

Table 4-1. Summary of white seabass regulations from 1931 to the present (modified from Vojkovich and Reed 1983)

Date (License required)	Season length	Size limit	Bag limit	Gear and area restrictions	Special conditions
1931-33 (com'l lic. req.)	July 1-April 30	Commercial \$28"; no more than 5 fish <28"	None	No nets within 4-mile radius of San Juan Pt., Orange Co.; bait nets only in Santa Monica Bay.	5 fish any size with hook & line, but may not be sold
1933-35 (same)	Hook & line all year	Same	May 1 - Jun 30 (5 per day - hook & line)	Same	After Oct. 25, 1933, no fish may be sold from May 1 - June 30.
1935-37 (same)	No net fishing May 1 - Aug 31	Same	May 1 - Aug 31 500 lbs/person; 2500 lbs/boat	No nets in any Orange Co. waters (later rescinded)	Same
1937-39 (sportfishing lic. req.)	Same	Com'l and Sport: \$28" ; no more than 5 fish <28"	Sportfishing: 15/day for anyone on sportfish boat	Same	Sport-caught fish may not be sold
1939-41 (same)	Year round net fishing allowed	Same	Same	No purse seines. Gill net mesh \$3 ½"	Same
1941-49 (same)	Same	Same	Same	Same	Same
1949-53 (same)	Same	Same	Sportfish: 10/day	Same	Same
1953-57 (same)	Same	Same	Com'l: 1000 lbs/person/day; 5000 lbs/boat/day.	Same	Same
1957-71 (same)	Same	Sportfish: 2 fish < 28"	Sportfish: 10/day	Same	Same
1971-73 (same)	Same	Sport and comm. No fish <28"	Same	Same	Same
1973-78 (same)	Same	Sport and comm. One fish <28"	Same	Same	Same
1978 (same)	Same	Sport and comm. No fish <28"	Same	Same	Same
1980-81 (same)	Season closed Mar 15-Jun 15	Same	Sportfish: 3/day/person	Same	Logs required Permits required
1982 (same)	Same	Same	Same	Area closures for nets with mesh less than 6"	Permits no longer required
1984 (same)	Same	Same	Sportfish: 1 white seabass during closed season	Same	Same
1994 (same)	Same	Same	Same	No Gill or trammel nets allowed 0-3 miles from shore along the mainland, or within 1 mile or waters less than 70 fathoms deep at the offshore islands from Point Arguello, Santa Barbara Co. to the United States - Mexico Border, and in waters less than 35 fathoms deep from Point Fermin, Los Angeles Co. to the south jetty Newport Harbor, Orange Co.	
2000	Same	Same	commercial: 1 seabass during closed season	Same	