






















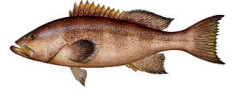









2023 Recreational Fishing Season Calendar



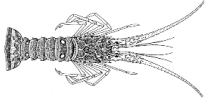

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| Snapper | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  Red Snapper ★ | Closed | | | | | Federally permitted for-hire season: Open 12:01 AM June 1- Closure Date TBD. Private recreational season: Determined by each Gulf state. | | | Closed | | | 16 inches TL | 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 | | |

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|  Blackfin Snapper ★ | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | 10 Snapper combined total |
|  Wenchman ★ | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | |
|  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 | |

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|  Almaco Jack ★ | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | 20 reef fish combined total |
|  Golden Tilefish | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | |
|  Goldface Tilefish | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | |
|  Blueline Tilefish | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | |
|  Hogfish | | | | | | | | | | | | | 14 inches FL | 5/pp | |
|  Greater Amberjack ★ | 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 |

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|  Banded Rudderfish ★ | | | | | | | | | | | | | 14-22 inches FL | | 5 fish combined total | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grouper | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  Gag Grouper ★ | Closed | | | | | | | | Open September 1 - November 10 | | Closed | 24 inches TL | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2/pp | 4 grouper combined total | | |
|  Red Gouper ★ | | Closed when fishing beyond 20 fathom break | | | | | | | | | | 20 inches TL | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2/pp | | | |
|  Black Grouper | | | | | | | | | | | | 24 inches TL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  Scamp | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 inches TL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  Yellowfin Grouper | | | | Closed when fishing beyond 20 fathom break | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 20 inches TL | | | |
|  Yellowmouth Grouper | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | | |

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|  Yellowedge Grouper | | | | | | | | | | | | | none | | 4 grouper combined total |
|  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 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  Cobia | | | | | | | | | | | | | 36 inches FL* | 2/pp | |

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|  Spanish Mackerel | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 inches FL | 15/pp | |
|  King Mackerel | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shellfish | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  Spiny Lobster | | | | 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 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  Red Drum | Closed | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ★ Subject to in-season closure if annual catch limit is projected to be met. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |