### CALIFORNIA HALIBUT
#### COMMERCIAL HOOK-AND-LINE

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<th>FISHING AREA</th>
<th>PERMISSIBLE GEAR: Number of lines/hooks, and types of lines</th>
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| **Districts 6, 7, 10, 17, 18, and 19** | - further than one mile from mainland shore  
- False Cape to Gitchell Creek, and Point Reyes to Point Bolinas  
- within one mile of shore  
- refer to FGC §9027(b)  
| **District 11** | - West of the Golden Gate Bridge  
- Districts 16 and 19A |
| **Districts 8, 9, 19B, 20, 20A, and 21** | - Multiple troll lines or hand lines.  
- No more than 2 hooks per troll line or hand line.  
| **Tomales Bay** | - Inside Tom’s Point; refer to area described in FGC §9025.5(c)  
| **San Francisco Bay** | - District 11 east of the Golden Gate Bridge, and Districts 12 and 13, refer to FGC §9025.5(c)  
| **Districts 6, 7, and 10** | - within one mile of shore  
- excluding False Cape to Gitchell Creek, and Point Reyes to Point Bolinas (refer to FGC §9027(b)) |
| **Districts 17, 18, and 19** | - within one mile of mainland shore |
| **Districts 6, 7, 10, 17, 18, and 19** | - multiple lines.  
- Lines with more than 2 hooks permitted.  
| **Districts 8, 9, 19B, 20, 20A, and 21** | - multiple lines.  
- no more than 2 hooks per troll line or hand line.  
| **Tomales Bay** | - no more than 4 troll lines or hand lines.  
- when more than one commercial fisherman is aboard a vessel, no more than six lines.  
- no more than two hooks attached to each troll line or hand line.  
| **Districts 6, 7, and 10** | - multiple lines.  
- no more than 15 hooks on one line OR a single line may be used with 30 hooks (no other gear allowed).  
- no more than 150 hooks may be used on a vessel.  
| **Districts 17, 18, and 19** | - multiple lines.  
- no more than 15 hooks on one line.  
- no more than 150 hooks may be used on a vessel, unless fishing for halibut south of a line extending due west from Point Conception and fish possessed by persons aboard the vessel consists of at least 80 percent halibut by number.  
| **Districts 6, 7, 10, 17, 18, and 19** | - set lines may be used.  

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See reverse for inset maps of the San Francisco Bay and Los Angeles areas, and further regulatory information and gear definitions.
"Troll line" FGC §9025.5(b), §9028: A line with one or more hooks towed by a vessel underway and making way. Troll lines and hand-lines more than 900 feet in length are not permitted unless they are used as set lines. “Set line” FGC §8601, §8601.5(a): Any line used to take fish that is anchored to the bottom on each end and is not free to drift with the tide or current is a set line. Set lines shall be marked at both ends with buoys displaying above their waterlines, in numerals at least 2 in. high, the fisherman’s identification number. It is unlawful to use set lines with hooks more than 100 feet above the anchor or ocean bottom.

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<th>Minimum Size Limit</th>
<th>FGC §8392: 22 in. total length. It is permissible to swing or fan the tail.</th>
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<td>Season</td>
<td>FGC §8391: Open year-round.</td>
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<td>Take Limit</td>
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<td>FGC §7856(f)</td>
<td>Sturgeon or striped bass shall not be possessed aboard a commercial fishing vessel.</td>
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The California Halibut, Paralichthys californicus, is a member of the Sand Flounder family. It is the second largest flatfish to occur in California ocean waters (after Pacific Halibut).

**Los Angeles Area**

**San Francisco Bay Area**

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