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Species	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Minimum Size	Bag Limit	
Snapper															
 Red Snapper ★	Closed					Federally permitted for hire season: Open 12:01 AM June 1- Closure Date TBD Private recreational season: Determined by each Gulf state.		Closed					16 inches TL	2/pp	
 Gray (Mangrove) Snapper													12 inches TL		10 Snapper combined total
 Mutton Snapper													18 inches TL	5/pp	
 Yellowtail Snapper													12 inches TL		
 Cubera Snapper ★													12 inches TL		
 Queen Snapper ★													none		
 Blackfin Snapper ★													none		

 Wenchman ★				none		10 Snapper combined total	
 Silk Snapper ★				none			
 Vermilion Snapper ★				10 inches TL	10/pp	20 reef fish combined total	
 Lane Snapper				8 inches TL			
Other Reef Fish							
 Gray Triggerfish ★	Closed		Closed		15 inches FL	1/pp	20 reef fish combined total
 Almaco Jack ★				none			
 Golden Tilefish				none			
 Goldface Tilefish				none			

 Blueline Tilefish						none		
 Hogfish						14 inches FL	5/pp	
 Greater Amberjack ★	Closed		Closed		Closed	34 inches FL	1/pp	
*The greater amberjack recreational fishing year begins August 1.								
 Lesser Amberjack ★						14-22 inches FL		5 fish combined total
 Banded Rudderfish ★						14-22 inches FL		
Grouper								
 Gag Grouper ★	Closed					24 inches TL	2/pp	4 grouper combined total
 Red Grouper ★		Closed when fishing beyond 20 fathom break				20 inches TL	2/pp	
 Black Grouper						24 inches TL		

 Scamp		Closed when fishing beyond 20 fathom break		16 inches TL		4 grouper combined total
 Yellowfin Grouper				20 inches TL		
 Yellowmouth Grouper				none		
 Yellowedge Grouper				none		
 Snowy Grouper				none		
 Speckled Hind				none	1 per vessel	
 Warsaw Grouper				none	1 per vessel	
 Goliath Grouper		Closed		Harvest Prohibited		
 Nassau Grouper		Closed		Harvest Prohibited		

Coastal Migratory Pelagics							
					36 inches FL*	2/pp	
					12 inches FL	15/pp	
					24 inches FL	3/pp	
Shellfish							
		Closed April 1 - August 5 with a 2 day mini-season the last consecutive Wednesday and Thursday in July.			3 inches minimum carapace	6/pp	
Other							
	Closed						
★ Subject to in-season closure if annual catch limit is projected to be met.							