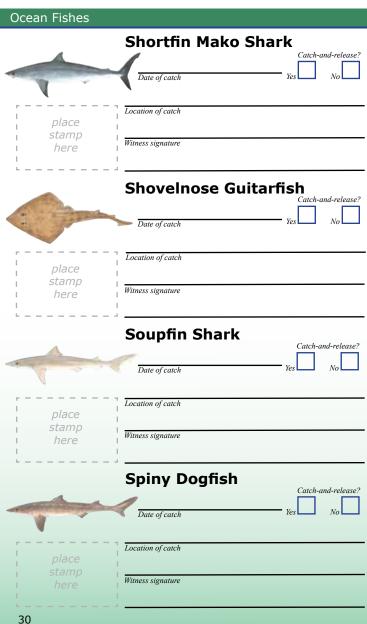
Another morning may find you scrambling over coastal rocks (watch out for those slippery patches of green algae!) to fish from shore. Casting out the right bait at the right time can bring plenty of angling rewards, such as a fierce battle with a monster lingcod or a grass rockfish.

There's nothing quite as rewarding as taking a young person out on a partyboat trip, either. Make the trip all about the young person and introducing them to the sport, and watch what happens. When something hits his or her bait the excitement is infectious, and the ensuing tug-owar priceless.

From salmon and Pacific halibut off northern and central California, to the warmer water species such as yellowtail and marlin found down south, California is an unbeatable playground for saltwater anglers.

| | Ocean Fishes |
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| Blue Shark Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No | |
| Location of catch Witness signature | place stamp here |
| Sevengill Shark Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No | |
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| Brown Smoothhound Shark Catch-and-release? Date of catch No | |
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| Leopard Shark Catch-and-release? Date of catch | and a second and a second and a second |
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| Swell Shark Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No | No the second |
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| Thresher Shark Date of catch Yes No | |
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| Bat Ray Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No | |
| Location of catch Witness signature | place stamp here |
| Round Stingray Date of catch Yes No | |
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| Ocean Fishes | | |
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| | Thornback Date of catch | Catch-and-release? |
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| | California Grunion | Catch-and-release? |
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| | Silversides (Jacksme | elt, Topsmelt) Catch-and-release? - Yes No |
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| | Smelt (Surf Smelt, Ni | ght Smelt) Catch-and-release? - Yes No |
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| Jack Mackerel | Catch-and-release? | Man |
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| Black Perch | Catch-and-release? | |
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| Calico Surfperch | Catch-and-release? Yes No |
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| Pile Perch | Catch-and-release? |
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| Rainbow Seaperch | Catch-and-release? |
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| Redtail Surfperch | Catch-and-release? Yes No |
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| Rubberlip Seaperch Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No | 1 | |
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| Shiner Perch Catch-and-release? Date of catch | | |
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| Silver Surfperch Catch-and-release? Date of catch | | |
| Location of catch Witness signature | place stamp here | |
| Spotfin Surfperch Catch-and-release? Date of catch | | |
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| Ocean Fishes | | |
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| | Striped Seaperch | Catch-and-release? |
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| | Walleye Surfperch | |
| | Date of catch | Catch-and-release? |
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| and the | Black Croaker | Catch-and-release? Yes No |
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| | California Corbina | Catch-and-release? |
| | Date of catch | Yes No |
| place stamp here | Witness signature | |
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| | Ocean | Fishes |
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| Spotfin Croaker Date of catch Yes No | | |
| Location of catch Witness signature | place stamp here | |
| White Croaker Date of catch Yes No | | |
| Location of catch Witness signature | place stamp here | |
| Yellowfin Croaker Date of catch Yes No | | |
| Location of catch Witness signature | place stamp here | |
| California Halibut Date of catch Date of catch Catch-and-release? Yes No No No No No No No N | ALL ALL | |
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| Ocean Fishes | | |
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| | Diamond Turbot Date of catch Location of catch | Catch-and-release? |
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| | Pacific Halibut | Catch-and-release? |
| place stamp here | Location of catch Witness signature | |
| | Sand Sole | Catch-and-release? |
| place stamp here | Location of catch Witness signature | |
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| | Ocean | Fishes |
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| Sanddab Catch-and-release? Date of catch Yes No No | | a. |
| Location of catch Witness signature | place stamp here | |
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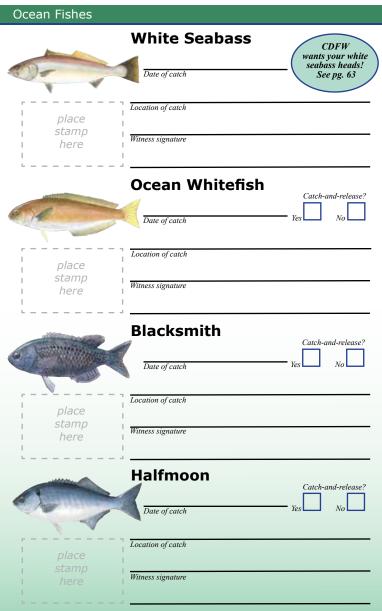
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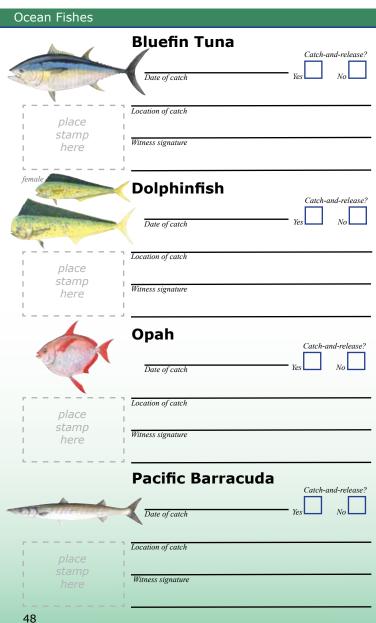
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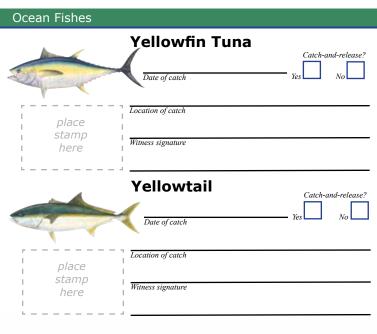
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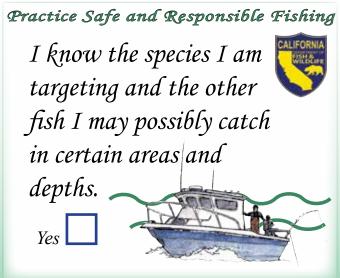
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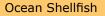
For most people, the word *fishing* conjures up the image of an angler with a rod and reel. But California is also home to



