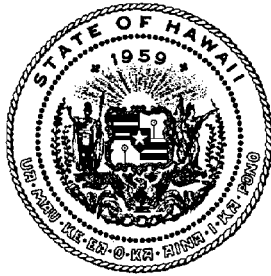


# **HAWAI‘I FISHING REGULATIONS**

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### *What's new in this revision*

**Nonresident recreational marine fishing license:** Nonresidents must now obtain a license to fish in the ocean (p. 61).

This information is presented to acquaint sport and commercial fishermen with State laws and rules pertaining to fishing in Hawai'i. It is not to be used as a legal document. Failure to include complete statutes or administrative rules in this summary does not relieve persons from abiding by those statutes and rules. Any discrepancies between this summary and the statutes or rules from which it was prepared will be enforced and adjudicated according to the official statutes and rules in effect on the date the activity took place. The full text of the statutes and rules is available for review at most public libraries in the State and at Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR) and Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE) offices. If questions arise concerning these regulations, please contact the nearest DAR or DOCARE office.

The provisions apply to all areas of the State, unless exempted or modified for certain specific management areas. A Freshwater Game Fishing License is required for the taking of certain introduced freshwater fishes (see p. 18). A Nonresident Recreational Marine Fishing License is required for nonresidents to fish in the ocean.

Fishermen are advised that many marine shoreline and freshwater areas of the State are private property, and that permission of the landowners is required for access. This publication does not imply or endorse the public's right to enter into or fish in such areas.

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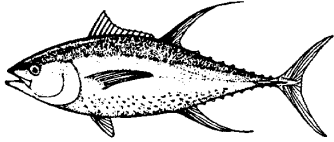
**REGULATED MARINE SPECIES**

**Species** (see p. 16)

**Season**

**Minimum Size**

**Bag Limit**

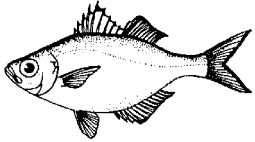


**'Ahi**

Open

3 pounds  
(sale)

None

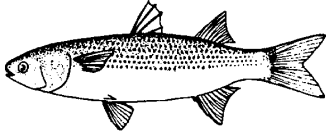


**Āholehole**

Open

5 inches

None

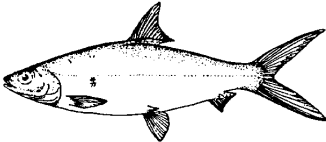


**'Ama'ama**  
(striped mullet)

Closed  
December—March

11 inches

None

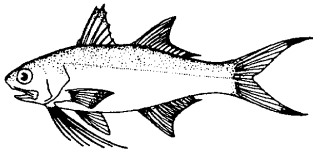


**Awa**

Open

9 inches

None

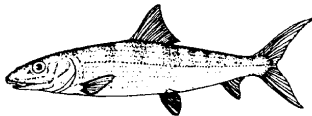


**Moi**

Closed  
June—August

11 inches

15

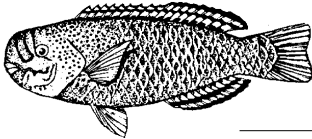


**'Ō'io**

Open

14 inches

None



**Uhu**

all species, except as noted below

Open

10 inches  
sale prohibited

2 total all species

**Uhu 'ele'ele and  
Uhu uliuli**

Open  
(closed Maui)

14 inches  
(except Maui)

2 total all species  
(except Maui)

Commercial uhu permittees may take more than  
2 uhu 'ele'ele and pālupaluka per day (see page 63)

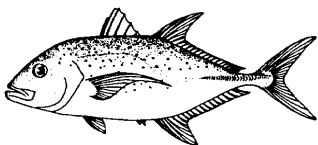
**Uhu pālupaluka and  
Uhu 'ahu'ula**

Open

14 inches

2 total all species

For species identification  
information, see page 15

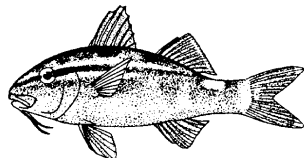


**Ulua & pāpio**

Open

10 inches  
16 inches (sale)

20  
(total all species,  
non-commercial only)

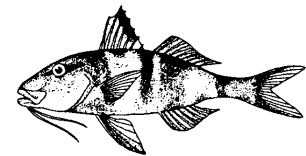


**Kūmū**

Open

10 inches  
(statewide **except Maui**)  
12 inches  
(**Maui only**)

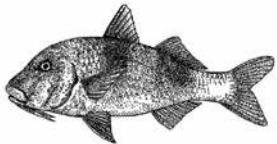
None  
(statewide **except Maui**)  
1  
(**Maui only**)



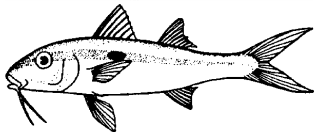
**Moano**



**Moano kea**



**Munu**

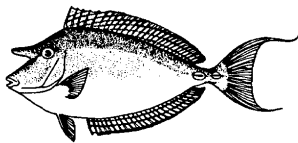


**Weke 'ā, weke 'ula (Maui only), & 'oama**  
*'oama are weke under 7"*  
*(statewide **except Maui**),*  
*or under 8" (Maui only)*

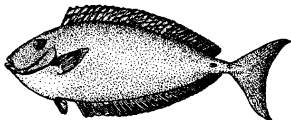


**Weke nono**

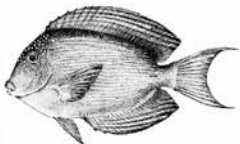
**All other goatfishes**  
 (Maui only)



**Kala**



**Kala 'ōpelu**



**Kole**

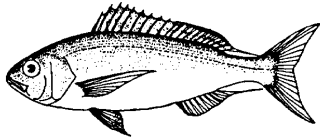


**Manini**



**Uku**

Species (see p. 16)	Season	Minimum Size	Bag Limit
Moano	Open	7 inches (statewide <b>except Maui</b> ) 8 inches ( <b>Maui only</b> )	None
Moano kea	Open	12 inches ( <b>Maui only</b> )	2 ( <b>Maui only</b> )
Munu	Open	8 inches ( <b>Maui only</b> )	2 ( <b>Maui only</b> )
Weke 'ā, weke 'ula (Maui only), & 'oama <i>'oama are weke under 7"</i> <i>(statewide <b>except Maui</b>),</i> <i>or under 8" (Maui only)</i>	Open	7 inches (sale) (statewide <b>except Maui</b> ) 8 inches ( <b>Maui only</b> )	50 'oama ( <i>'oama may be taken by</i> <i>hook-and-line only in</i> <b>Maui waters</b> )
Weke nono	Open	12 inches ( <b>Maui only</b> )	None
All other goatfishes (Maui only)	Open	8 inches ( <b>Maui only</b> )	None
Kala	Open	14 inches Commercial kala permittees may take more than 4 kala per day (see page 63)	4
Kala 'ōpelu	Open	16 inches	None
Kole	Open	5 inches	None
Manini	Open	6 inches	None
Uku	Open	1 pound (spearing/sale)	None

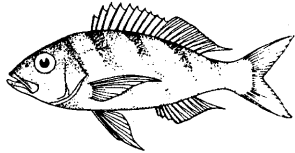
**Species** (see p. 16)**Season****Minimum Size****Bag Limit**

Deep 7 Bottomfish:  
‘Ula‘ula koa’e (Onaga)

‘Ōpakapaka  
Ehu

Kalekale  
Lehi

‘Ukikiki (Gindai)  
Hāpu‘u

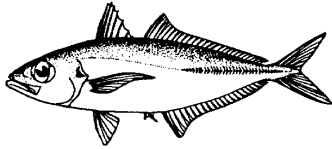


Closed when  
announced

See additional  
bottomfishing  
regulations, p. 61

Onaga and  
‘Ōpakapaka only:  
1 pound  
(sale)

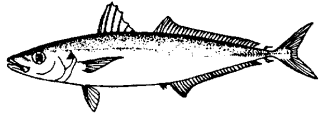
5  
(total of all Deep 7  
species, applies to  
non-commercial  
fishing only)

**Restrictions**

**Akule & halalū**

Open

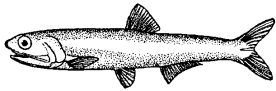
Unlawful to take akule under 8½ inches with net during July-October; or possess or sell more than 200 lbs of akule less than 8½ inches per day during July-October  
See also net regulations, page 54



‘Ōpelu

Open

No minimum mesh size;  
Unlawful to use animal bait except with hook-and-line in waters of South Kona between Kī‘ilae-Keokea and Kapu‘a-Kaulanamauna boundaries



**Nehu**

Open

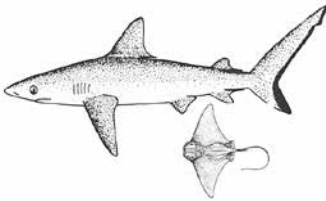
Bag limit one gallon (home consumption);  
Nets over 50 feet for commercial use only;  
Bait license required for commercial use;  
Unlawful to sell or trade dried or cured nehu



‘lao

Open

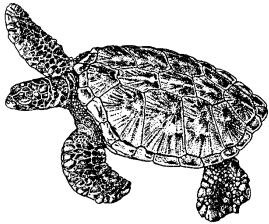
Commercial use only, bait license required;  
Unlawful to sell or trade dried or cured ‘lao



**Mano** (shark) and  
**hīhimanu** (ray)

None

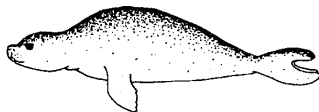
Unlawful to capture or entangle any shark or ray, whether alive or dead, or kill any shark or ray.



**Honu** (sea turtle)

None

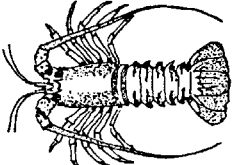
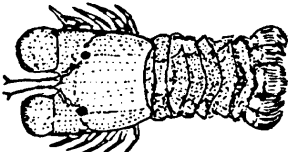
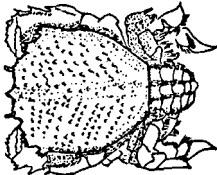

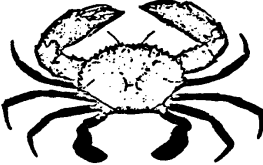
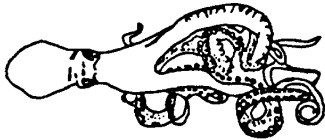

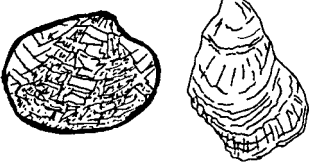

No open season.  
Federal laws also apply to these  
threatened and endangered species.



‘Īlioheleikauaau  
(Hawaiian monk seal)

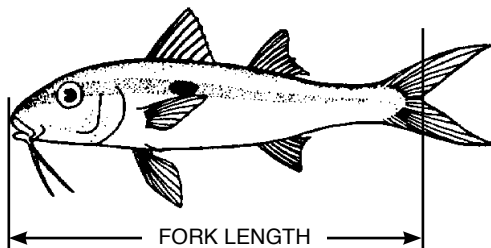
None

Unlawful to molest, kill, capture or possess at any time. Federal laws also apply to these threatened and endangered species

Species (see p. 17)	Season	Minimum Size	Restrictions
	Closed May—August	3¼ inches (carapace length)	No spearing. Whole only, not mutilated. No taking or possessing with eggs. No taking or killing females.
	Closed May—August	2¾ inches (tail width)	No spearing. Whole only, not mutilated. No taking or possessing with eggs.
	Closed May—September	4 inches (carapace length)	No spearing. No taking with eggs.
	Open	4 inches (long or wide) (sale)	No spearing. No taking with eggs. No selling speared or with eggs.
	Open	6 inches (width across back)	No spearing. No taking with eggs. No taking or killing females.
	Open	1 pound	None
	Open	1¼ inches (shell diameter) ½ inch (meat diameter, if meat only)	None.
	Closed	Taking prohibited	None
	<p>Commercial consumptive take and sale prohibited. Personal use limited to 10 per person per day. Aquarium purposes: tiger tail (<i>Holothuria hilla</i>) and hot dog (<i>H. edulis</i>) sea cucumbers may be taken (from O'ahu waters only), possessed, or sold; bag limit 20 per person per day, until a catch limit of 3,600 animals per year is reached. <b>Note:</b> Commercial aquarium collection is prohibited pending compliance with HRS Chapter 343 environmental review.</p>		

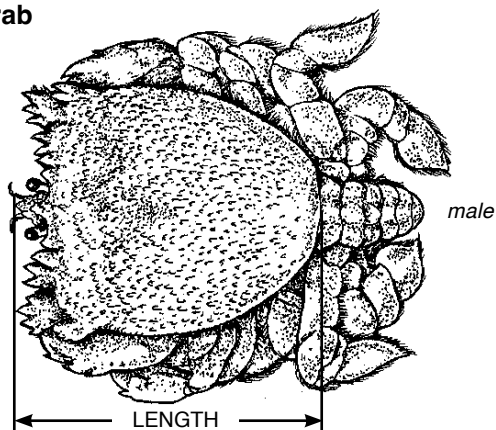
**MEASURING FISH;  
MEASURING AND SEXING INVERTEBRATES**

**Fish**

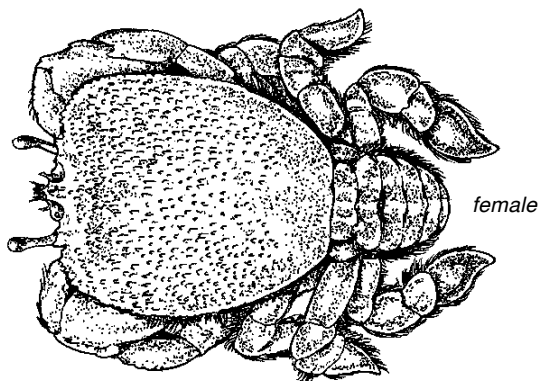


Measure **FORK LENGTH**, the straight-line distance from tip of snout to middle of trailing edge of tail.

**Kona crab**



Measure **CARAPACE LENGTH** in straight line from rostrum to middle of trailing edge of carapace.

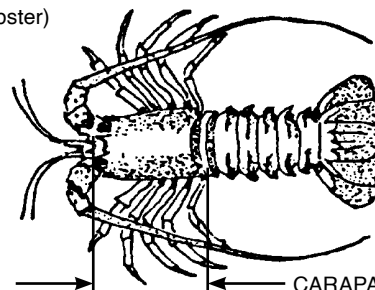


Determining sex:

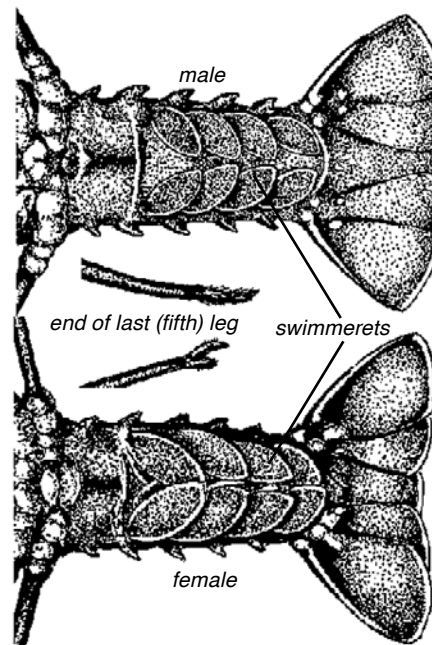
Male (top): "tail" (abdomen) narrow and pointed; front edge of carapace becomes squared with growth and develops horn-like extensions at the sides.

Female (bottom): abdomen broad and rounded, swimmerets under abdomen larger than in males and with numerous long bristles; front edge of carapace remains rounded.

