

CDFW Dungeness Crab Updates to DCTF

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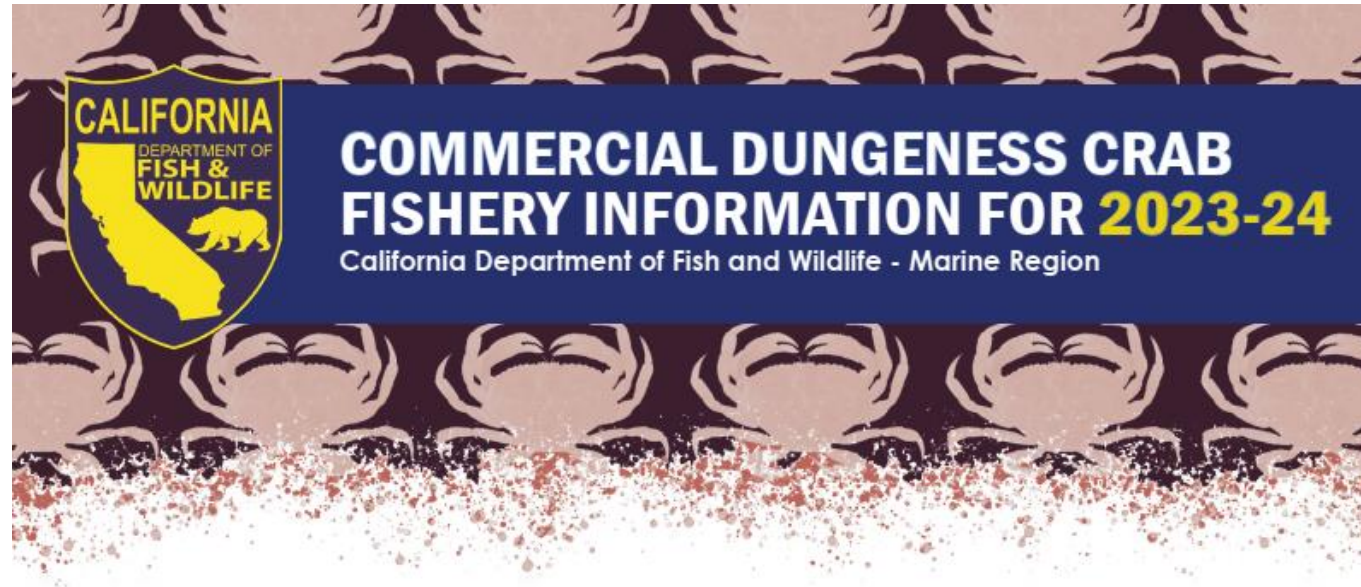
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2023-24 Commercial Dungeness Crab Newsletter



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Electronic Monitoring Devices Available



For the 2023-24 fishing season, vessels participating in the Dungeness crab fishery will be required to have electronic vessel tracking devices onboard.



2022-23 Commercial Dungeness Crab Season Totals

Table 1. Summary of 2022-23 commercial Dungeness crab fishing season.

Region	Zones	Total Pounds (millions)	Ex-Vessel Value (millions)	Average Price per Pound	Season Duration
Northern Management Area	1 & 2	17.05	\$42.1	\$2.87	Dec 31, 2022- July 15, 2023*
Central Management Area	3, 4, 5 & 6	4.07	\$12.3	\$3.59	Dec 31, 2022 - Apr 15, 2023**
Statewide	All	21.12	\$54.4	\$3.14	N/A