many species of ocean shellfish, which may be found all along the 1,100-mile California coastline and offshore islands. To fully experience all that California has to offer the sport fisherman, you'll need to put down your rod and reel and grab your clam fork or shovel, abalone iron, crab trap, hoop net, or dive bag.

No other state in the country can compare to the Golden State in terms of variety of edible shellfish. Whether you favor clams, abalone, crabs, lobsters, scallops, squid, urchins or even mussels, California can easily satisfy your shellfish cravings.

Each of these fisheries is unique, and may challenge fishermen to develop new skills. The rewards are well worth the effort. Fresh Dungeness crab with sourdough bread, steamed lobster tails with drawn butter, and delicious clam chowder are but a few of the culinary delights that await, not to mention that many of these shellfish are just as tempting to finfish as bait. For many, partaking of California's abundant shellfish is as big a part of the outdoor experience as fishing with rod and reel.





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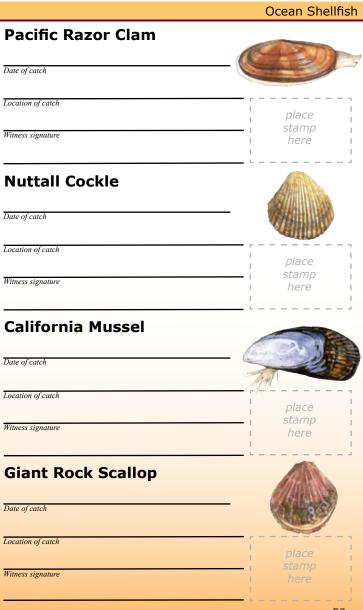
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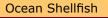
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Red Sea Urchin

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Open Fishing Entries

If one thing is certain, it's that we could never get all the finfish and shellfish species available in California into one Passport! Please use the following spaces to record other species you may catch. These entries do not count toward official California Fishing Passport program awards, but CDFW recognizes that the simple act of fishing (and, with luck, catching!) is a reward in itself.

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Calling All Anglers!

In 1986, the Ocean Resources Enhancement and Hatchery Program began releasing hatchery-raised white seabass into coastal waters in southern California. Each fish is tagged internally (in the cheek) with a small, stainless steel coded-wire tag. Some of the information obtained from tagged fish includes their movement, growth, and most importantly, survival rate. Your help is needed to learn more. If you catch white seabass, please save the heads in a plastic bag labeled with your name, phone number, date and location of capture. Heads can be dropped off at one of the freezers located throughout southern California. To find the freezer nearest you, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Marine/ABMP/OREHP

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