**Ula** (spiny lobster)



Measure **CARAPACE LENGTH**, the distance from ridge between two largest spines above eyes to rear edge of carapace.



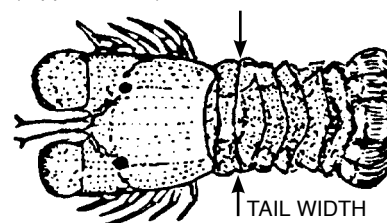
Determining sex:

Male (top): swimmerets on underside of "tail" (abdomen) each have one leaf-like segment; end of fifth (last) pair of walking legs similar to other walking legs and not claw-shaped.

Female (bottom): swimmerets each have two branches — in first set both are leaf-like, others have one leaf-like and one rod-like branch; swimmerets usually larger than on males; end of fifth pair of walking legs claw-shaped.

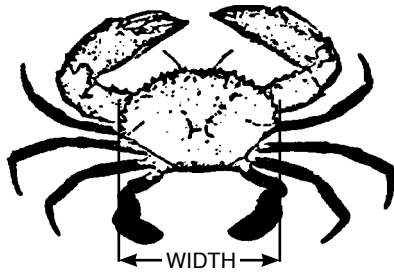
**TAKING OF FEMALES PROHIBITED.**

**Ula pāpapa** (slipper lobster)

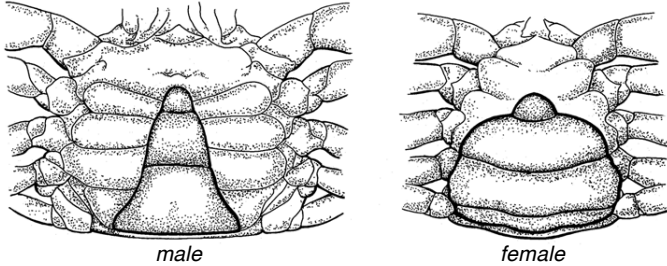


Measure **TAIL WIDTH** between first and second abdominal segments.

## Samoan crab



Measure WIDTH of carapace at widest point.



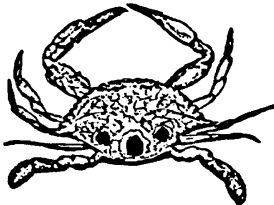
Determining sex:

Male (left): "tail" (abdomen) is continuously tapered from its point of attachment to last segment.

Female (right): abdomen is broad and rounded; first two segments about as wide as body.

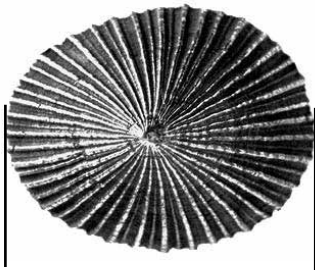
**TAKING OF FEMALES PROHIBITED.**

## Pāpa'i kūhonu (white crab)



Measure LENGTH or WIDTH of carapace at widest point, as shown for Kona crab and Samoan crab.

## 'Opihi



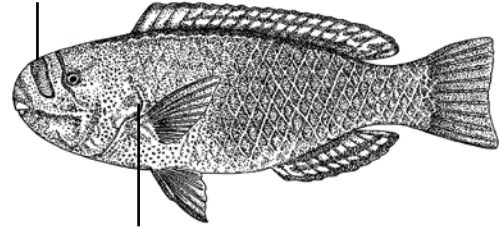
Measure LONGEST DISTANCE across shell.

## IDENTIFYING REGULATED UHU (parrotfish) SPECIES

### Uhu uliuli (terminal male)

Blue-green coloration with dark dots on anterior scales and pinkish edges on posterior scales.

Conspicuous blue-edged lateral band in front of eyes, across top of snout.

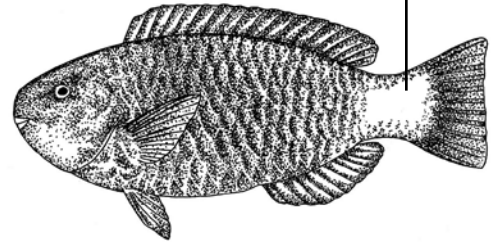


Bright yellow mark at base of pectoral fins.

### Uhu 'ahu'ula

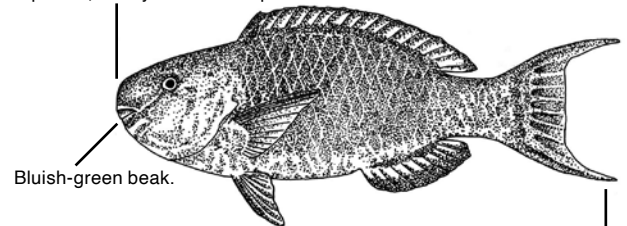
Dark reddish-brown coloration with darker scale margins. Red fins.

Broad white band at base of caudal fin, extending into the fin.



### Uhu 'ele'ele (terminal male)

Green coloration, with dark blue marks around the mouth, extending to eyes. Squarish, nearly vertical humped snout.



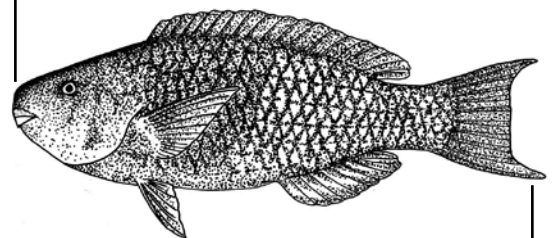
Bluish-green beak.

Lunate caudal fin with trailing filaments.

### Uhu palukaluka

Reddish-brown anteriorly, abruptly changing to yellowish-gray posteriorly. Numerous small black spots and irregular lines on scales, creating textured appearance.

Squarish, nearly vertical humped snout.



Lunate caudal fin with trailing filaments.



## OTHER REGULATED MARINE SPECIES

### Coral and live rocks

#### Stony coral

Unlawful to take, break or damage, any stony coral, including any reef or mushroom coral. Unlawful to damage any stony coral by any intentional or negligent activity causing the introduction of sediment, biological contaminants, or pollution into state waters.

Unlawful to sell or offer for sale any stony coral, except that stony coral rubble pieces or fragments imported for the manufacture and sale of coral jewelry, or dead stony coral obtained through legal dredging operations in Hawaii, may be sold.

**Note:** Taking of sand, dead coral, and coral rubble is prohibited statewide by statute (HRS §171-58.5 and §205A-44).



#### Pink, gold, and black corals

Unlawful to take, destroy, possess or sell any pink or gold corals from State waters.

Unlawful to take, destroy, or possess any black coral with a base diameter of less than ¾ inches from State waters.

Exceptions: With a permit, to take or possess pink or gold coral for scientific or educational purposes; or to take or possess pink or gold coral for commercial purposes, provided that harvesters make every effort to take only mature colonies of pink coral 10 inches or larger in height.

**Note:** Harvesting of pink, gold or black corals may be suspended at any time.

#### Live rocks

Unlawful to take, break or damage, any live rock, defined as any natural hard substrate to which marine life is visibly attached or affixed.

Unlawful to damage any live rock by any intentional or negligent activity causing the introduction of sediment, biological contaminants, or pollution into state waters.

Unlawful to sell any live rock.

#### Limu (ogo)

##### Prohibited

To take with the holdfast, the part attaching to a rock or other surface.

To take when covered with reproductive nodes or bumps.

##### Bag limits

One pound per person per day for home consumption.

Ten pounds per day per marine licensee for commercial purposes. No commercial taking on Maui.



## SCIENTIFIC NAMES OF REGULATED SPECIES

### Hawaiian or common name

### Scientific name

(or recognized synonym)

#### Fishes

Āholehole	<i>Kuhlia sandvicensis</i> , <i>K. xenura</i>
Akule	<i>Selar crumenophthalmus</i>
'Ama'ama, pua (striped mullet)	<i>Mugil cephalus</i>
Awa	<i>Chanos chanos</i>
Goatfish (Maui)	family Mullidae
Gold-spot herring	<i>Herklotsichthys quadrimaculatus</i>
Hāpu'u	<i>Epinephelus quernus</i>
'Iao (silversides)	<i>Atherinomorus insularum</i>
Kala	<i>Naso unicornis</i> , <i>N. brevirostris</i> , <i>N. annulatus</i>
Kalekale	<i>Pristipomoides sieboldii</i>
Kole	<i>Ctenochaetus strigosus</i>

Kūmū  
Lehi  
Makiawa (mikiawa)  
Manini  
Marquesan sardine  
Moano  
Moano kea  
Moi  
Munu  
Nehu  
Ō'io  
Ōpākāpaka  
Ōpelu  
Ōpelu kala  
Piha  
"Tabai"  
Threadfin shad  
Uhu (statewide except Maui)

Uhu (Maui)  
Uhu uliuli and uhu 'ahu'ula  
Uhu 'ele'ele and uhu pālūkāluka  
'Ukikiki (gindai)  
'Ula'ula (ehu)  
'Ula'ula koa'e (onaga)  
Ulua and pāpio

Weke ('ā) and 'oama  
Weke 'ula (Maui)  
Weke nono (Maui)

#### Invertebrates

Abalone  
Cherrystone clam (quahog)  
Coral rock oyster  
Eastern oyster  
Hā'uke'uke  
He'e  
Japanese oyster  
Japanese littleneck clam  
Kona crab  
Ōpae (shrimp)  
Ōpihi  
Pearl oyster  
Samoan crab  
Top shell  
Ula (spiny lobster)  
Ula pāpapa (slipper lobster)  
Wana  
Wana halula

#### Algae

Limu

*Parupeneus porphyreus*  
*Aphareus rutilans*  
*Etrumeus teres*, *E. micropus*  
*Acanthurus triostegus sandvicensis*  
*Sardinella marquensis*  
*Parupeneus multifasciatus*  
*Parupeneus cyclostomus*  
*Polydactylus sexfilis*  
*Parupeneus insularis*  
*Encrasicholina purpurea*  
*Albula glossodonta*  
*Pristipomoides filamentosus*  
*Decapterus macarellus*  
*Naso hexacanthus*  
*Spratelloides delicatulus*  
*Mollienesia* spp.  
*Dorosoma petenense*  
*Scarus dubius*, *S. psittacus*,  
*S. rubroviolaceus*,  
*Chlorurus spilurus*, *C. perspicillatus*  
family Scaridae  
*Chlorurus perspicillatus*  
*Scarus rubroviolaceus*  
*Pristipomoides zonatus*  
*Etelis carbunculus*  
*Etelis coruscans*  
*Caranx ignobilis*, *C. lugubris*,  
*C. melampygus*, *C. sexfasciatus*  
*Carangoides equula*, *C. ferdau*,  
*C. orthogrammus*  
*Mulloidichthys flavolineatus*  
*Mulloidichthys vanicolensis*  
*Mulloidichthys pfluegeri*

*Haliotis* spp.  
*Mercenaria mercenaria*  
*Crassostrea amasa*  
*C. virginica*  
*Colobocentrotus atratus*  
*Octopus cyanea*, *O. ornatus*  
*Crassostrea gigas*  
*Tapes philippinarum*  
*Ranina ranina*  
Order Decapoda  
Genus *Cellana*  
*Pinctada margaritifera*  
*Scylla serrata*  
*Trochus* spp.  
*Panulirus penicillatus*, *P. marginatus*  
*Scyllarides squamosus*, *S. haanii*  
*Echinothrix diadema*  
*Diadema paucispinum*

*Gracillaria* spp.

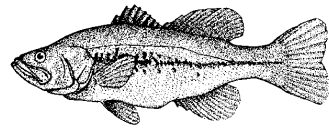
#### O'ahu aquarium fishing rules

Achilles tang	<i>Acanthurus achilles</i>
Bandit angelfish or Banded angel	<i>Apolemichthys arcuatus</i> <i>Holacanthus arcuatus</i> , <i>Desmoholacanthus arcuatus</i>
Cleaner wrasse	<i>Labroides phthiophagus</i>
Kole	<i>Ctenochaetus strigosus</i>
Moorish idol	<i>Zanclus cornutus</i>
Naso tang	<i>Naso lituratus</i>
Ornate butterflyfish	<i>Chaetodon ornatissimus</i>
Oval butterflyfish	<i>C. lunulatus</i>
Potter's angel	<i>Centropyge potteri</i>
Reticulated butterflyfish	<i>Chaetodon reticulatus</i>
Yellow tang	<i>Zebraflorea flavescens</i>

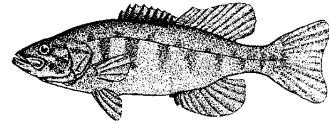
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## REGULATED FRESHWATER SPECIES

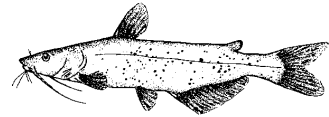
Freshwater Game Fishing License required for introduced game species. Unlawful to sell introduced game species. See also special provisions for individual areas.



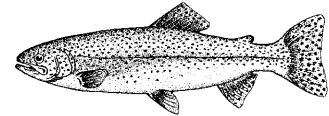
**Largemouth bass**



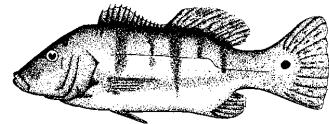
**Smallmouth bass**



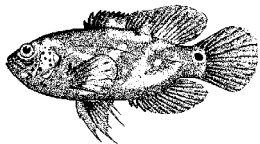
**Channel catfish**



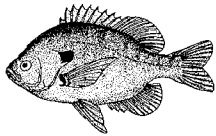
**Rainbow trout**



**Tucunare**



**Oscar**



**Bluegill sunfish**

Native



**'O'opu & hinana**

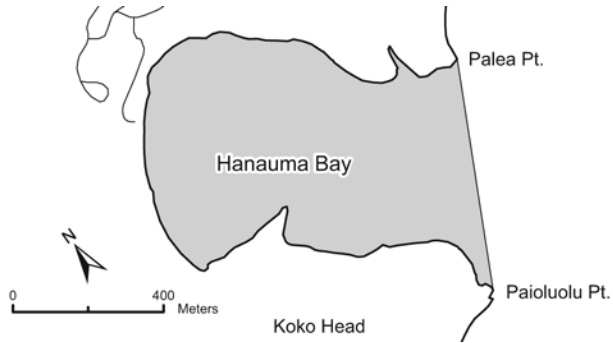


**Hihiwai, hapawai,  
& 'opae kala'ole**

Species	Season	Minimum Size	Bag Limit
Introduced			
Largemouth bass	Open	9 inches Catch and release only in Wahiawā PFA (p. 26) Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)	10 (total lg & smmouth) Catch and release only in Wahiawā PFA (p. 26); Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)
Smallmouth bass	Open	9 inches Catch and release only in Wahiawā PFA (p. 26) Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)	10 (total lg & smmouth) Catch and release only in Wahiawā PFA (p. 26); Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)
Channel catfish	Open	None	3
Rainbow trout	Restricted (Kōke'e, Kauai only, see p. 42)	None May differ for Kōke'e, Kaua'i, as announced	10 May differ for Kōke'e, Kaua'i, as announced
Tucunare	Open	12 inches Catch and release only in Wahiawā PFA (p. 26) Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)	3 Catch and release only in Wahiawā PFA (p. 26); Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)
Oscar	Open	10 inches Special provisions for Wahiawā PFA (p. 26)	3 Special provisions for Wahiawā PFA (p. 26)
Bluegill sunfish	Open	None Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)	None Special provisions for Wailua Res. PFA (p. 43)
Native			
'O'opu & hinana	Open	Restrictions: Use of traps, weirs and nets (except thrownets) prohibited Possession of nets (except thrownets) near waters where 'o'opu or hinana may be taken prohibited Sale of 'o'opu or hinana prohibited	
Hihiwai, hapawai, & 'opae kala'ole	Open	Restrictions: Unlawful to sell or offer for sale	

## REGULATED FISHING AREAS

# O'AHU



### Hanauma Bay Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Hanauma Bay Marine Life Conservation District is located offshore of the City and County of Honolulu's Hanauma Bay Beach Park on the southeastern coast of O'ahu, from the highwater mark seaward to a line from Palea Point to Pai'olu'olu Point. Hanauma Bay has also been designated as a State Underwater Park of the Division of State Parks. Rules of the State Park system also apply to the use of the underwater park.