*Season delayed in Zones 1 & 2 due to quality testing

**Season delayed and closed early in Zones 3, 4, 5 & 6 due to marine life entanglement risk

2023-24 Biweekly Reports Reminder

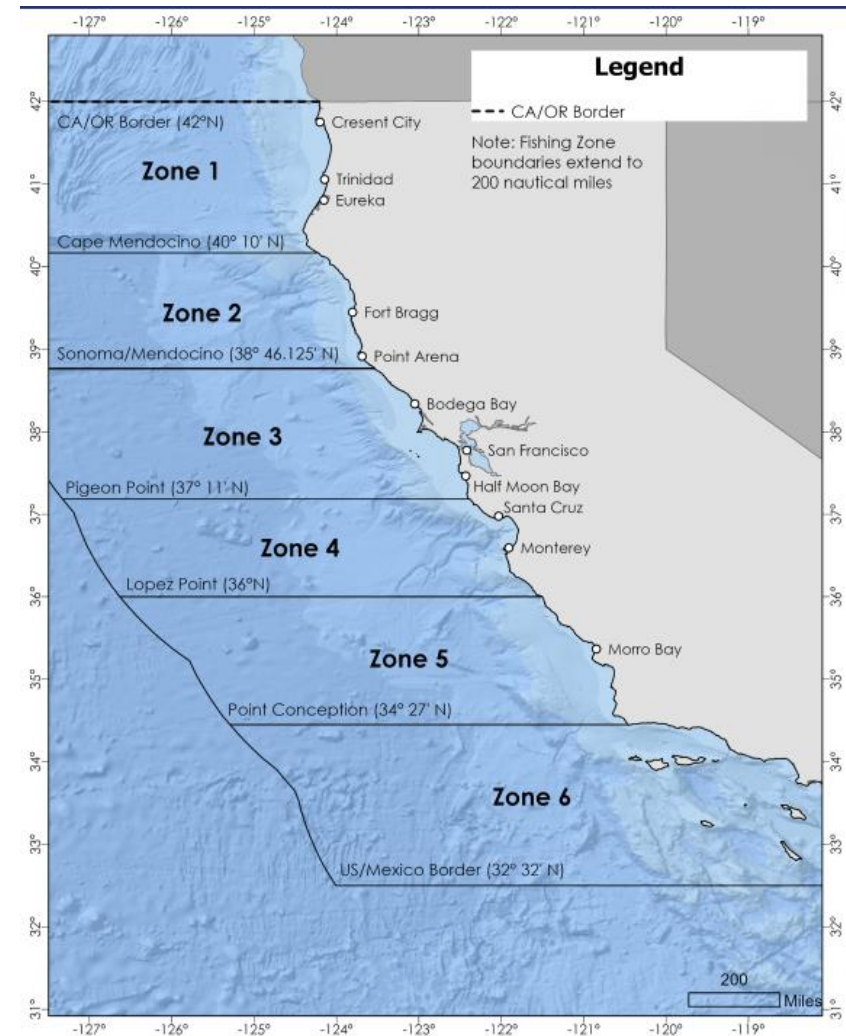
Reminder: Bi-Weekly Fishing Activity Reports

All active fishery participants are required to submit reports that include:

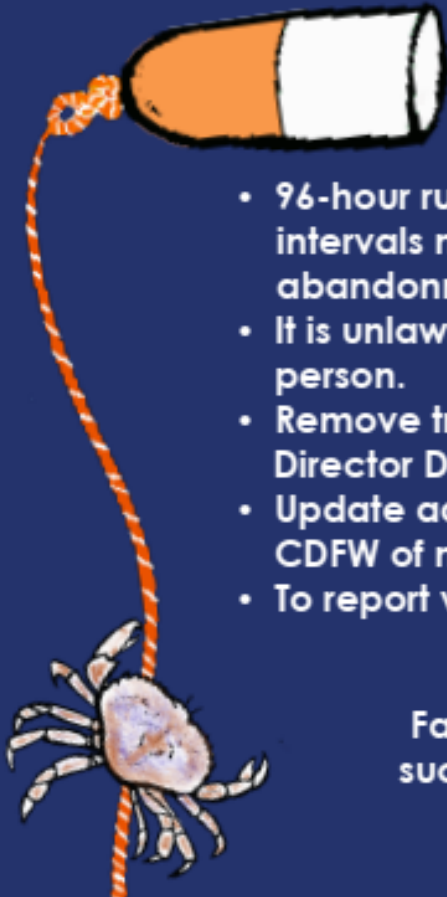
- permit number
- current fishing zone
- depth range
- deployed traps

Reports are due to:

WhaleSafeFisheries@wildlife.ca.gov
on or before the 1st and 16th day of each month. The final report must include the number of lost traps.




2023-24 Enforcement Reminders



Important Enforcement Reminders

- 96-hour rule: Trap gear shall be raised, cleaned, serviced, and emptied at intervals not to exceed 96 hours, weather conditions at sea permitting; abandonment prohibited.
- It is unlawful to disturb, move, or damage any trap that belongs to another person.
- Remove traps from water by end of season or by date of closure provided in Director Declaration or announced by CDFW.
- Update addresses: All Dungeness crab permit holders are required to notify CDFW of new mailing addresses within 3 months of change.
- To report violations in progress: **1-888-334-CalTIP (888-334-2258)**

Failure to comply may result in enforcement action such as suspension and or revocation of commercial fishing privileges for Dungeness crab.



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Thank You

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More Information will be posted:

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/crab>

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