

Accountability Measures (Assume Snapper Grouper if not labelled)	Count of Species/ Complex
<p>For the black sea bass recreational sector, NMFS will annually announce the recreational fishing season start and end dates in the Federal Register and by other methods, as deemed appropriate. The fishing season will start on April 1 and end on the date NMFS projects the recreational ACL will be met. NMFS will project the length of the recreational fishing season based on when NMFS projects the recreational ACL specified in this paragraph is expected to be met and announce the recreational fishing season end date in the Federal Register prior to the start of the recreational fishing year on April 1. (Reg 14)</p>	1
<p>If recreational landings reach or are projected to reach the recreational ACL, NMFS will close the recreational sector for the remainder of the fishing year, unless the RA determines that a closure is unnecessary, regardless if the stock status is overfished. If recreational landings, as estimated by the Science and Research Director, exceed the recreational ACL, then during the following fishing year, recreational landings will be monitored for a persistence in increased landings. If necessary, the Regional Administrator shall publish a notice to reduce the length of fishing season and the recreational ACL in the following fishing year by the amount of the recreational overage, only if the species, or one or more species in a species complex, is overfished and the total ACL (commercial ACL and recreational ACL) is exceeded. (SG34)</p>	18
<p>If recreational landings reach or are projected to reach the recreational annual catch limit, the recreational sector will close for the remainder of the fishing year, unless NOAA Fisheries determines that a closure is unnecessary. If recreational landings exceed the recreational annual catch limit, then during the following fishing year, landings will be monitored for a persistence in increased landings. If necessary, the length of fishing season and the recreational annual catch limit will be reduced in the following fishing year by the amount of the recreational overage, only if the species is overfished and the total annual catch limit is exceeded. The length of the recreational season and recreational annual catch limit will not be reduced if NOAA Fisheries determines a reduction is unnecessary. (SG Am 37 and DW 5)</p>	3

<p>If recreational landings reach or are projected to reach the recreational annual catch limit, the recreational sector will close for the remainder of the fishing year, unless NOAA Fisheries determines that a closure is unnecessary. If recreational landings exceed the recreational annual catch limit, then during the following fishing year, landings will be monitored for a persistence in increased landings. If necessary, the length of fishing season and the recreational annual catch limit will be reduced in the following fishing year by the amount of the recreational overage, only if the species is overfished and the total annual catch limit is exceeded. The length of the recreational season and recreational annual catch limit will not be reduced if NOAA Fisheries determines a reduction is unnecessary. (SG Am 37, effective 8/24/17)</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>If recreational landings, as estimated by the Science and Research Director, exceed the recreational annual catch limit, then during the following fishing year, recreational landings will be monitored for a persistence in increased landings. If necessary, the Regional Administrator shall publish a notice to reduce the length of the fishing season and the recreational annual catch limit in the following fishing year by the amount of the recreational overage, only at least one species in the complex is overfished and the total annual catch limit (commercial annual catch limit and recreational annual catch limit) is exceeded. The length of the recreational season and recreational annual catch limit will not be reduced if the Regional Administrator determines, using the best scientific information available, that a reduction is unnecessary. (Am 32).</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>If recreational landings, as estimated by the Science and Research Director, exceed the recreational annual catch limit, then during the following fishing year, recreational landings will be monitored for a persistence in increased landings. If necessary, the Regional Administrator shall publish a notice to reduce the length of the fishing season and the recreational annual catch limit in the following fishing year by the amount of the recreational overage, only if the species is overfished and the total annual catch limit (commercial annual catch limit and recreational annual catch limit) is exceeded. The length of the recreational season and recreational annual catch limit will not be reduced if the Regional Administrator determines, using the best scientific information available, that a reduction is unnecessary. (Am 32).</p>	<p>1</p>

<p>If recreational landings, as estimated by the SRD, reach or are projected to reach the recreational ACL and species is overfished, based on the most recent Status of U.S. Fisheries Report to Congress, the AA will file a notification with the Office of the Federal Register to close the recreational sector for the remainder of the fishing year. Without regard to overfished status, if recreational landings exceed the ACL, the AA will file a notification with the Office of the Federal Register, at or near the beginning of the following fishing year, to reduce the ACL for that fishing year by the amount of the overage. Compare the recreational ACL with recreational landings over a range of years. For 2012 and subsequent fishing years, the most recent 3-year running average recreational landings will be compared to the ACL. (Am 17B) If recreational landings, as estimated by the SRD, reach or are projected to reach the recreational ACL, the AA will file a notification to close the recreational sector for the remainder of the fishing year. Payback of a recreational overage would only take place if vermilion snapper are overfished and the total ACL is exceeded due to an overage in the recreational ACL. The amount of the overage would be deducted from the following year's recreational ACL. (Reg 14)</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>none (speckled hind and warsaw still closed)</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>set recreational season (Am 43 red snapper)</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Specify ACT (see under ACL). If annual landings exceed ACL, the following year's landings would be monitored in-season for persistence in increased landings. The Regional Administrator will publish a notice to reduce the length of the fishing season as necessary. (Comp ACL Am)</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>If the recreational sector quota (total ACL x recreational allocation) is exceeded and the Total ACL is exceeded, the RA shall publish a notice to reduce the bag limit by the amount necessary to ensure recreational landings may achieve the recreational annual catch target (ACT), but do not exceed the recreational ACL, in the following fishing year. Recreational landings will be evaluated relative to the ACL based on a moving multi-year average of landings, as described in the FMP. Payback of recreational overage only if overfished and the Total ACL is exceeded (CMP Am 18).</p>	<p>2</p>