#### Permitted

- To possess in the water a knife for personal safety.
- With a permit, to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

#### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure any marine life (including eggs), or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking of marine life.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen, or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking or altering of a geological feature or specimen.
- To introduce any food or other substance into the water to feed or attract marine life.
- To operate any watercraft.



### Pūpūkea Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Pūpūkea Marine Life Conservation District is located on the northern coast of O'ahu, from the highwater mark seaward, bounded by a line extending due west from Kulalua Point to a point 100 yards offshore, then south to the most seaward exposed rock of

Wananapaoa Islets on the south side of Waimea Bay (including the islets), then due southeast to shore, as shown.

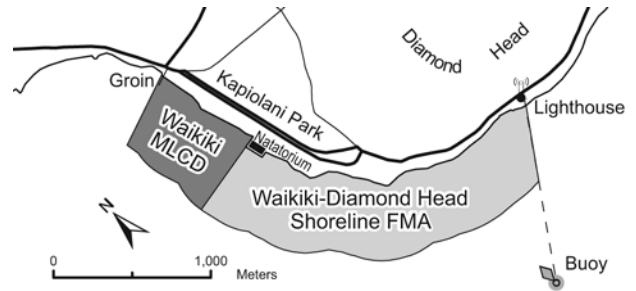
#### Permitted

- To take and possess up to two pounds (combined total, squeezed dry) of limu kohu and limu lipe'epe'e by hand harvest only, provided the limu's holdfast is left in place.
  - To possess a knife for personal safety only.
- Within Waimea Bay only:**
- To take and possess any finfish with hook-and-line from shore, with not more than two poles per person and one line per pole with no more than two hooks per line.
  - To take with legal nets and possess 'opelu during August and September, and akule during November and December.

#### Prohibited

- To fish for, take, injure, kill, possess or remove any marine life (including eggs), except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or alter any geological feature or specimen.
- To possess in the water any device that may be used to take marine life, or alter any geological feature or specimen.
- To introduce any food or other substance into the water to attract marine life, except as permitted for fishing in Waimea Bay.
- To snag any akule while fishing from the shore of Waimea Bay according to permitted activities above.

**Warning: Hazardous to enter water during periods of high surf along the North Shore.**



### Waikīkī Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Waikīkī Marine Life Conservation District extends from the groin at Kapahulu Avenue to the ewa wall of the Waikīkī War Memorial Natatorium, from the highwater mark out to a minimum seaward distance of 500 yards, or to the seaward edge of the fringing reef if one occurs beyond 500 yards.

#### Permitted

- To possess in the water any knife and any shark billy, bang stick, powerhead or carbon dioxide injector.
- With a permit to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

#### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure any marine life (including eggs), or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking of marine life.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen, or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking or altering of a geological feature or specimen.

## Waikīkī-Diamond Head Shoreline Fisheries Management Area

(see map previous page)

**Location:** The Waikīkī-Diamond Head Shoreline Fisheries Management Area extends from the 'Ewa wall of the Waikīkī War Memorial Natatorium to the Diamond Head Lighthouse, from the highwater mark out to a minimum seaward distance of 500 yards, or to the seaward edge of the fringing reef if one occurs beyond 500 yards.

### Fishing periods

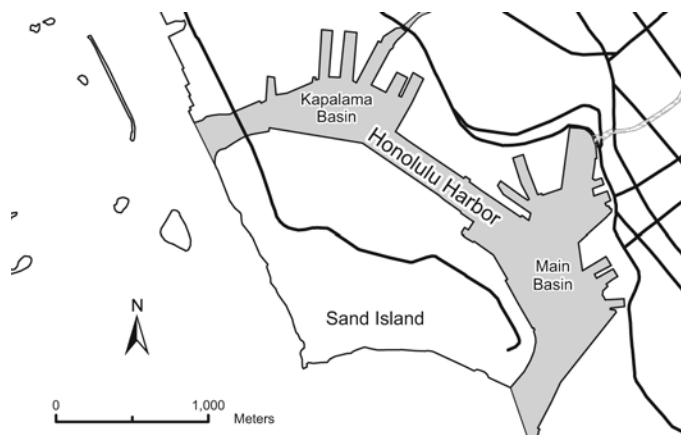
- "Open to fishing" from January 1 to December 31 of even-numbered years.
- "Closed to fishing" from January 1 to December 31 of odd-numbered years.

### Permitted

- To fish for, take or possess any legal size marine life in season during the "open to fishing" period, provided that only hook-and-line, thrownet, handnet to land hooked fish, and spear fishing and hand harvesting methods are employed.
- With a permit to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure any marine life (including eggs), or to possess in the water any fishing gear during the "closed to fishing" period.
- To use any spear between the hours of 6:00 pm to 6:00 am, or have or possess in the water any trap or net except thrownet or handnet to land hooked fish during the "open to fishing" period.



**Honolulu Harbor**

**Location:** Honolulu Harbor is the primary port on the southern coast of O'ahu.

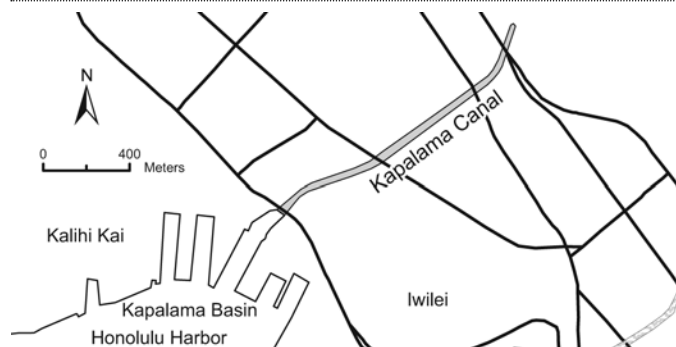
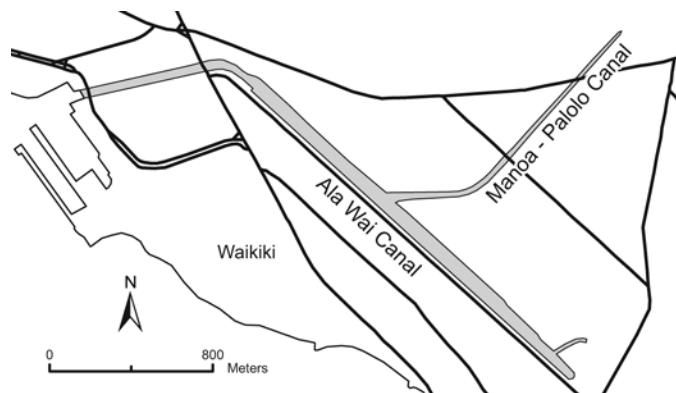
### Permitted

- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take bait-fish during periods scheduled by the harbor master.

### Prohibited

- Unlawful to take fish by means of any draw, drag or seine net.

**Note:** All boaters must be in contact with the harbor controller (VHF Ch. 12) whenever operating in Honolulu Harbor.



## Ala Wai Canal, Kapālama Canal

**Location:** Ala Wai Canal is located immediately north of Waikīkī, and for the purposes described here includes the Manoa-Pālolo drainage canal at the mouth of Manoa and Pālolo Streams. Kapālama Canal is located at the mouth of Kapālama Stream, north of Sand Island.

### Permitted

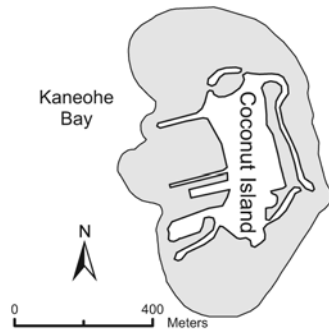
- To take any legal size fish in season with one line, or one rod and line, with no more than two hooks.
- To take crabs with not more than 10 nets, provided the nets are not more than two feet in diameter.
- To take shrimp for bait with a hand net, provided that the net is not more than three feet in any dimension.
- Within the Ala Wai Canal only, take up to 50 "tabai" or mosquito fish, 'o'opu akupa, tilapia or a combination thereof per day for non-commercial purposes, with a single small mesh net, provided the net including the handle and any attachment is not more than three feet in any dimension.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take bait-fishes.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may take young mullet (pua) or other small fish for stocking their fishpond.

### Prohibited

- To fish in or take aquatic life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.

## Coconut Island — Hawaii Marine Laboratory Refuge

**Location:** The Hawaii Marine Laboratory Refuge consists of the reefs and bay waters surrounding Coconut (Moku-o-Loe) Island located in Kāneʻohe Bay, from the highwater mark on the island seaward to twenty-five feet beyond the outer edges of the reefs.

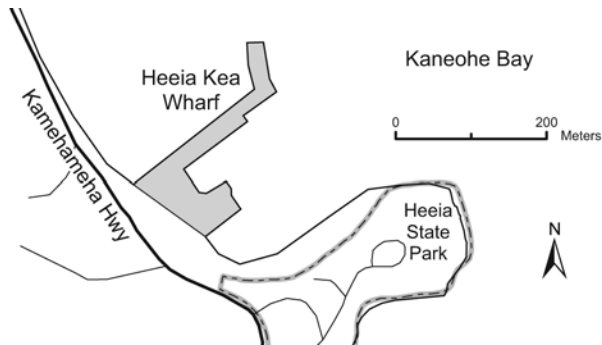


### Prohibited

- Unlawful to take any aquatic life from within the boundaries of the refuge.

### Exceptions

- This restriction does not apply to any officer, faculty member, employee or student of the University of Hawaiʻi, or licensee of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaiʻi while employed in catching or taking of aquatic life for scientific purposes. All authorized taking of aquatic life must follow minimum size and closed seasons for certain species, gear restrictions, etc.



## He'eia Kea Wharf

**Location:** He'eia Kea Wharf is located at He'eia Kea Boat Harbor on Kāneʻohe Bay, O'ahu.

### Permitted

- To take any legal size fish in season with one line, or one rod and line, with no more than two hooks.
- To take crabs with not more than 10 nets, provided the nets are not more than two feet in diameter.
- To take shrimp for bait with a hand net, provided that the net is not more than three feet in any dimension.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take baitfishes.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may take young mullet (pua) or other small fish for stocking their fishpond.

### Prohibited

- To fish in or take aquatic life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.



## Waialua Bay (Hale'iwa Harbor)

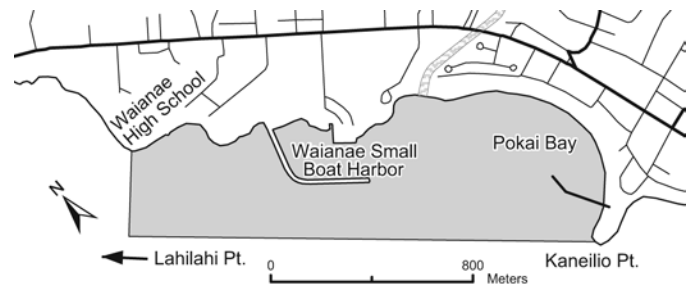
**Location:** That portion of Waialua Bay at Hale'iwa bounded by lines drawn 100 yards seaward of and parallel to the Hale'iwa Harbor Breakwater and 100 yards seaward of and parallel to the Hale'iwa Beach Groyne, and inland by a line ten yards downstream of and parallel to the Anahulu Bridge.

### Permitted

- To take any legal size fish in season with one line, or one rod and line, with no more than two hooks.
- To take crabs with not more than 10 nets, provided the nets are not more than two feet in diameter.
- To take shrimp for bait with a hand net, provided that the net is not more than three feet in any dimension.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take baitfishes.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may take young mullet (pua) or other small fish for stocking their fishpond.

### Prohibited

- To fish in or take aquatic life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.



## Pōka'i Bay

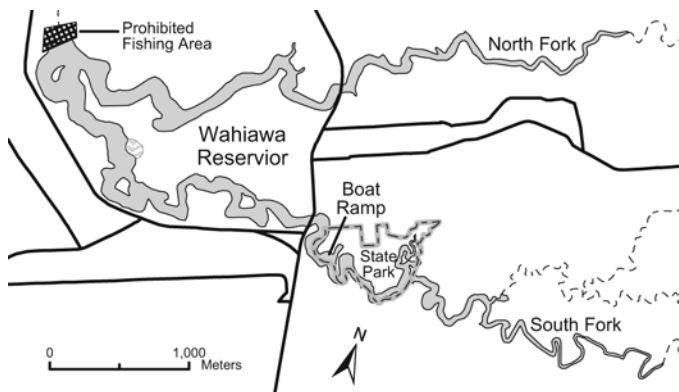
**Location:** That portion of Pōka'i Bay including the Pōka'i Boat Harbor and the Wai'anae Small Boat Harbor, the seaward boundary a straight line from Kane'ilio Point to Lahilahi Point, and the north-western boundary a straight line extending southwest from the point immediately seaward of Wai'anae High School.

### Permitted

- To take any legal size fish in season with one line, or one rod and line, with no more than two hooks.
- To take crabs with not more than 10 nets, provided the nets are not more than two feet in diameter.
- To take shrimp for bait with a hand net, provided that the net is not more than three feet in any dimension.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take baitfishes.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may take young mullet (pua) or other small fish for stocking their fishpond.

### Prohibited

- To fish in or take aquatic life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.



### Wahiawā Public Fishing Area

**Location:** The Wahiawā Public Fishing Area includes a portion of the privately-owned Wahiawā Reservoir (Lake Wilson) in the central portion of O‘ahu. The Wahiawā State Freshwater Park is located along the South Fork of the Reservoir and includes a boat launching ramp and vehicle-trailer parking areas. The Park is a facility of the Division of State Parks. Rules of the State Parks System apply to the use of the facility.

### Permitted

- To fish with hook-and-line with not more than one lure or baited hook or two artificial flies attached to a single line, provided that on weekends and holidays only one line may be used, and on weekdays other than holidays two lines may be used.
- To use attended traps and dip nets up to two feet long, wide, or high, excluding the handle, to land hooked fish or to take certain baitfishes, provided that tucunare, bass, channel catfish and oscar shall not be used as bait.

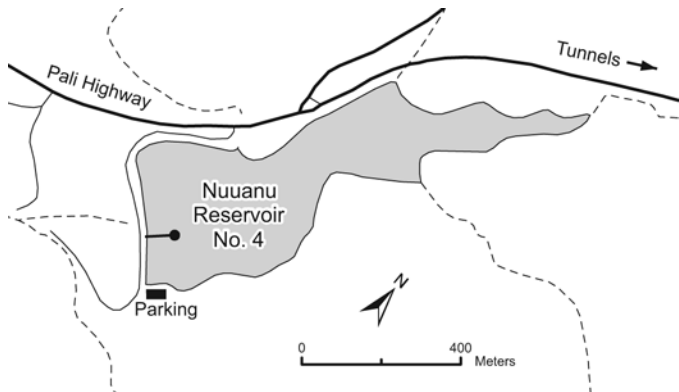
### Prohibited

- To enter into or fish without a valid Freshwater Game Fishing License and entry permit or other appropriate license or permit, and a USCG approved personal flotation device, and provided that all licensees or permittees under 15 years of age are accompanied by an adult.
- To enter onto, fish from, or approach within 200 feet of the spillway dam and its shoreline, or to enter into or fish within the Forest Reserve along the North Fork.
- To swim, water ski, camp, picnic, build fires, dispose of refuse or pollute the waters, or damage public or private property.

