

2016-17 California Commercial Herring Fishery FAQ Sheet

All Fishing Areas

Regulations allow the take of herring for both sac-roe and fresh fish markets using gill-nets. All herring landed during the herring season (“whole fish”) can be sold for either sac-roe or fresh fish purposes. **A current fish receiver’s license and a Herring Buyer’s Permit are required to buy herring for commercial purposes, Title 14 CCR 163 (j).**

San Francisco Bay		Quota (tons)
Total SF Bay Quota	834	
Total Gill Net Quota	750.6	
Even Platoon Permit Quota (90 permits*)	390.5	
Odd Platoon Permit Quota (83 permits*)	360.1	
*Permit count includes both fishing platoons for CH permits, which are counted separately.		
Total HEOK Quota	83.4 (in whole fish weight) = 18.66 (product weight)	
HEOK Permit Quota (10 permits)	8.34 (whole fish weight) = 1.87 (product weight) per permit	
Gill Net platoons (Even, Odd and DH)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Even # DH permits fish with the Even Platoon and Odd # DH permits fish with the Odd Platoon. • The Odd Platoon will fish first this season and the Even Platoon will fish second. • Platoons will fish alternate weeks, or continuously after the other platoon is closed. • Herring fishing is not permitted beginning at 12:00pm (noon) on Fridays through 5:00 pm on Sundays. • The gill net fishery closes Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at noon. 		
Odd Platoon		
Opens	Sunday, January 1, 2017, at 5:00 pm	
Season Dates	January 1-6, January 15-20, January 29 - February 3, February 12-17, February 26 - March 3, and March 12-15.	
Even Platoon		
Opens	Sunday, January 8, 2017, at 5:00 pm	
Season Dates	January 8-13, January 22-27, February 5-10, February 19-24, and March 5-10.	
HEOK		
HEOK Fishery	Thursday, December 1, 2016, to Friday, March 31, 2017.	

Tomales Bay	
Quota	350 tons
Season Dates	Monday, December 26, 2016, at noon to Wednesday, February 22, 2017, at noon.
Crescent City Harbor & Humboldt Bay	
Quota	Crescent City Harbor: 30 tons Humboldt Bay: 60 tons
Season Dates	Crescent City Harbor: January 14, 2017, at noon to March 23, 2017, at noon. Humboldt Bay: January 2, 2017, at noon to March 9, 2017, at noon.