



WEST COAST BIOREGION – Changes to bag limits

Proposed modifications to recreational fishing arrangements in WA include changes to bag limits and categories for some species.

These changes will come into effect on 16 December 2009, upon the re-opening of the West Coast Demersal Scalefish Fishery in the West Coast Bioregion.

“High Risk” Demersal Species – Combined bag limit of 2	
Cod (combined, except Coral Trout and Coronation Trout)	2
Cod classified as Epinephelus spp, in excess of 30 kg in weight or 1000 mm in length	0
Cod, Estuary and Rankin (combined)	2
Coral Trout and Coronation Trout (combined)	1
Dhufish, West Australian	1
Emperor (combined)	2
Emperor, Red	2
Groper, Blue	1
Foxfish and pigfish (combined)	2
Hapuku, Trevalla, Bass Groper and Grey Banded Rock Cod (combined)	2
Parrot Fish (combined)	2
Sea Perch, Tropical, except Red Emperor (combined)	2
Snapper, Pink, only one of which may be in excess of 70 cm if taken or brought onto land from metropolitan waters	2
Snapper, Queen	2
Snapper, Red (Redfish) and Swallowtail (combined)	2
Tuskfish and Baldchin Groper (combined)	2

“High Risk” Pelagic Species – Combined bag limit of 2	
Barracuda	2
Billfish, Sailfish, Spearfish and Marlins and Swordfish (combined)	1
Cobia	2
Dolphinfish (Mahi Mahi)	2
Mackerel, Shark	2
Mackerel, Broad-barred Spanish and Narrow-barred Spanish (combined)	2
Mackerel, Wahoo	2
Samson Fish, Amberjack and Yellowtail Kingfish (combined)	2
Trevally, Giant and Golden (combined)	2
Tuna, Southern Bluefin, Yellowfin and Bigeye (combined)	2

Moved to “Medium Risk” species – Combined bag limit of 12	
Cobbler	4
Mulloway	2
Salmon, Australian	4
Sharks and Rays (combined)	2
Trout, Brown and Rainbow (combined)	4*

*A bag limit of two (2) for these species applies in Waroona Dam