- To possess any firearms, air rifles or pistols, bows and arrows, spear, trotlines, nets other than dip nets, chemicals or other illegal fishing gear.
- To snag any fish.
- To operate a boat exceeding 18 feet in length, or for purposes other than fishing, or at speeds in excess of five miles per hour, or constructed of material other than wood unless provided with flotation to render the boat unsinkable.

### Exceptions to size and bag limits

- Bass and tucunare. Catch and release fishing only. Unlawful to keep, retain, hold, or kill any bass or tucunare. Bass or tucunare brought to shore or on board a vessel must be returned to the water immediately.
- Oscar. Bag limit 1.



### Nu‘uanu Freshwater Fish Refuge

**Location:** The Nu‘uanu Freshwater Fish Refuge includes the City and County of Honolulu’s Nu‘uanu Reservoirs No. 2, 3, and 4, located between Honolulu and Kailua off the Pali Highway on O‘ahu.

### Prohibited

To enter into refuge unless accompanied by an agent of, or with a permit issued by the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

**Nu‘uanu Reservoir No. 4 is now closed to fishing.**

### ‘Ewa Limu Management Area

**Location:** The ‘Ewa Limu Management Area is located in the waters off ‘Ewa Beach on the south shore of O‘ahu, and extends from the western edge of the gunnery range to Mu‘umu‘u Place, from the shoreline 150 feet seaward.

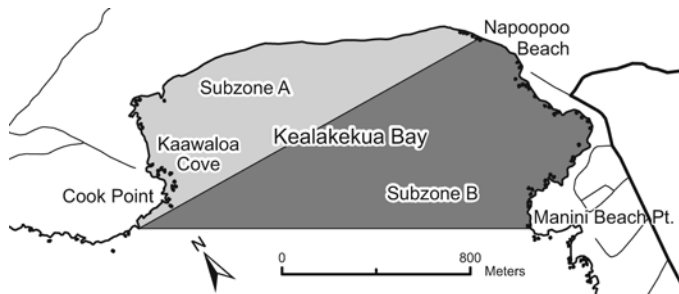
### Permitted

- To hand-pick up to one pound of all types of limu combined per person per day from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm during the months of July, November, and December.
- To exercise native Hawaiian gathering rights and traditional cultural practices as authorized by law.

### Prohibited

- To pick, gather, harvest or otherwise take limu except as described above without a permit.

# HAWAII



## Kealakekua Bay Marine Life Conservation District

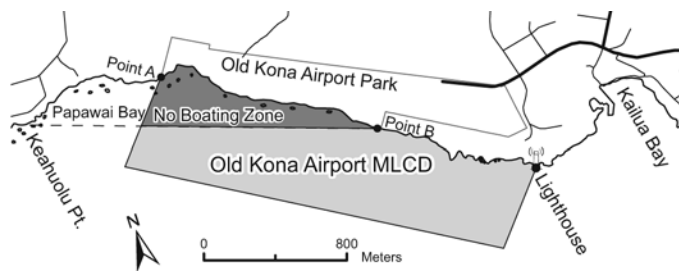
**Location:** The Kealakekua Bay Marine Life Conservation District is located offshore of the Kealakekua Bay Historical State Park on the western coast of the island of Hawai'i, from the highwater mark seaward to a line from Cook Point to Manini Beach Point. A line from Cook Point to the north end of Nāpō'opo'o Beach divides the District into Subzone A to the north, and Subzone B to the south. The Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation has also established provisions relating to boating, anchoring and mooring within the Marine Life Conservation District.

### Permitted

- Within Subzone B only, to fish for, take or possess any finfish with or by the use of hook-and-line and thrownet, provided that any legal fishing device or method except traps may be used for the taking of akule, 'opelu and crustaceans.
- To possess in the water any knife and any shark billy, bang stick, powerhead or carbon dioxide injector.
- With a permit to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure marine life (including eggs), except as indicated in "Permitted" activities above.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen.
- To engage or attempt to engage in fish feeding.



## Old Kona Airport Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Old Kona Airport Marine Life Conservation District (MLCD) includes (1) the waters offshore of the Old Kona Airport to the Kailua Lighthouse, bounded by a straight line from Point "A" seaward 500 yards, to a straight line from the Kailua Lighthouse seaward 500 yards; and (2) a "No Boating Zone" within the MLCD bounded by a

straight line from Keahuolū Point to the southwestern corner of the private property at Point "B".

### Permitted

- To fish for, take, possess or remove akule by handline at night, and 'opelu by lift or 'opelu net method using bait or chum for commercial or home consumption.
- To fish for, take, possess or remove any finfish for home consumption by throw net or pole-and-line (without reel) with bait from shore.
- To collect wana, wana halula, and hā'uke'uke with hand tool, and without use of scuba gear, from June 1 to October 1.
- To use the state mooring not longer than three hours per boat each day on a first come, first served basis for non-commercial use.
- Commercial dive/tour operations may be conducted at the mooring and from shore with a permit.

### Prohibited

- To fish for, take, injure, kill, possess or remove any marine life, including live sea shell and 'opihī, live coral, algae or limu, or other marine life, or their eggs, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or alter any sand, shell, coral, rock or other geological feature or specimen, or to possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking or altering of marine life, geological feature or specimen.
- To feed or introduce any food material, substance or device as an attractant, directly to or in the vicinity of any aquatic organism except for the purpose of catching and removing that organism as permitted.
- To anchor a water craft in the MLCD, or operate a motorboat or other motor powered water craft within the "No Boating Zone" except for emergency or enforcement purposes.
- To conduct commercial dive/tour activities except as indicated in permitted activities above.

## Waialea Bay Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Waialea Bay Marine Life Conservation District is located offshore of Waialea Bay along the northwestern coast of the island of Hawai'i, from the highwater mark seaward to a line from Kānekanaka Point to the point immediately north of 'Ōhai Point.

### Permitted

- To have or possess any fishing pole and hook-and-line, and to fish for, take or possess any finfish using such gear.
- To possess in the water any knife and any shark billy, bang stick, powerhead or carbon dioxide injector.
- With a permit to possess and use legal nets to fish for, take or possess finfishes over the sandy bottom areas within the District, and to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.



### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure any marine life (including eggs), or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking of marine life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen, or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking or altering of a geological feature or specimen.
- To engage or attempt to engage in fish feeding.

## Lapakahi Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Lapakahi Marine Life Conservation District encompasses Subzone A (Koaie Cove) and Subzone B, the adjacent shoreline area extending approximately 500 feet offshore of the Lapakahi State Historical Park on the northwestern coast of the island of Hawai'i.

### Permitted

- Within Subzone B only, to fish for, take or possess any 'ōpelu by lift or 'ōpelu net, or any finfish or crustacean by hook-and-line or thrownet.
- To possess in the water any knife and any shark billy, bang stick, powerhead or carbon dioxide injector.
- With a permit to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure any marine life (including eggs), or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking of marine life.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen, or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking or altering of a geological feature or specimen.
- To engage or attempt to engage in fish feeding.



## Hilo Bay, Wailoa River, and Wailuku River

**Location:** "Hilo Harbor" refers to that portion of the bay in Hilo bounded seaward by the breakwater, and a line from the tip of the breakwater southwestward to Āle'ale'a Point. "Wailoa River" is that part of Wailoa River bounded by a line drawn across the mouth of the river and the footbridge at the mouth of Waiākea Pond, and includes Waiolama Canal upstream to the highest wash of the tidal water. "Wailuku River" is that part of Wailuku River between the Māmalahoa Highway bridge and Wainaku Avenue bridge.

### Permitted

- Use of thrownets, 'opae nets not exceeding three feet in any dimension, and nehu nets not longer than fifty feet to take nehu for family consumption or bait purposes.
- Taking of crabs with baited lines, provided that a dip net may be used to land crabs lured to the bait, or with not more than five crab nets not exceeding two feet in longest straight line dimension and stretched mesh of not less than two inches, provided such nets are attended to at all times.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take bait-fishes.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may take young mullet (pua) or other small fish for stocking their fishpond, except in Wailoa River.

### Prohibited

- To take or possess any aquatic life in violation of a season, minimum size, or other law, except pua as indicated above.
- Use of nets, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or possess more than 20 fish of mullet, moi, and all species of ulua (including pāpio and 'omilu), provided such bag limit shall not include more than 15 moi or 10 mullet per day.
- To fish with more than two poles with one line each, or two hand-lines, or with more than two hooks or lures per line.
- To use traps.
- To spear any crab, or take or possess any crab with external eggs or with missing or mutilated abdomen or tail, or with a puncture wound.
- To take or possess more than three Samoan crabs per day
- To snag any fish.
- To use or possess a thrownet or spear in Wailoa River.

## PLEASE REPORT MARINE DEBRIS

- If in-water debris is large and a navigation hazard call the US Coast Guard Sector Command Center: 808-842-2600
- If the debris is on reef or shoreline call 833-4-Da-Nets (833-432-6387) or use the DLNR online reporting form at [dlnr.hawaii.gov/dobor/reportmarinedebrishawaii](http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dobor/reportmarinedebrishawaii)



## Waiākea Public Fishing Area

**Location:** The Waiākea Public Fishing Area includes that portion of the Waiākea fish pond in the Wailoa River State Park in Hilo, south of the footbridge over Wailoa River, including the flood control channel and Mahohuli fish pond. A boat launching ramp is located within the park. Rules of the state parks system also apply to the use of the facility.



### Permitted

- To fish with not more than one line and one lure, or two single hooks in tandem no more than two inches apart.
- To use a dip net not exceeding 18 inches in diameter to land crabs lured to baited lines or to catch shrimp for bait purposes.
- To fish for, take or possess an overall total of 20 fishes that include āholehole, ulua (including pāpio) and mullet, provided mullet shall not comprise more than ten fishes.
- With a valid Freshwater Game Fishing License, to fish for, take or possess any introduced freshwater game fishes.

### Prohibited

- To operate boats for purposes other than fishing; to use boats constructed of material other than wood unless provided with flotation to render the boat unsinkable; for any juvenile under 13 years old to operate any boat unless accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older; to propel any boat with a fossil fuel motor; to operate any boat between 7:30 pm and 6:30 am; or to operate a boat at any time without a life preserver for each occupant.
- To permanently moor any boat.
- To swim, water ski or engage in any other activity requiring immersion.
- To snag any fish.
- To enter into or fish in any area posted as fishing reserves or prohibited fishing zones.
- To fish for mullet during the closed season.
- To take or possess more than 3 Samoan crabs per day, or any Samoan crab less than 6 inches in width.
- To possess or use a spear.

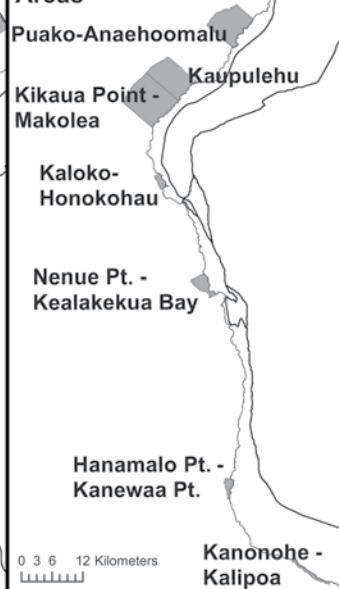
### FISH SAFE

- Protect yourself from the sun.
- Check tide and weather information.
- Wear protective footwear.
- Avoid wet areas on rocks.
- Study surf conditions, and never turn your back on the waves.
- Fish with a friend; let someone know when you plan to return.
- Take along gear that floats when fishing from rocky shorelines.

## Fish Replenishment Areas



## Netting Restricted Areas



## West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area

**Location:** The West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area (FRA) extends along the west coast of the Island of Hawaii from Ka Lae, Ka'ū (South Point) to 'Ūpolu Point, North Kohala, and from the highwater mark on shore seaward to the limit of the State's management authority. It includes the Fish Replenishment Areas, Netting Restricted Areas, and Marine Reserve depicted in the accompanying maps and described fully in the administrative rule (available at DAR offices and web site), as well as all other Marine Life Conservation Districts and Fisheries Management Areas along the West Hawai'i shoreline.

### Permitted

- All types of fishing, except as indicated in prohibited activities below.

### Prohibited within the West Hawaii Regional FMA

- To take or possess any pāku'iku'i
- To take, kill, possess, sell, or offer for sale, any specimen of the following: Hawaiian stingray, broad stingray, pelagic stingray, spotted eagle ray, blacktip reef shark, gray reef shark, whitetip reef shark, tiger shark, whale shark, horned helmet, and Triton's trumpet. See administrative rule (available at DAR offices and web site) for species list.
- To possess more than five yellow tang larger than 4.5 inches total length, or more than five yellow tang smaller than 2 inches total length
- To engage in SCUBA spearfishing, possess both SCUBA gear and a spear at the same time, or possess SCUBA gear and any specimen of speared aquatic life at the same time.
- To possess aquarium collecting gear, or take or possess any specimen of aquatic life for aquarium purposes between sunset and sunrise, without a valid aquarium permit or in violation of its conditions, or while on a vessel that does not conform to registration requirements.

- To possess or use any net or container underwater to capture or hold aquatic life alive for aquarium purposes, which is not labeled with the commercial marine license number(s) of the person(s) owning, possessing, or using the equipment.

#### Prohibited in selected areas

- Fish feeding within any of the Fish Replenishment Areas (FRA), Netting Restricted Areas (NRA), Marine Reserve, or any other West Hawaii Regional managed area.

While within any Fish Replenishment Area, Marine Life Conservation District, or Fisheries Management Area (other than Kiholo Bay FMA):

- To collect aquatic life for aquarium purposes.
- To possess aquarium collecting gear, or take or possess any aquatic life for aquarium purposes, except aboard a vessel in active transit through those areas, provided no collecting gear is in the water during transit. Boats adrift, anchored, or moored are not considered to be in transit.

Lay net fishing within the following Fish Replenishment Areas (FRA) and Netting Restricted Areas (NRA) is prohibited: Puakō-ʻAnaehoʻomalū FRA, Kikaua Point-Mākolēʻa NRA (Kekaha Kai State Park); Nenuē Point (Red Hill FRA)-Kealakekua Bay NRA, Hanamalo Point-Kānewaʻa Point NRA, Kanonohe-Kalīpoa NRA, Kaloko-Honokōhau FRA. Exception: lay net fishing is allowed in Kaloko-Honokōhau FRA using a locally constructed, handmade lay net of natural fibers, which is used in accordance with other lay net restrictions (below).

#### Prohibited in Kaʻūpūlehu Marine Reserve

- To take any aquatic life, except the following may be taken seaward of the 20-fathom depth contour: ʻōpakapaka, kalekale, lehi, gindai, onaga, ehu, hāpuʻupuʻu, uku, taʻape, roi, toau, nabeta, aku, ahi and tombo, aʻu, ono, and mahimahi by hook-and-line; also Kona crab by Kona crab net. See administrative rule for species names.
- To possess any marine life except as indicated above.
- Possess or use any fishing gear other than hook-and-line and/or Kona crab net.
- Deploy any fishing gear shoreward of the 20 fathom depth contour.

