

California Fishing Passport

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# Kid's Summer Challenge 2006



Your Guide to a Summer Full of Fishing Fun!

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# Welcome *to the new* California Fishing Passport



## 2006

# Kid's Summer Challenge!

The 2006 Kid's Summer Challenge is a series of fishing events developed just for kids age 15 and under (see right). Each event provides an opportunity for kids to get outdoors and enjoy a day of fishing. Kids record their catches on the following pages, and earn stamps for each fish they catch!

Adults are also welcome and strongly encouraged to attend the events with their kids. Loaner rods and reels will be available for those who need them. **Permission from parents or guardians is required for all loaners.**

The Kid's Summer Challenge provides a sneak peek into the upcoming **California Fishing Passport Program**, which is set to debut Jan. 1, 2007.

As part of the program, California Fishing Passports will be distributed free of charge to anglers purchasing their 2007 California sport fishing licenses, and to children under 16 years of age, upon request. The passport will list a wide selection of sport fish that occur in California. Also available will be fish identification books, maps, and other helpful information. Incentives and awards will be offered to encourage fishing and to recognize anglers for various levels of personal achievement.

*Images courtesy E. Roberts III and K. Lombard*

# Kid's Summer Challenge Events for 2006

**June 10 - Pier Fishing at Santa Monica Pier**  
9:30 a.m. - noon

*Join us for the Kid's Summer Challenge Kick-off Event! Rods and reels available for loan (parental permission required) courtesy of United Anglers of Southern CA.*



**July 29 - Trout Fishing at Mammoth Lakes**  
8 a.m. - noon

*Try your hand at High Sierra trout fishing! Rods and reels available for loan (parental permission required) courtesy of the Mammoth Lakes Sport Fishing Association.*



**Aug. 21 - Party Boat Fishing at San Diego**  
Half-day trip

*All aboard for an exciting fishing trip out to the local kelp beds, courtesy of Friends of Rollo/United Anglers of Southern California and Seaforth Sportfishing!*



**Fishing in the City Events - All Summer Long!**

*Can't make it to one of the Challenge events? DFG's Fishing in the City program also provides great fishing opportunities! For a schedule of events, visit:*

**[www.dfg.ca.gov/coned/fishcity/index.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/coned/fishcity/index.html)**

**For More Information About the California  
Fishing Passport Program:  
Visit [www.dfg.ca.gov/fishingpassport](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/fishingpassport)**

# California Pier Fishing!

Here is a selection of fish you're likely to catch from a California pier. Be sure to get your passport stamped for each fish you catch! The Department of Fish and Game will credit your summer catch in the new 2007 California Fishing Passport due out this January.

place stamp here	<b>Barred surfperch</b> (a.k.a. sand perch)
place stamp here	<b>Bat ray</b> (a.k.a. mud marlin, stingray)
place stamp here	<b>Black perch</b> (a.k.a. buttermouth)
place stamp here	<b>Leopard shark</b> (a.k.a. cat shark)
place stamp here	<b>Pile perch</b> (a.k.a. dusky perch)
place stamp here	<b>Rubberlip seaperch</b>
place stamp here	<b>Shiner perch</b> (a.k.a. 7-11 perch)
place stamp here	<b>Shovelnose guitarfish</b>
place stamp here	<b>Silversides</b> (a.k.a. jacksmelt, topsmelt)
place stamp here	<b>Thornback ray</b>
place stamp here	<b>White croaker</b> (a.k.a. tommy cod)
place stamp here	<b>Yellowfin croaker</b> (a.k.a. golden croaker)

...Don't stop there! Many other species of fish can be caught from piers. Here are a few of them:

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|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Barred sand bass        | Pacific bonito    |
| Cabazon                 | Pacific mackerel  |
| California halibut      | Rainbow seaperch  |
| California scorpionfish | Round stingray    |
| White seabass           | Sargo             |
| Jack mackerel           | Spotfin croaker   |
| Opaleye                 | Spotted sand bass |

If you catch any of these fish, or any other fish, write them down below and be sure to get your stamp!

