

2017-18 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 (84 permits*)		384.5
Odd Platoon Permit Quota (80 permits*)		366.1
*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 (9 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 Even Platoon will fish first this season and the Odd 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 Thursday, March 15, 2018, at noon. 		
Even Platoon		
Opens	Monday, January 1, 2018, at 5:00 pm	
Season Dates	January 1-5, January 14-19, January 28 - February 2, February 11-16, February 25 - March 2, and March 11-15.	
Odd Platoon		
Opens	Sunday, January 7, 2018, at 5:00 pm	
Season Dates	January 7-12, January 21-26, February 4-9, February 18-23, and March 4-9.	
HEOK		
HEOK Fishery	Friday, December 1, 2017, to Saturday, March 31, 2018.	

Tomales Bay	
Quota	350 tons
Season Dates	Tuesday, December 26, 2017, at noon to Thursday, February 22, 2018, at noon.
Crescent City Harbor & Humboldt Bay	
Quota	Crescent City Harbor: 30 tons Humboldt Bay: 60 tons
Season Dates	Crescent City Harbor: January 14, 2018, at noon to March 23, 2018, at noon. Humboldt Bay: January 2, 2018, at noon to March 9, 2018, at noon.