

**List of Subjects in 49 CFR Part 1**

Authority delegations (Government agencies), Organization and functions (Government agencies).

In consideration of the foregoing, part 1 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, is amended as follows:

**PART 1—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for part 1 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 322; Public Law 101-522, 104 Stat. 2744; 28 U.S.C. 2672; 31 U.S.C. 3711(a)(2); 46 U.S.C. 2104(a).

2. In § 1.56a the introductory text is republished and paragraph (j) is added to read as follows:

**§ 1.56a Delegations to the Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.**

The Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs is delegated the authority to:

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(j) Carry out section 101(a)(2) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act (Public Law 107-42, 115 Stat. 230), as delegated to the Secretary of Transportation by the President pursuant to a Presidential Memorandum dated September 25, 2001.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 24, 2001.

**Norman Y. Mineta,**

*Secretary of Transportation.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Parts 600 and 660**

[Docket No. 001226367-0367-01; I.D. 092801C]

**Fisheries off the West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Trip Limit Adjustments; Correction**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Correction to trip limit adjustments in the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery.

**SUMMARY:** This document corrects a section heading in the trip limit adjustments for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery published on October 5, 2001.

**DATES:** Effective November 2, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carrie Nordeen, Northwest Region, NMFS, 206-526-6140.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Changes to current management measures were recommended by the Pacific Fishery Management Council at its September 10-14, 2001, meeting in Portland, OR. Adjustments to trip limits were made to stay within the optimum yields and allocations announced in the 2001 annual specifications and management measures for the groundfish fishery, published in the **Federal Register** at 66 FR 2338 (January 11, 2001), as amended at 66 FR 10208 (February 14, 2001), at 66 FR 18409 (April 9, 2001), at 66 FR 22467 (May 4, 2001), at 66 FR 28676 (May 24, 2001), at 66 FR 35388 (July 5, 2001), at 66 FR 38162 (July 23, 2001), and at 66 FR 50851 (October 5, 2001).

**Need for Correction**

Trip limit adjustments published on October 5, 2001, contained an error in the section heading describing limit changes for groundfish taken with open access gear. This document corrects that error.

**Correction**

Accordingly, the rule, FR Doc. 01-25031, in the issue of Friday, October 5, 2001 (66 FR 50851), is corrected as follows:

1. On page 50858, in the first column, amendatory instruction 2. is corrected to read "2. In section IV., under C. *Trip Limits in the Open Access Fishery*, paragraphs (3) and (5) are revised to read as follows:".

Dated: October 26, 2001.

**Bruce Morehead,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Part 648**

[Docket No. 001121328-1041-02; I.D. 102901B]

**Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Black Sea Bass Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for Quarter 4 Period**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Closure; Quarter 4 commercial black sea bass fishery.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces that the black sea bass commercial quota available in the quarter 4 period to the coastal states from Maine through North Carolina has been harvested. Commercial vessels may not land black sea bass in these states north of 35°15.3' N. lat. for the remainder of the 2001 quarter 4 quota period (through December 31, 2001). Regulations governing the black sea bass fishery require publication of this notification to advise the coastal states from Maine through North Carolina that the quota has been harvested and to advise vessel permit holders and dealer permit holders that no commercial quota is available for landing black sea bass in these states north of 35°15.3' N. lat.

**DATES:** Effective 0001 hrs local time, November 6, 2001, through 2400 hrs local time, December 31, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer L. Anderson, Fishery Management Specialist, at (978) 281-9226.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Regulations governing the black sea bass fishery are found at 50 CFR part 648. The regulations require annual specification of a commercial quota that is allocated into four quota periods based upon percentages of the annual quota. The quarter 4 (October through December) commercial quota is distributed to the coastal states from Maine through North Carolina. The process to set the annual commercial quota is described in § 648.140.

The initial total commercial quota for black sea bass for the 2001 calendar year was 3,024,742 lb (1,372,000 kg) (66 FR 12902, March 1, 2001). The quarter 4 period quota, which is equal to 19.77 percent of the annual commercial quota, was 597,991 lb (271,244 kg). The quota allocation was adjusted downward to compensate for 2000 quarter 4 landings in excess of the 2000 quarter 4 quota, consistent with the procedures in § 648.140. The final adjusted quarter 4 quota was 516,939 lb (234,480 kg).

The Regional Administrator, Northeast Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator) monitors the commercial black sea bass quota for each quota period on the basis of dealer reports, state data, and other available information to determine when the commercial quota has been harvested. NMFS is required to publish a notification in the **Federal Register** advising and notifying commercial vessels and dealer permit holders that, effective upon a specific date, the black

sea bass commercial quota has been harvested and no commercial quota is available for landing black sea bass for the remainder of the quarter 4 period, north of 35°15.3' N. lat. The Regional Administrator has determined, based upon dealer reports and other available information, that the black sea bass commercial quota for the 2001 quarter 4 period has been harvested.

The regulations at § 648.4 (b) provide that Federal black sea bass moratorium permit holders agree as a condition of the permit not to land black sea bass in any state after NMFS has published a notification in the **Federal Register** stating that the commercial quota for the period has been harvested and that no commercial quota for the black sea bass is available. The Regional Administrator has determined that the quarter 4 period for black sea bass no longer has commercial quota available. Therefore, effective 0001 hrs local time, November 6, 2001, further landings of black sea bass in coastal states from Maine through North Carolina, north of

35°15.3' N. lat., by vessels holding commercial Federal fisheries permits are prohibited through December 31, 2001. The 2002 quarter 1 period for commercial black sea bass harvest will open on January 1, 2002. Effective November 6, 2001, federally permitted dealers are also advised that they may not purchase black sea bass from federally permitted black sea bass moratorium permit holders who land in coastal states from Maine through North Carolina, north of 35°15.3' N. lat., for the remainder of the quarter 4 period (through December 31, 2001).

The regulations at § 648.4(b) also provide that, if the commercial black sea bass quota for a period is harvested and the coast is closed to the possession of black sea bass north of 35°15.3' N. lat., any vessel owners who hold valid commercial permits for both the black sea bass and the NMFS Southeast Region snapper-grouper fisheries may surrender their black sea bass moratorium permit by certified mail addressed to the Regional Administrator

(see table 1 at § 600.502) and fish pursuant to their snapper-grouper permit, as long as fishing is conducted exclusively in waters, and landings are made, south of 35°15.3' N. lat. A moratorium permit for the black sea bass fishery that is voluntarily relinquished or surrendered will be reissued upon the receipt of the vessel owner's written request after a minimum period of 6 months from the date of cancellation.

#### **Classification**

This action is required by 50 CFR part 648 and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: October 29, 2001.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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