#### Lay nets

Possession or use of the following is prohibited:

- A lay net without first obtaining a lay net permit.
- More than one lay net per person.
- Lay nets exceeding 125 feet in length or seven feet in stretched height; with stretched mesh less than 2-3/4 inches (three inches in Kailua Bay FMA); two or more nets joined for combined total length exceeding 250 feet.
- Multi-panel lay nets.
- A lay net without at least four identification tags as specified by DLNR; tags must be attached at each end of float and lead lines and legibly display the permit number of the person possessing or using the net..

#### Lay net fishing

The following is prohibited:

- Use of a lay net not marked by buoys as specified and legibly displaying the permit number of the person using the net.
- Use of a lay net within 1,200 feet of another lay net (except two joined nets).
- Use of a lay net in water more than 80 feet deep.
- Use of a lay net for more than four hours during one set, or to set another lay net within 24 hours.
- To leave a lay net unattended for any amount of time. A lay net is

considered unattended if the net or surface buoys are not within eyesight of the person using the net.

- Retrieval in a manner that causes coral breakage from its attachment or into smaller pieces.
- Failure to inspect entire net within two hours after beginning of set.
- To discard or leave any lay net or portion thereof in the water longer than four hours.
- To falsely identify a lay net.

Persons using a vessel or float may use a total maximum of 250 feet of lay net, provided that at least two people are present and associated with the same vessel or float.

Further details regarding lay net fishing can be obtained from DAR.

#### Aquarium collecting permits and vessel registration

- A West Hawaii aquarium permit is required to engage in aquarium collecting activities.
- Holders of an aquarium permit may only take certain species, and there are daily bag limits for achilles tang and certain sized kole. A copy of the "white list" and other restrictions may be obtained at the Kona DAR office or by downloading the administrative rule.

All aquarium-fishing vessels shall:

- Be registered yearly with DLNR to take marine life for that purpose.
- Permanently display the letters "AQ" on both sides as specified by rule.
- Fly a stiffened flag or pennant with the letter "A" as specified.
- Display a dive flag when divers are in the water.
- In the event an aquarium collecting vessel becomes inoperable, the operator shall immediately notify DOCARE or the United States Coast Guard by VHF radio and/or cellular phone.

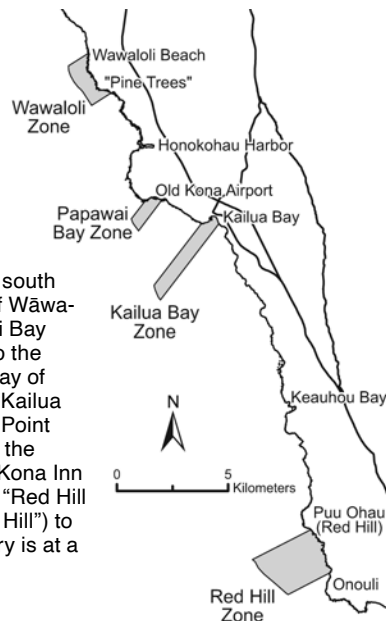
Further details regarding aquarium collecting can be obtained from DAR at time of registration.

Site descriptions and boundaries can be obtained from the administrative rule, available at DAR offices and web site.

## Kona Coast

**Location:** "Kona Coast" refers to the following four Fisheries Management Area Zones on the southwestern portion of Hawaiʻi, each bounded by two lines extending seaward at right angles from shore and marked by signs on shore:

(a) the "Wawālohi Zone", from south of Wawālohi Beach to south of Wāwahiwaʻa Point; (b) the "Papawai Bay Zone", from Keahuolu Point to the northwestern end of the runway of the Old Kona Airport; (c) the "Kailua Bay Zone", from Kukailimoku Point near the Kailua lighthouse, to the former swimming pool at the Kona Inn Shopping Village; and (d) the "Red Hill Zone", from Puʻu Ōhau ("Red Hill") to Onouli. The seaward boundary is at a depth of 100 fathoms (600 ft).



### Permitted

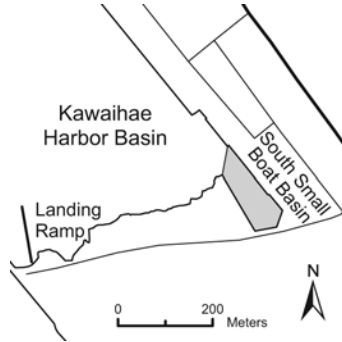
- To catch fish in the Zones with legal fishing gear for personal consumption.

### Prohibited

- To collect any aquarium fish within the Zones.
- To engage in fish feeding within the Zones, except for 'ōpelu fishing.

## Kawaihae Harbor

**Location:** Kawaihae Harbor is located at Kawaihae, South Kohala, on the northwest coast of the island of Hawai'i. Restrictions apply to the south small boat basin as indicated in the map at right.

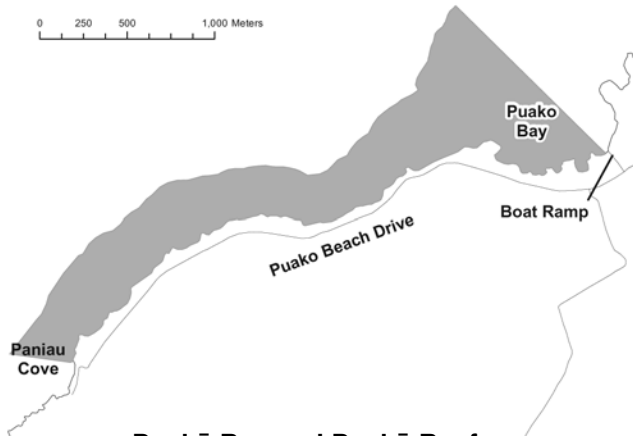
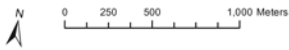


### Permitted

- To take any legal size fish in season with not more than two lines, or two poles or rods and lines.
- To use hand nets not exceeding three feet in any dimension to take shrimp or nehu for bait purposes, or to land fish already hooked.

### Prohibited

- To snag or attempt to snag any fish.
- To use any type of net, except handnets as indicated in permitted activities above.



## Puako Bay and Puako Reef

**Location:** The Puako Bay and Puako Reef Fisheries Management Area includes that portion of the reef from the shoreline at the westernmost edge of the boat ramp, along a line drawn parallel with the ramp seaward to the edge of the fringing reef north of Puako Point, then southwesterly following the fringing reef a minimum seaward distance of 250 yards or to the edge of the fringing reef if one occurs beyond 250 yards, to a line due west of the small cove at the southern end of Puako Beach Road.

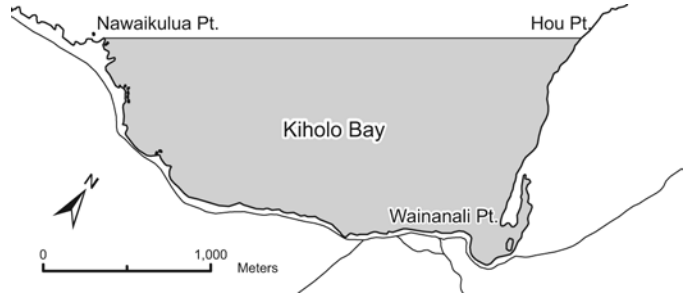
### Permitted

- To possess aboard any boat or watercraft any legal fishing gear and any fish or other aquatic life taken outside of the area.

- With a permit to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

### Prohibited

- To possess or use any type of net except thrownet.
- To engage or attempt to engage in fish feeding.



## Kiholo Bay

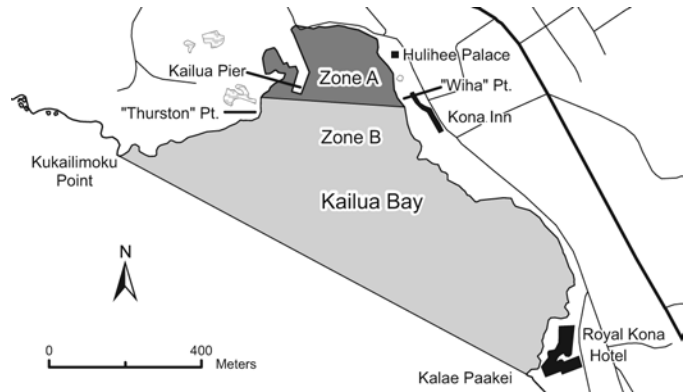
**Location:** The Kiholo Bay Fisheries Management Area includes that part of Kiholo Bay enclosed by a straight line drawn from Nāwaikūlā Point to Hou Point as shown, including the lagoon known as Wainānālī'i Pond, but not Luahinewai Pond.

### Permitted

- Aquarium fish permittees may use small-meshed nets other than thrownets, provided the person is within visual range of the net at all times.

### Prohibited

- To possess gill nets within the Fisheries Management Area.
- To engage or attempt to engage in fish feeding.



## Kailua Bay

**Location:** The Kailua Bay Fisheries Management Area includes that portion of Kailua Bay enclosed by a straight line drawn from Kukailimoku Point to the seawall of the Royal Kona Resort. A line from the northern edge of the channel at "Thurston Point" to the corner ("WTha Point") south of Hulihe'e Palace and north of the former Kona Inn Hotel separates "Zone A" in the northwestern portion of the FMA from the seaward "Zone B", as shown.

### Permitted

- To take any legal size fish in season with not more than two lines, or two rods and lines, and with not more than two hooks each.

- To take crabs with not more than 10 nets, provided the nets are not more than two feet in diameter.
- To take shrimp for bait with a hand net, provided that the net is not more than three feet in any dimension.
- Within Zone B only, to use nets of mesh size not less than 3 inches to take fish, or akule net to take akule only, provided that nets shall not be in the water between sunset and sunrise, or remain in the water except during active retrieval or unloading of fish from that net.
- Within Zone B only, to use spears or thrownets.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take bait-fishes.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may take young mullet (pua) or other small fish for stocking their fishpond.

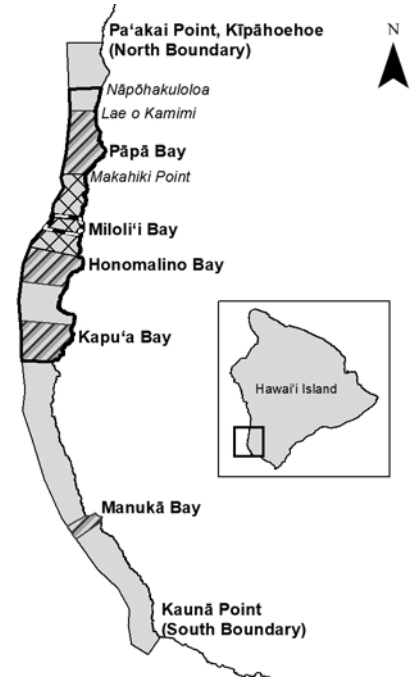
### Prohibited

- To snag or attempt to snag any fish.
- To herd, chase or pa'ipa'i fish out of Zone A by swimming, diving or from a boat, which results in fish being taken by net.
- To possess any spear or thrownet while transiting Zone A.
- To otherwise fish for or take aquatic life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To engage or attempt to engage in fish feeding.

- To herd or chase any fish out of the area by swimming, diving or using a boat.
- To engage or attempt to engage in fish feeding.

### Legend

- Miloli'i CBSFA
- Ōpelu Traditional Management Zone
- ▭ Puakai'a Miloli'i
- ⊠ Pāku'iku'i Rest Area
- ▨ Pu'uhonua Areas



## Miloli'i Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area

**Location:** The Miloli'i Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area (CBSFA) includes the waters and submerged lands from the shoreline to the 100-fathom depth contour on the southwest coast of Hawai'i Island, from Pa'akai Point at Kipāhoehoe in the north to Kaunā Point in the south and contains numerous sub-zones, as shown. GPS coordinates can be found on the DAR website on the administrative rules page in Part II, Chapter 60.10.

### Sub-zones and their shoreline boundaries:

#### Ōpelu Traditional Management Zone:

From Nāpōhakuololoa ("2-Stone") in the north to Kāki'o Point (Kaupō) in the south.

#### Pu'uhonua Pāpā:

From Lae o Kamimi in Pāpā Bay in the north to Makahiki Point in the south.

#### Pāku'iku'i Rest Area:

From Makahiki Point in the north to Kapulau (Honomalino Point) in the south.

#### Puakai'a Miloli'i:

From Kapukawa'aiki (Miloli'i Lighthouse) in the north to Lae Loa in the south.

#### Pu'uhonua Honomalino:

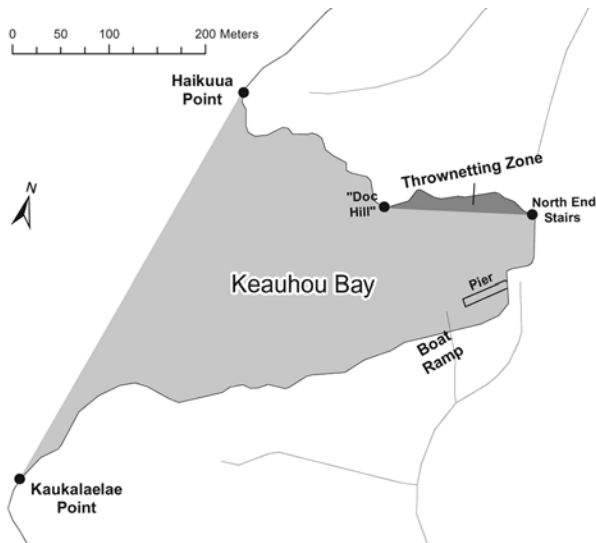
From Kapulau (Honomalino Point) in the north to Pūke'oke'o (Pōhaku Ke'oke'o) in the south.

#### Pu'uhonua Kapu'a:

From Kalapili (Okoe Bay) in the north to Kāki'o Point (Kaupō) in the south.

#### Pu'uhonua Manukā:

From Kamoi Point (north point of Manukā Bay) in the north to the south point of Manukā Bay.



## Keauhou Bay

**Location:** The Keauhou Bay Fisheries Management Area is that portion of the bay bounded by a straight line drawn from Haiku'ua Point to Kaukala'ela'e Point.

### Permitted

- To take any legal size fish in season with not more than two lines at the same time.
- To use hand nets not exceeding three feet in any dimension to take shrimp for bait purposes only, or to land fish already hooked.
- To use thrownets in the zone bounded by a straight line from "Doc Hill" to the north end stairs in the wall fronting the volleyball court, as shown in the map above.

### Prohibited

- To snag or attempt to snag any fish.
- To use or possess nets, except as indicated in permitted activities above.

### Permitted:

To possess prohibited gear and restricted species while onboard a vessel in active transit through the area, provided no prohibited gear is in the water.

To fish outside the four Pu'uhonua except as indicated in prohibited activities below.

Within the four Pu'uhonua:

- To fish from shore using throw net, scoop net, and hook-and-line;
- To fish from a vessel using hook-and-line;
- To fish using a pole spear;
- To fish for akule using legal nets.

### Prohibited:

- Aquarium fishing.
- To take or possess female 'a'ama crab with eggs.
- To take or possess kole during the months of March through June. From July through February the bag limit for kole is 20 per person per day, and minimum size is five inches.
- To take or possess 'opihī kō'ele.
- To take or possess more 'opihī makaiāuli and 'opihī 'ālinalina (with shell) than can fit in a one-gallon size bag per person per day.
- To take or possess pāku'iku'i before July 1, 2027. Beginning July 1, 2027 pāku'iku'i bag limit is five per person per day, and minimum size is five inches.
- To spear uhu at night using any gear type.
- To take or possess uhu 'ele'ele or uhu uliuli.
- To take or possess uhu 'ahu'ula or uhu pālūkaluka during the months of March through May. From June through February the minimum size for these species is 14 inches and maximum size is 20 inches, and the bag limit is one fish per person per day.
- To take or possess more than three other uhu per person per day; only one may be a terminal-phase uhu.
- To take or possess more than two ula per person per day.
- To take or possess any 'ū'ū from April through June.

