

# Selected Nearshore Fishes of California

SEE SECTIONS 1.90 AND 1.91 REGARDING THESE SPECIES

high, spiny  
dorsal fin



**Quillback rockfish**



**Monkeyface prickleback**

also known as Monkeyface eel

yellow  
blotches



**Black-and-yellow  
rockfish**

bluish-white  
speckles

bright yellow stripe



**China rockfish**

longer  
gill rakers

brown or  
greenish mottling



**Kelp rockfish**

shorter  
gill rakers

black or  
gray mottling



**Grass rockfish**



**California scorpionfish**

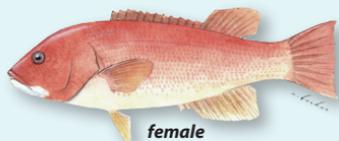
also known as Sculpin



does not  
possess scales

roe poisonous

**Cabezon**



female



male

**California sheephead**



female



male

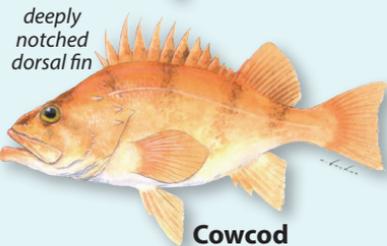
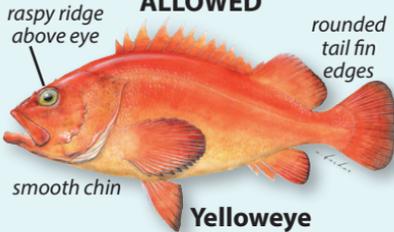
**Kelp greenling**

also known as Sea trout

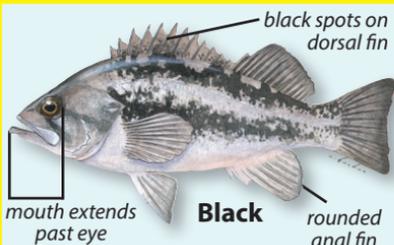


**Rock greenling**

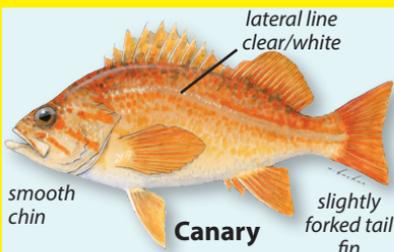
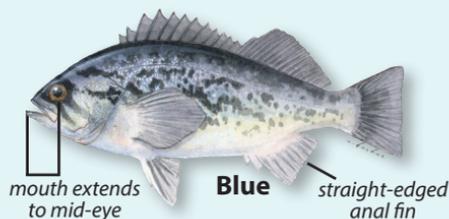
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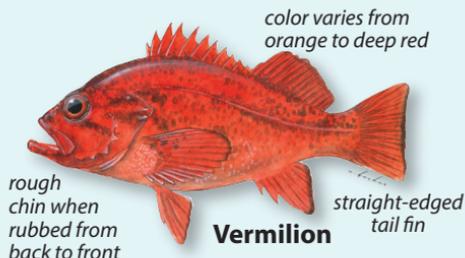
**SEE SECTION 28.55(b)(1)  
BAG LIMIT: ZERO FISH**



**STATEWIDE BAG LIMIT: THREE FISH**



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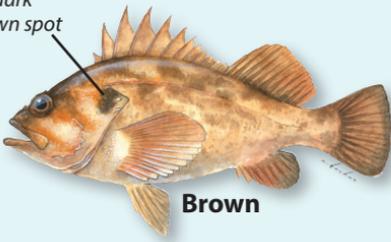


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# Rockfishes of California

dark brown spot



**Brown**

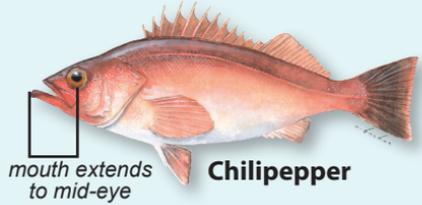


**Treefish**



mouth extends to rear of eye

**Bocaccio**  
also known as  
Salmon grouper



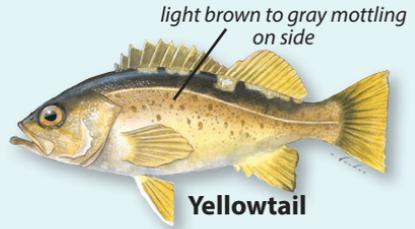
mouth extends to mid-eye

**Chilipepper**



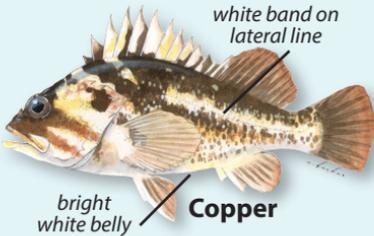
whitish blotches on back

**Olive**



light brown to gray mottling on side

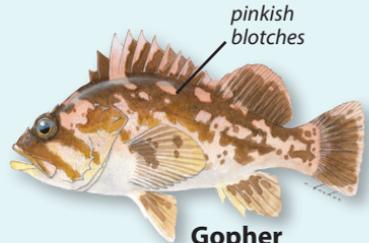
**Yellowtail**



white band on lateral line

bright white belly

**Copper**



pinkish blotches

**Gopher**

For more information, see Section 28.55

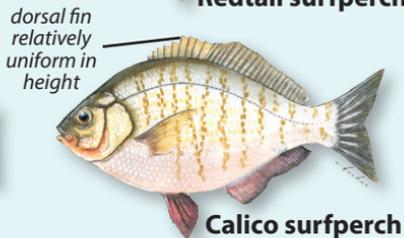
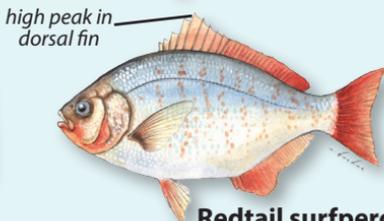
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for each type of fish. Anglers are ultimately responsible for identifying the fish they catch.

# Selected California Game Fish



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See Section 28.10(b) for possession requirements for giant sea bass taken off Mexico



**SEE SECTIONS 28.05 and 28.10**  
**BAG LIMIT: ZERO FISH**