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Black perch



Rainbow seaperch



Pile perch



Shiner perch



Barred sand bass



Rubberlip seaperch

Images courtesy of K. Jones, E. Roberts III, and K. Lombard





# California High Sierra Fishing!

Here is a selection of fish you're likely to catch from a California mountain lake, stream, river or pond. Be sure to get your passport stamped for each species you catch! The Department of Fish and Game will credit your summer catch in the new 2007 California Fishing Passport due out this January.

place stamp here	<b>Rainbow trout</b>
place stamp here	<b>Brook trout</b>
place stamp here	<b>Brown trout</b>
place stamp here	<b>Cutthroat trout</b>

Did you catch something that's not on the list? Write it down below and be sure to get your stamp!

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Did you know that brook trout and brown trout are not native species? They were first introduced to California more than 100 years ago. **California Heritage Trout**, however, are native species that have existed in California since prehistoric times. The Department's **California Heritage Trout Challenge** rewards fishermen who catch six different species of California Heritage Trout, such as the California golden trout (pictured below). Are you ready for the California Heritage Trout Challenge?



Brown trout



For more information about the California Heritage Trout Challenge, visit the Department of Fish and Game Web site at:

[www.dfg.ca.gov/fishing/html/WildAndHeritageTrout/WHTTrout\\_0.htm](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/fishing/html/WildAndHeritageTrout/WHTTrout_0.htm)



Rainbow trout

Brook trout

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# California "Party Boat" Fishing!

Here is a selection of fish you're likely to catch while fishing in the ocean from a boat. Be sure to get your passport stamped for each fish you catch! The Department of Fish and Game will credit your summer catch in the new 2007 California Fishing Passport due out this January.

place stamp here	<b>Barred sand bass</b> (a.k.a. ground bass)
place stamp here	<b>Bocaccio</b> (a.k.a. salmon grouper)
place stamp here	<b>California sheephead</b>
place stamp here	<b>Kelp bass</b> (a.k.a. calico bass)
place stamp here	<b>Lingcod</b>
place stamp here	<b>Ocean whitefish</b>
place stamp here	<b>Pacific barracuda</b>
place stamp here	<b>Pacific bonito</b>
place stamp here	<b>Pacific (chub) mackerel</b>
place stamp here	<b>Treefish</b>
place stamp here	<b>Vermilion rockfish</b> (a.k.a. red snapper)
place stamp here	<b>Yellowtail</b> (a.k.a. mossback)

...Don't stop there! Many other species of fish can be caught from boats. Here are a few of them:

- |                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Black perch             | Gopher rockfish |
| Blacksmith              | Halfmoon        |
| Brown rockfish          | Kelp rockfish   |
| Cabazon                 | Olive rockfish  |
| California halibut      | Opaleye         |
| California scorpionfish | Pacific sanddab |
| Copper rockfish         | White croaker   |

If you catch any of these fish, or any other fish, write them down below and be sure to get your stamp!

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Kelp bass



California sheephead



Ocean whitefish



Bocaccio



Lingcod



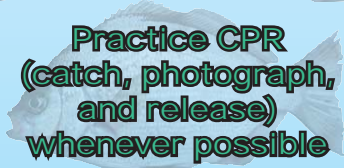
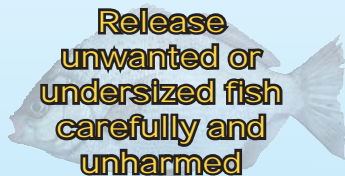
California halibut 7



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# Attention Summer Challenge Anglers!

Did you know that it's possible to have a lifetime of fishing adventures... but only if you fish responsibly, and help to protect the environment? By following these simple fishing rules, you'll be doing your part as a Summer Challenge Angler!



### Here are some Quick Tips on How To Release a Fish:

- Use wet hands when handling the fish.
- Do not squeeze the fish or touch its eyes or gills.
- Only remove hooks that can be easily removed. Clip the line near the mouth on deeply hooked fish.
- Remove the hook quickly. Underwater unhooking and release is preferred.
- Avoid having the fish hit the deck of the boat or flop around on the shore.
- Gently move the fish forward and backwards in the water until it swims away on its own.

This Summer Passport Belongs To:

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*Name*

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*Date*



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