### Prohibited within selected areas:

#### Ōpelu Traditional Management Zone:

- To take any 'ōpelu except by hook-and-line from February through August.

#### The four Pu'uhonua:

- To harvest any 'opihī;
- To fish using any gear or method other than indicated in "Permitted" activities above.

#### Pāku'iku'i Rest Area:

- To take or possess any pāku'iku'i.

#### Puakai'a Miloli'i:

- To use or possess any spear except pole spear;
- To spear any uhu, pāku'iku'i, weke 'ula, moano kea, or 'ū'ū;
- To use a lay net at night.

### Scientific names of regulated species (see also pp. 16-17)

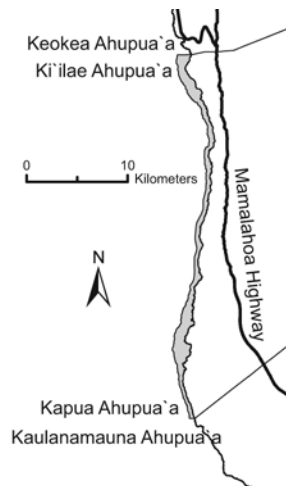
'A'ama crab	<i>Grapsus tenuicrustatus</i>
'Opihī 'ālinalina	<i>Cellana sandwicensis</i>
'Opihī kō'ele	<i>C. talcosa</i>
'Opihī makaiāuli	<i>C. exarata</i>
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## South Kona (Miloli'i)

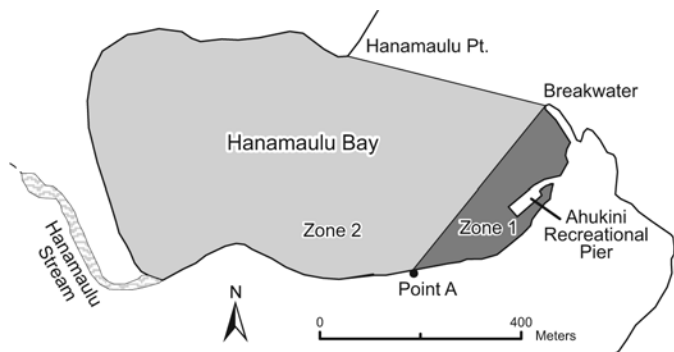
**Location:** The waters off the coast of South Kona between the Ki'ilāe-Kēōkea boundary and the Kapua-Kaulanamauna boundary.

### Prohibited

- To fish for or take 'ōpelu with fish or animal bait, except with hook and line.



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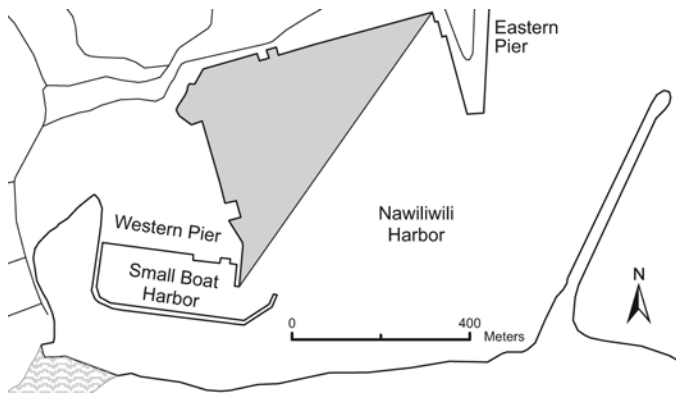


## Hanamā'ulu Bay and Ahukini Recreational Pier

**Location:** The regulated region of the Hanamā'ulu Bay Fisheries Management Area is that portion of the bay, from the highwater mark seaward, bounded by a straight line from the tip of the breakwater westward to point "A," as shown. The Ahukini recreational pier is a public fishing pier, and a facility of the Division of State Parks. Rules of the State Park system also apply to use of the facility.

### Prohibited

- To swim in Zone 1.
- To use any draw, drag, seine, or other type of net except throw-net, crab net, or landing net not more than 3 feet in any dimension, excluding handle in Zone 1.
- To take or possess more than 75 akule or more than 5 mullet per person per day in Zone 1.
- To use any thrownet or spear within 50 yards of the Ahukini recreational pier, or from the adjoining pier frame.
- To snag any fish or possess any thrownet while on the Ahukini recreational pier.

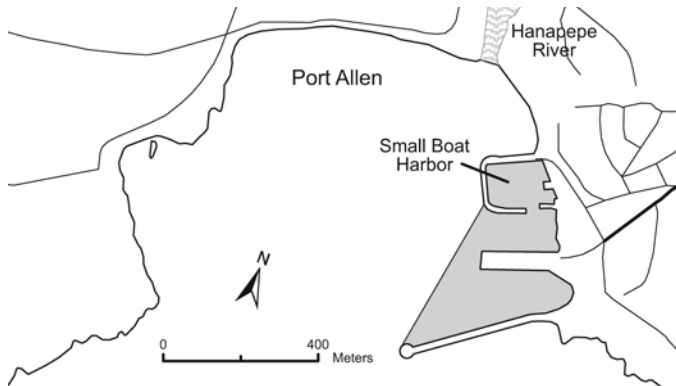


### Nāwiliwili Harbor

**Location:** The regulated region of the Nāwiliwili Harbor Fisheries Management Area is that portion of the harbor, from the highwater mark seaward, bounded by a straight line from the southernmost tip of the western pier northeast to the corner formed where pier 1 meets the eastern pier, as shown.

#### Prohibited

- To use any net, except a landing net not more than 3 feet in any dimension, excluding handle.
- To snag any fish.
- To take or possess more than 75 akule per person per day.



### Port Allen

**Location:** The regulated region of the Port Allen Fisheries Management Area is that portion of the Port Allen waters, from the highwater mark seaward, bounded by a straight line from the tip of the main breakwater northward to the bend in the breakwater of the small boat harbor, as shown.

#### Prohibited

- To use any net, except a landing net not more than 3 feet in any dimension, excluding handle.
- To snag any fish.
- To take or possess more than 75 akule per person per day.

### Kapa'a and Waikā'ea Canals

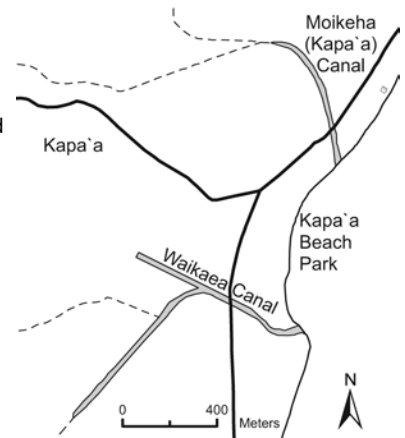
**Location:** Kapa'a and Waikā'ea Canals are located in the city of Kapa'a on the east coast of Kaua'i.

#### Permitted

- To take any legal size fish in season with one line, or one rod and line, with no more than two hooks.
- To take crabs with not more than 10 nets, provided the nets are not more than two feet in diameter.
- To take shrimp for bait with a hand net, provided that the net is not more than three feet in any dimension.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may take bait-fishes.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may take young mullet (pua) or other small fish for stocking their fishpond.

#### Prohibited

- To fish for or take aquatic life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.

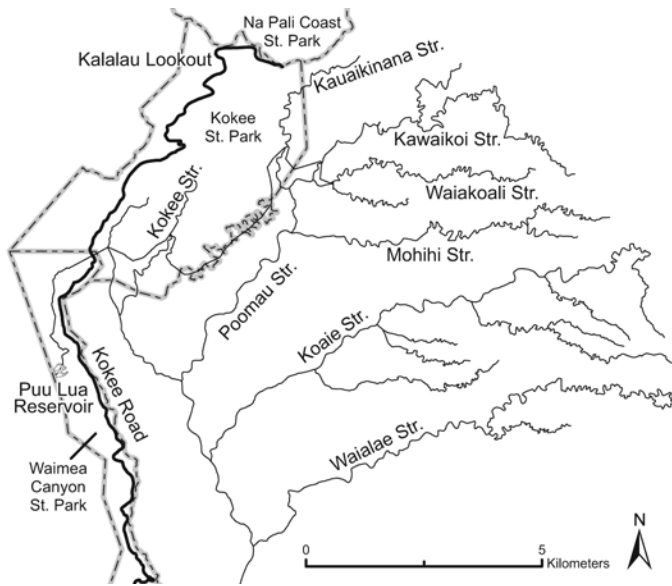


### Waimea Bay and Waimea Recreational Pier

**Location:** Waimea Recreational Pier is a public fishing pier located in Waimea Bay on the southern coast of Kaua'i. The Waimea Recreational Pier is a facility of the Division of State Parks. Rules of the State Park System also apply to the use of the facility.

#### Prohibited

- Within 50 yards of the Waimea Recreational Pier, to use any spear, trap or any type of net except crab net.
- While on Waimea Recreational Pier, to
  - possess more than two fishing poles with one line each, or fish with more than two fishing lines, or leave any unattended fishing line in the water;
  - possess any thrownet;
  - reserve or occupy any space between the marks other than the one space personally occupied for fishing; or
  - fish from any space between the marks already occupied by a fisherman.



### Kōke'e Public Fishing Area

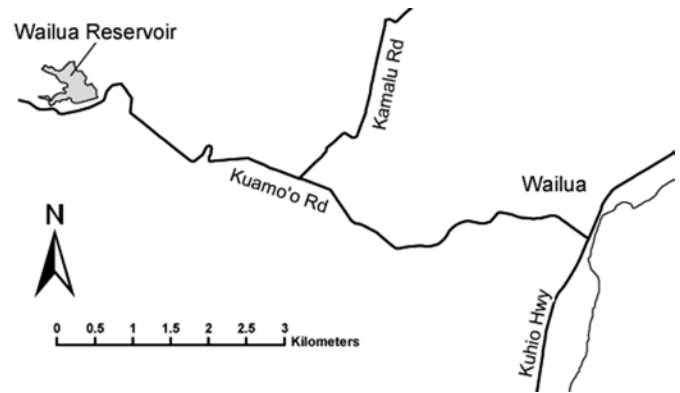
**Location:** The Kōke'e Public Fishing Area includes certain streams, reservoirs and ditches in the Kōke'e State Park on Kaua'i.

#### Permitted

- During an open season as announced by the Department on or about January 1 each year, and with a valid Freshwater Game Fishing License, to fish for, possess, or remove rainbow trout with one pole and line, or one line using one baited hook attached to the single line.
- To fish only during a daily time period as determined by the Department for that open season.
- To use a dip net up to two feet in longest axis, excluding the handle, to land hooked trout.
- To take up to the maximum number of trout per licensee per day during the open season as determined by the Department for that season.
- All anglers must report before and after fishing activities at designated checking stations, and must allow inspection of any bag, container, vehicle, or conveyance used to carry or transport aquatic life.

#### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or possess any rainbow trout except as described in permitted activities above.
- To use any form of corn for bait.
- To use treble hooks or more than one hook.
- To possess spears, chemicals, trotlines, nets (except as indicated in permitted activities above) or other illegal fishing gear.
- To enter into or fish in the prohibited fishing zone along a portion of Kōke'e Stream and its tributaries above Camp Sloggett, or any other area which may be posted as a prohibited fishing zone.
- To damage or mutilate any private or public property, or contaminate or pollute any stream, ditch, spring, water hole or reservoir.
- To operate any vehicle in any fishing area except on roads for vehicular use, or use any aircraft to gain access for fishing purposes.



### Wailua Reservoir Public Fishing Area

**Location:** The Wailua Reservoir Public Fishing Area is located off Kuamo'o Road approximately five miles mauka of Kūhio Hwy, above the city of Wailua on Kaua'i.

#### Permitted

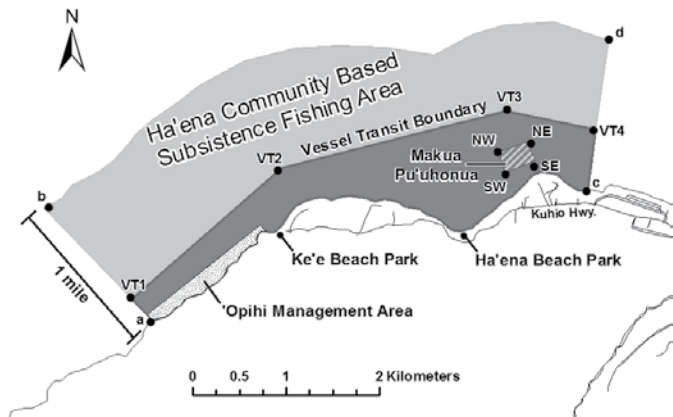
- With a valid Freshwater Game Fishing License, to fish using one pole and line, or one line with one lure or baited hook attached to the single line.
- To use a dip net up to two feet in longest axis, excluding the handle, to land hooked fish.
- To take up to an aggregate total of three fish per licensee per day, provided that fishers must allow inspection of any bag or container, or any vehicle or other conveyance used to carry or transport aquatic life.
- To fish only during the day (no night fishing).

#### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or possess any fish except as described in permitted activities above.
- To possess spears, chemicals, trotlines, or nets, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To snag any fish.
- To possess or use any live animal or plant as bait.
- To enter into or fish from any irrigation infrastructure, including catwalks, valve towers, or ditches.
- To launch or use any vessel or floatable object, motorized, non-motorized, or wind-powered, on the reservoir.
- To swim, bathe, or conduct any activity in the reservoir other than fishing.
- To enter into or fish for any aquatic life at any portion of the reservoir designated as a wildlife or waterbird sanctuary.
- To contaminate or pollute the reservoir, ditch, or stream.

#### Bag and size limits

- Bluegill. Bag limit 2, minimum size 7 inches total length (TL).
- Smallmouth bass. Bag limit 2, minimum size 9 inches TL.
- Largemouth bass. Bag limit 2, minimum size 9 inches TL, maximum size 14 inches TL.
- Tucunare. Bag limit 2, minimum size 12 inches TL, maximum size 15 inches TL.
- **Note:** bag limits are listed for individual species. The aggregate total bag limit of three fish applies.



## Hā'ena Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area

**Location:** The Hā'ena Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area (CBSFA) includes the waters and submerged lands from the shoreline to a distance of one mile off the northwestern coast of Kaua'i, bounded by a straight line extending seaward at the boundary between Hā'ena State Park and Nā Pali State Park, and a straight line extending seaward at the boundary between Hā'ena and Wainiha, as shown.

### Permitted

- Pole spears 8 feet or less.
- Up to two fishing poles per person, with no more than two hooks per line.
- Throw nets.
- Pa'ipa'i net or surround gill net fishing methods, as long as the nets are deployed from shore or from a vessel less than 14 feet long. Two people must be within five feet of the net at all times while it is deployed.
- Scoop nets, but may not be used at night (between 6:00 pm and 6:00 am). Limit of three specimens of marine life may be taken with scoop net per day.
- Taking of limu by hand harvest only.
- Vessels with prohibited gear onboard may transit through the CBSFA as long as they remain outside the Vessel Transit Boundary (see boundaries below).

### Prohibited

- Fish feeding.
- Taking of live shells.
- Taking of live or empty shells while using SCUBA.
- Spear guns.
- Spearing at night (between 6:00 pm and 6:00 am).
- Lay nets.
- Selling or offering for sale any marine life taken from within the area.
- Possession of prohibited fishing gear, except outside the Vessel Transit Boundary.
- Taking, altering, defacing, destroying, possessing, or removing any sand, coral, rock, or other geological feature or specimen.

