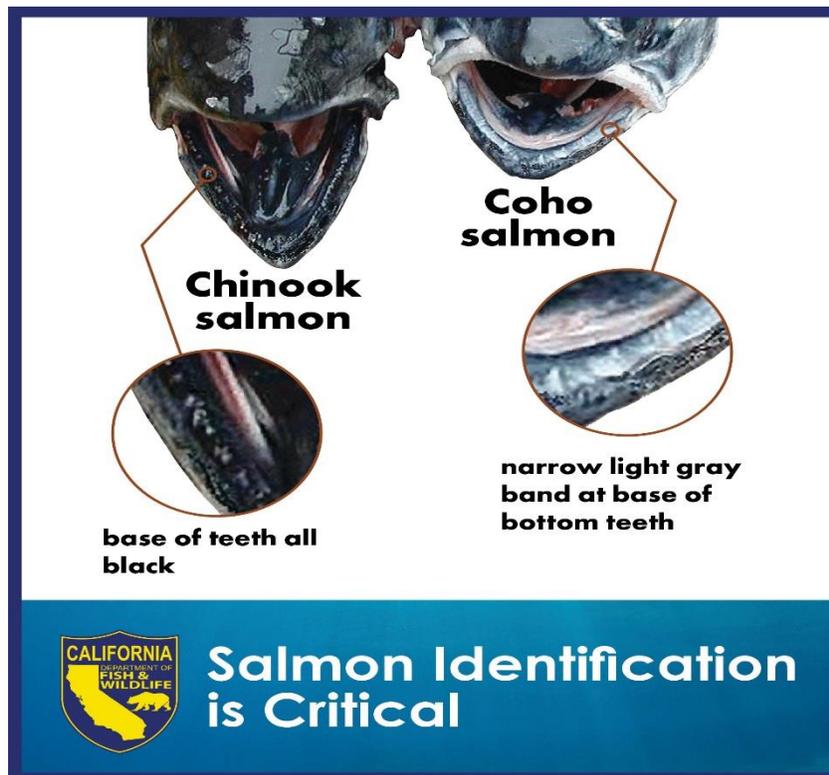




# Attention California Ocean Salmon Anglers Please check your catch!



Coho (silver) salmon are frequently contacted in California's ocean fisheries, especially in late spring and early summer. Although some of these salmon have originated from Oregon or Washington, others are California coastal coho salmon, which are protected under the state and federal Endangered Species Acts. Thus, **RETENTION OF COHO SALMON IS PROHIBITED** in all California ocean fisheries. Please correctly identify each salmon caught before removing it from the water. All coho salmon must be released.



Tactics to help avoid contacting coho salmon when they are present:

Fish deeper - coho are more often in the top 30 feet of water.

Fish shoreward - coho are often further offshore.

Use large lures that select for larger Chinook and reduce coho catch.

For additional information regarding regulations,  
please check the CDFW website at:  
[wildlife.ca.gov/oceansalmon](http://wildlife.ca.gov/oceansalmon)  
or call the Ocean Salmon Hotline at (707) 576-3429