### Bag limits

- 'Opihi, pipipi, kūpe'e, and pūpū: limit of 20 total combined per day from the 'Opihi Management Area only.
- Lobster: limit of two per day, hand harvest only
- Urchins: limit of five per species per day.

- He'e: limit of two per day; may be taken only by hand harvest or with a stick no more than two feet in length.

### Regulated areas

#### 'Opihi Management Area

Waters and submerged lands from the shoreline to a distance of 300 feet, from the Hā'ena/Nā Pali boundary of the CBSFA to a line extending seaward at the western edge of Ke'e Beach, as shown. Only place where 'opihī, pipipi, kūpe'e, and pūpū may be harvested, beginning December 1, 2017.

#### Makua Pu'uhonua

Waters and submerged lands of Makua lagoon; a four-sided area bounded by straight lines between the points as shown, with the following coordinates.

SW: 22°13'33.88" N, 159°33'42.41" W

NW: 22°13'41.15" N, 159°33'44.67" W

NE: 22°13'44.57" N, 159°33'34.71" W

SE: 22°13'38.26" N, 159°33'31.56" W

No entry without a special activity permit (applies to vessels and individuals).

#### Vessel Transit Boundary

Waters and submerged lands bounded by a line drawn along the CBSFA boundary from the shoreline between Hā'ena State Park and Nā Pali State Park (Point "a") at 22°12'42.50" N, 159°35'44.50" W to a point 1,000 feet offshore at 22°12'49.98" N, 159°35'51.79" W (VT1), eastward to a point 1,300 feet offshore at 22°13'35.57" N, 159°34'59.73" W (VT2), then to a point 2,300 feet offshore at 22°13'55.42" N, 159°33'42.00" W (VT3), then to a point 2,100 feet offshore at 22°13'48.84" N, 159°33'10.76" W (VT4), then along the CBSFA boundary to a point on the shoreline between Hā'ena and Wainiha (c) at 22°13'28.00" N, 159°33'13.50" W, as shown.

Allows vessels with prohibited gear onboard to transit through the CBSFA as long as they remain outside the Vessel Transit Boundary. This boundary does not affect general vessel operation or access to any area.

#### Scientific names of regulated species

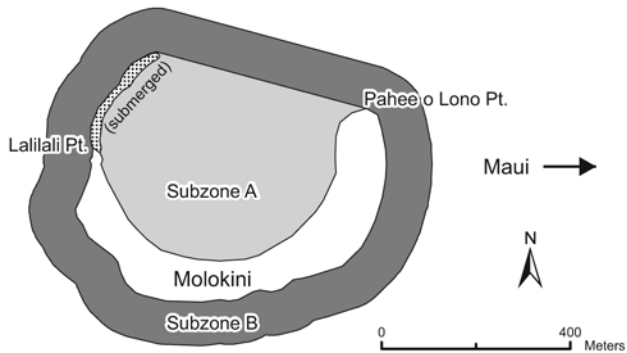
Kūpe'e	<i>Nerita polita</i>
Lobster	family Palinuridae or Scyllaridae
'Opihi	genus <i>Cellana</i>
Pipipi	<i>Theodoxus neglectus</i> , <i>Nerita picea</i> , <i>Neripteron nelglectum</i>
Pūpū	order Gastropoda or Bivalvia
Urchin	class Echinoidea

## USE BARBLESS CIRCLE HOOKS

- It's better for the fish. It's easier to quickly release unwanted catch without causing damage to the fish, which means more and healthier fish for you to catch in the future.
- It's better for you. Minimize injury to yourself and others, as well as damage to shirt, shorts, and nets.
- It's better for Hawai'i's protected species. Barbless hooks reduce potential injury in the event of an accidental hooking or entanglement and allow for quicker release or self-shedding release to reduce trauma and enable a return to normal activities.
- To try out your own barbless hooks for free email [psphawaii@gmail.com](mailto:psphawaii@gmail.com)



# MAUI



## Molokini Shoal Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Molokini Shoal Marine Life Conservation District is located offshore of Molokini Shoal, about three miles from the southwestern coast of Maui. "Subzone A" includes the waters and submerged lands within the crater bounded seaward by a straight line from the end of the submerged ridge extending off Lailiali Point to Pahe'e O Lono Point. "Subzone B" includes the waters and submerged lands 100 yards seaward of Molokini Shoal and Subzone A as shown.

### Permitted

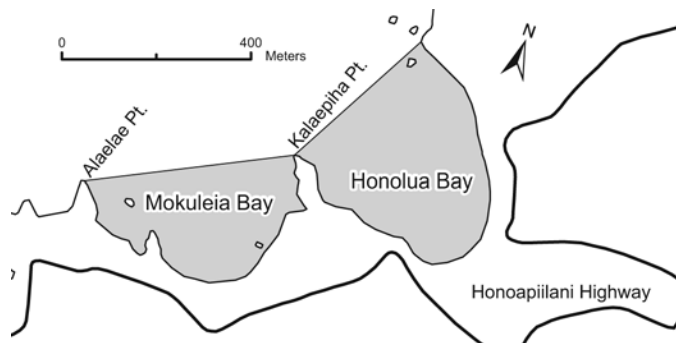
- To take or possess finfish by trolling in Subzone B only.
- With a permit to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.
- To engage in commercial activities, excluding the taking of marine life, with a permit.

### Prohibited

- To take marine life except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen, or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking or altering of a geological feature or specimen.
- To feed or deliberately introduce any food material, substance or attractant directly to or in the vicinity of any aquatic organism by any means or for any purpose except for trolling in Subzone B.
- To engage in commercial activity involving ocean users getting in or on the water, including but not limited to swimming, snorkeling, diving, kayaking, or paddling, except as provided for by a permit.
- To anchor boats when a day use mooring system is established by the Department.

## Honolua-Mokulē'ia Bay Marine Life Conservation District

**Location:** The Honolua-Mokulē'ia Bay Marine Life Conservation District is located along the northwestern coast of Maui, bounded seaward by a line from 'Alaelae Point to Kalaepiha Point, then to the point at the northwestern corner of Honolua Bay as shown.

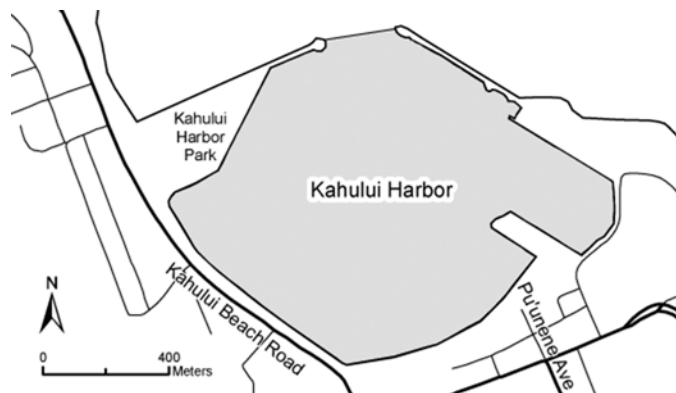


### Permitted

- To possess aboard any boat or watercraft any legal fishing gear and fish or other aquatic life taken outside of the District.
- To possess in the water any knife and any shark billy, bang stick, powerhead or carbon dioxide injector.
- With a permit, to bag and remove akule netted outside of the District provided the net is moved only over the sandy bottom areas of the District, and to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

### Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure any marine life (including eggs), or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking of marine life, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen, or possess in the water any device that may be used for the taking or altering of a geological feature or specimen.



## Kahului Harbor

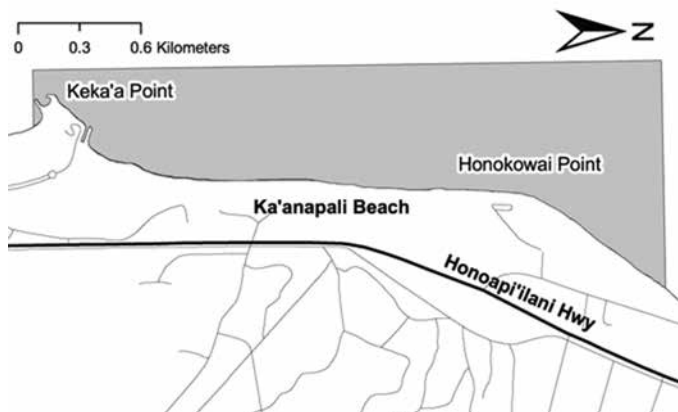
**Location:** Kahului Harbor is the primary port on the northern coast of Maui. The Fisheries Management Area is bounded seaward by a line between the seaward edges of the breakwaters, as shown. Permitted activities shall not be construed as allowing activities within any portion of the harbor which may otherwise be prohibited by laws or rules of the Department of Transportation.

### Permitted

- To use a landing net with stretched mesh of 2 inches or greater to secure hooked or otherwise detained marine life.
- To use a hand net while on shore to take shrimp or other marine life, provided the diameter of the net is not more than 8 inches and the handle is not more than 14 inches long.

### Prohibited

- To use any net, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or possess a total of more than 50 marine life per person per day.
- To snag any marine life.
- To use more than two poles with one line and up to two hooks per pole, each hook having only one point, except that double or treble hooks are allowed with lures.
- To take, attempt to take, or possess any marine life from the area or use any fishing gear in the area that may otherwise be prohibited.



### Kahekili

**Location:** Kahekili Herbivore Fisheries Management Area is located off north Kā'anapali. The northern boundary is a straight line extending 1292 yards west from Honokōwai Beach Park, the southern boundary is a straight line extending 335 yards west from Hanaka'o'o Beach, and the seaward boundary is a straight line connecting the seaward endpoints of the northern and southern boundaries, as shown.

### Permitted

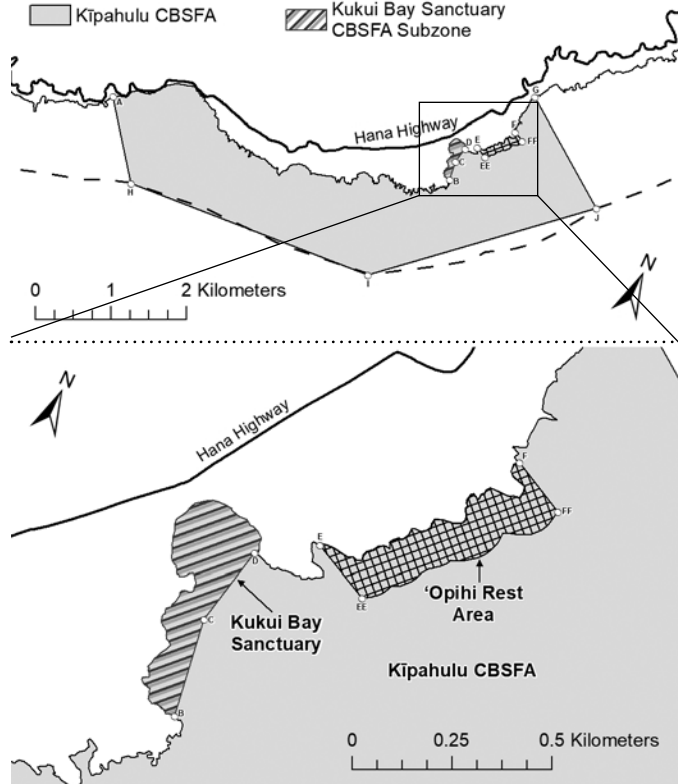
- To fish for, injure, kill, possess, or remove any finfish or invertebrate, except prohibited species indicated below.
- To use bait or other attractants while fishing for permitted marine life.

### Prohibited

- To injure, kill, possess, or remove any rudderfish (nenuē), parrotfish (uhu), or surgeonfish.
- To injure, kill, possess, or remove any sea urchin.
- To feed or deliberately introduce any attractant, directly to or in the vicinity of any marine life, except while fishing for permitted marine life.

### Legend

- - 60m Contour
- Reference Coordinates
- Kīpahulu CBSFA
- ▨ 'Opihi Rest Area CBSFA Subzone
- ▩ Kukui Bay Sanctuary CBSFA Subzone



### Kīpahulu Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area

**Location:** The Kīpahulu Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area (CBSFA) is located on the southeast coast of Maui and includes the waters and submerged lands from Kālepa Gulch in the west to Pua'alu'u Gulch in the east, from the shoreline out to approximately 60 meters depth. It includes two sub-zones, as shown. GPS coordinates can be found on the DAR website on the administrative rules page in Part II, Chapter 60.11.

**Sub-zones** and their boundaries (see map above):

**'Opihi Rest Area:**

From Oheo Gulch to Ka'ū Bay.

**Kukui Bay Sanctuary:**

From Kukui Bay interior to Submarine Point to Puhilele Point.

### Permitted

- With a permit, to take
  - akule while surround net fishing with SCUBA gear;
  - introduced or invasive species of marine life.
- To transit through the area with prohibited gear or restricted species, provided no gear is in the water.

## Prohibited

- To take or possess
  - more than 10 finfish per person per day; akule and introduced or invasive fish not included;
  - any akule for commercial purposes;
  - more than one 'ōmilu per person per day;
  - more than two kala per person per day;
  - any kole less than 5 inches in length;
  - any moi from May-September, or during the open season less than 11 inches or more than 18 inches long;
  - more than 40 'opihi of any species, or with a shell diameter of less than 1-1/4 inches or more than 2 inches,
  - any 'opihi within the 'Opihi Rest Area, or while diving;
  - any ula or ula pāpapa from May-September, or more than a combined total of 2 of both species per person per day;
  - more than 2 spotted reef crabs per person per day;
  - any native limu species with holdfast ("roots") attached.
- To engage in surround net fishing, except for akule or ta'ape.
- To take any marine life with a bag net.
- To possess a throw net with a stretched mesh less than 3 inches.
- To use more than two fishing poles. Each pole may have only one line, each line no more than two hooks, and each hook only one point. Double or treble hooks allowed on lures.
- To take any marine life using SCUBA gear, or possess both SCUBA gear and marine life or fishing gear at the same time.
- To take or possess any marine life or fishing gear while diving from 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.
- To take or possess any marine life within the Kukui Bay Sanctuary.

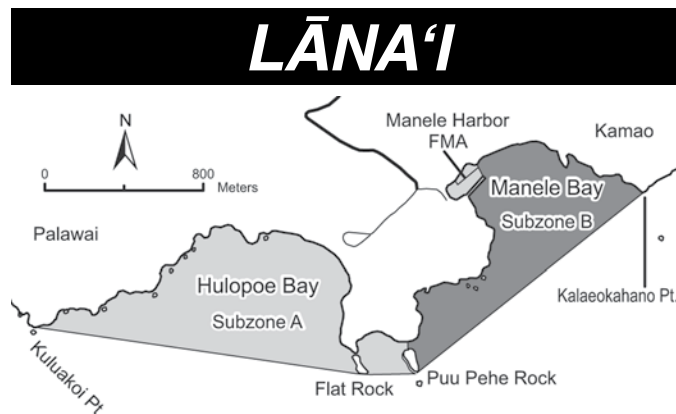
Scientific names of regulated species (see also pp. 16-17)

Kō'ele	<i>Cellana talcosa</i>
Makaiauli	<i>C. exarata</i>
Spotted reef crab	<i>Carpilius maculatus</i>
Pipipi	<i>Theodoxus neglectus</i> , <i>Nerita picea</i>
Ta'ape	<i>Lutjanus kasmira</i>

Scientific names of native limu can be found in the table appended to the administrative rule.

### PLEASE REPORT MARINE ANIMAL SIGHTINGS and INJURIES

- Please report any marine animal that is in distress: injured, entangled, hooked, or looks sick.
- Marine Animal Response Hotline: **1-888-256-9840**
  - Option 1: Monk seal sighting or emergency
  - Option 2: Sea turtle emergency
  - Option 3: Entangled large whale
  - Option 4: Injured, sick or dead whale or dolphin that is not entangled
  - Option 5: False killer whale or blackfish sighting or interaction while fishing
  - Option 6: Harassment of or illegal activity involving a monk seal, sea turtle, dolphin, or whale
  - Option 7: Injured or dead sea birds
- Mahalo for helping our Native Hawaiian Species!



## Mānele-Hulopoʻe Marine Life Conservation District

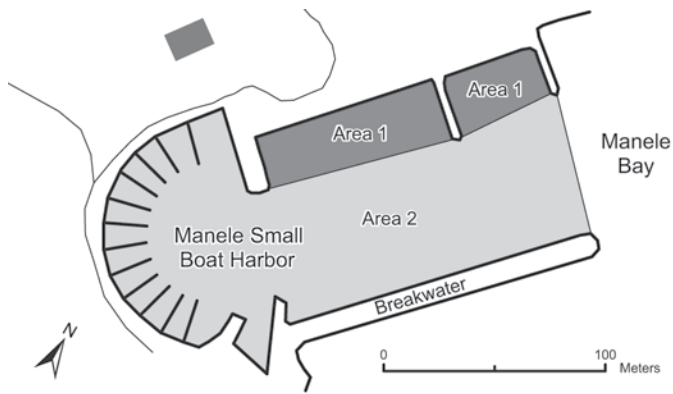
**Location:** The Mānele-Hulopoʻe Marine Life Conservation District is located in the waters offshore of Palawai and Kamao on the southwestern coast of Lānaʻi. Subzone A refers to the area bounded seaward by a line from Kaluakoʻi Point to Flat Rock, then to Puʻu Pehe Rock. Subzone B refers to the area bounded seaward by a line from Puʻu Pehe Rock to Kalaeokahano Point. The Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation has established rules relating to boating, anchoring and mooring within the Mānele-Hulopoʻe Marine Life Conservation District, as indicated.

## Permitted

- To fish for, take or possess any finfish or 'a'ama crab by pole-and-line from the shoreline only.
- To possess the following gear: pole and line, one knife, one hand net with frame no more than 3 feet in diameter (excluding handle), any legal fishing gear while on a vessel transiting to or from Mānele Boat Harbor within the harbor channel or the Harbor, but that fishing gear may not be in the water.
- With a permit to engage in activities otherwise prohibited by law for scientific, propagation or other purposes.

## Prohibited

- To fish for, take or injure any marine life (including eggs), or possess any fishing gear, except as indicated in permitted activities above.
- To take or alter any sand, coral or other geological feature or specimen.
- To operate, anchor or moor any vessel within Subzone A. (Manually-propelled Hawaiian outrigger canoes may be operated, but not anchored or moored, in the Subzone.)
- To operate, anchor or moor a vessel in such a way as to damage marine life or geological features anywhere in the MLCD.



### Mānele Harbor

**Location:** Mānele Harbor is a small boat harbor on the southern coast of Lānaʻi. Area 1 refers to the shoreline portion of the entrance channel and basin, bounded seaward by a line connecting the seaward tip of the three groins along the shoreline. Area 2 refers to the breakwater portion of the entrance channel. Permitted activities should not be construed as allowing activities within any portion of the harbor which may otherwise be prohibited by laws or rules of the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation.

#### Permitted

- To use and possess crab nets, hand nets for shrimp, and landing nets within Areas 1 and 2, provided the net's frame is no more than 3 feet in diameter (excluding handle).
- To possess but not use nets on board vessels within Area 2.
- Commercial fishers with a Bait License may use and possess nets within Areas 1 and 2 to take baitfishes.

#### Prohibited

- To use or possess any type of net within Areas 1 and 2 except as indicated in permitted activities above.

### CATCH AND RELEASE

To help improve the quality of fishing in Hawaiʻi, fishers are encouraged to release fish safely whenever possible. To enhance survival of released fish, please follow these guidelines.

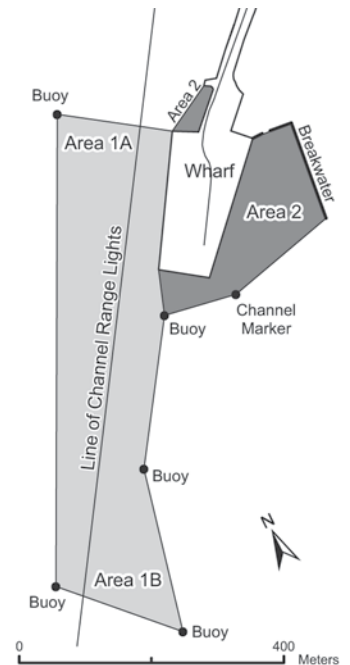
- Quickly play and release fish.
- Keep fish in water as much as possible.
- Gentle handling is essential.
- Remove hook quickly with pliers, or cut line. Barbless hooks are preferred.
- Revive unconscious fish by holding upright in water and moving back and forth, forcing water over gills.
- Don't hold by eye sockets. Blindness or death may result.

Be selective about the fish your take. If you catch an undesirable fish, let it go carefully so it can remain part of the food chain. By fishing wisely, we can maintain an important renewable resource.

# MOLOKAʻI

### Kaunakakai Harbor

**Location:** Kaunakakai Harbor is located on the southern coast of the island of Molokaʻi. As shown in the map at right, portions of the commercial harbor designated "Area 1A" and "Area 1B" are separated by a line extending from the Channel Range Lights, and portions of the small craft harbor are designated "Area 2".



#### Permitted

- Within Area 1A, fishing with thrownet or pole and line; taking baitfish in season, with a bait license; and fishing with nets a) with a permit from the Board of Land and Natural Resources, b) with clearance from the Department of Transportation, and c) except at night when nets may not be set, nor remain in the water unless to complete unloading fish.
- Within Area 1B, fishing with thrownet or pole and line.
- Within Area 2, fishing with pole and line; using hand nets no longer than 3 feet in any dimension to take shrimp or land fish already hooked.

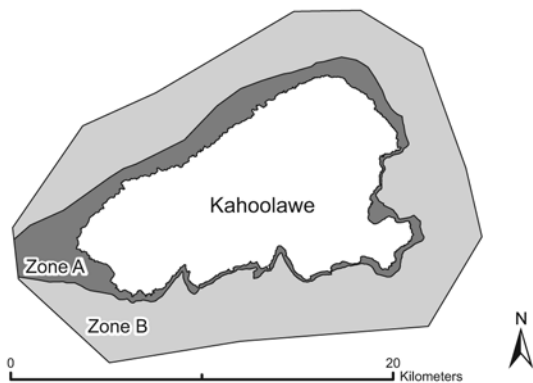
#### Prohibited

- Within Area 1A, using nets except as described above; obstructing passage of vessels.
- Within Area 1B, using any type of net except thrownet.
- Within Area 2, using any type of net, except hand nets as described above.

### PONO FISHING

- Take only what you need from the sea.
- Know and follow fishing regulations.
- Take fish when they're not spawning.
- Use proper gear and techniques; improve your skills.
- Learn from others; share knowledge.
- Spread your fishing areas around.
- Respect rights of other anglers and property owners.
- Dispose of trash properly on shore.
- Don't release live bait into freshwater systems.
- Support local conservation efforts.

## OTHER MANAGEMENT AREAS



### Kaho'olawe Island Reserve

**Location:** Kaho'olawe Island Reserve includes the island of Kaho'olawe and surrounding waters seaward to a distance of two nautical miles.

**DANGER:** The Reserve is a former military range, and unexploded ordnance is present on the island and in surrounding waters.

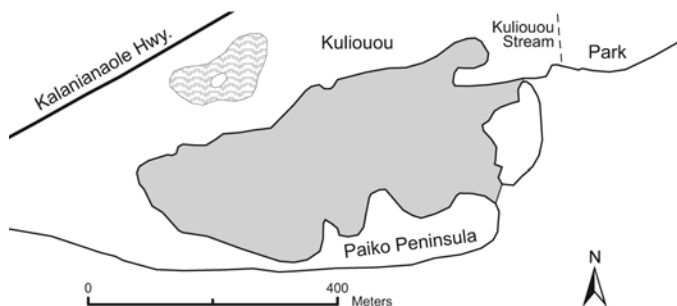
#### Permitted:

- Cultural, spiritual, subsistence, preservation, restoration, educational, and fishing activities specifically authorized by the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission.

#### Prohibited:

- All entrance into and activities within the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, including all manner of boating, fishing, and diving, unless specifically authorized by the Commission.

Contact the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission at 808-586-0761 (Oahu) or 808-243-5889 (Maui) for further information.

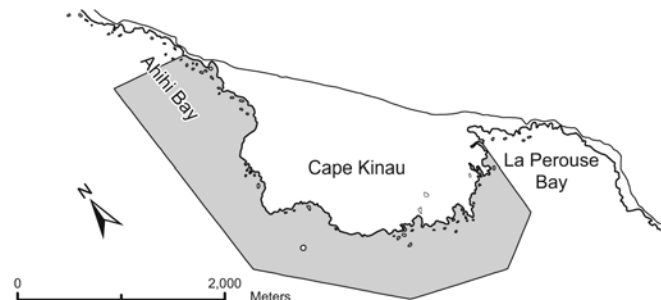


### Paikō Lagoon Wildlife Sanctuary — O'ahu

**Location:** The Paikō Lagoon Wildlife Sanctuary includes all of the State owned land areas adjacent to Paikō Lagoon, and water areas within Paikō Lagoon.

#### Prohibited:

- To remove, disturb, injure, kill or possess any form of plant or wildlife (no fishing).
  - To introduce any form of plant or wildlife.
- See also HAR 13-125 (DOFAW).



### 'Āhihi-Kīna'u Natural Area Reserve — Maui

**Location:** 'Āhihi-Kīna'u shore waters include the waters seaward of Cape Kīna'u a distance of 2000 to 3000 feet as shown above.

#### Prohibited

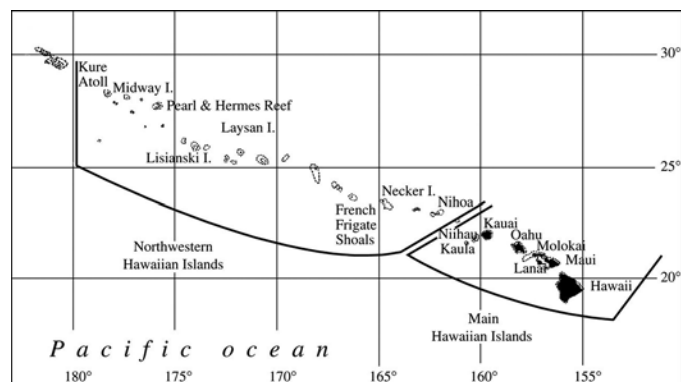
- To remove, injure or kill any form of plant or animal (no fishing).
  - To introduce any form of plant or animal life.
  - To operate, anchor or moor any motorized vessel.
- See also HAR 13-209 (DOFAW) and 13-244-32 (DOBOR).

Fishing and other activities may be restricted in other areas of the State under the jurisdiction of other divisions of the Department of Land and Natural Resources and other governmental agencies. Some of these areas include:

**Department of Land and Natural Resources** — Alaka'i Wilderness Preserve, Kaua'i; Waikīkī restricted areas, O'ahu; Kanahā Pond Wildlife Sanctuary, Maui; Waimanu Estuarine Sanctuary, Hawai'i; Hawai'i State Seabird Sanctuary (various statewide islands and islets); small boat harbor facilities.

**Department of Transportation** — Commercial harbor facilities.

**U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service** — National Wildlife Refuge areas.



### NORTHWESTERN HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

**Location:** The Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Marine Refuge includes the waters extending three miles seaward of any coastline from Nihoa Island to Kure Atoll, excluding Midway Atoll.

- Entry into the refuge is prohibited without a Papahānaumokuākea permit.
- Fishing or taking of marine life within the refuge is prohibited.
- Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices are allowed with a permit.

## GEAR RESTRICTIONS

### Thrownets

- Minimum size 2 inch stretched mesh.
- Possession of thrownets with mesh size less than 2 inches in or near the water where fish may be taken is unlawful.
- Unlawful to sell thrownets with mesh size less than 2 inches.

### Gill, draw, drag or seine, or other nets

- Minimum size for nets generally 2 inch stretched mesh.
- Unlawful to leave any gill net unattended for any amount of time.
- Unlawful to leave any gill net in the water for a period of more than four hours in any 24 hour period.
- Fishers must complete a visual inspection of the entire net within two hours of its deployment and release any threatened, endangered, prohibited, or unwanted species.

### Exceptions

- All persons may use hand nets or scoop nets of smaller mesh to take fish and other marine life for noncommercial purposes only, provided the net, including handle and other attachments, does not exceed three feet in any dimension.
- Licensed pond owners or operators may use nets of smaller mesh to take young mullet (pua) to stock their ponds.
- Commercial Marine licensees with a Bait License may use nets of smaller mesh to take 'iao, Marquesan sardine, gold-spot herring, or any other species for which the Department declares an open season for use as bait.
- All persons may use nets of smaller mesh to take shrimp ('ōpae), 'ōpelu, and makiawa.
- All persons using surround nets with SCUBA may use nets of not less than one and one-half inches to bag and transport fish captured with legal gear to the shore or boat.
- See provisions relating to the taking of akule (halalū) and nehu, and provisions affecting particular areas.

### Akule nets

- Unlawful for any person without a valid commercial marine license to take akule with any net that has less than 2¾" stretched mesh, except landing nets as indicated below.
- Unlawful for any person without a valid commercial marine license to take akule using the bag net fishing method.
- Unlawful for any commercial marine licensee to take akule while using:
  - a) lay net fishing method with net that has less than 2¾" stretched mesh;
  - b) surround net fishing method with net that has less than 2½" stretched mesh;
  - c) bag net fishing method with net that has less than 1½" stretched mesh;
- Unlawful for any commercial marine licensee to keep akule in a bag net in the ocean for more than 3 days without notifying the department, explaining the reasons, and when the bag net will be removed. Immediate removal may be required if necessary to prevent waste of akule or alleviate public safety risk.
- Use of landing nets of any mesh size is permitted, provided the opening of the landing net is less than 4 feet in any dimension, excluding handle.
- Use of throw nets with mesh of two inches or greater is permitted.

### Drift nets

- Possession or use of drift gill nets prohibited in State waters.

### Lay nets

#### Dimensions

- Minimum mesh size 2¾ inch stretched mesh; maximum net length 125 feet, maximum net height 7 feet.

#### Permits and identification

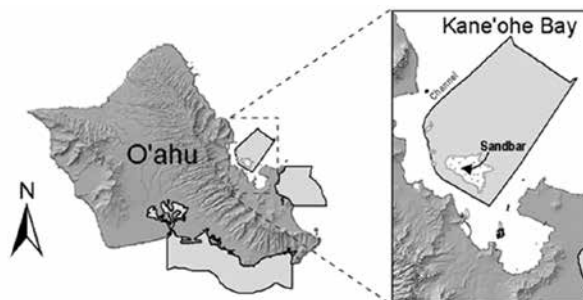
- Unlawful to possess or use a lay net without first obtaining a lay net permit. Fee: Hawai'i residents no charge, non-residents \$25, duplicate \$10.
- Nets must be tagged as specified, attached at each end of the float line and the lead line (at least four attachment points per net). Each tag must legibly display the permit number of the person possessing or using the net.
- Unlawful to falsely identify (tag) any lay net.
- Nets must be marked by surface buoys as specified; buoys shall legibly display the permit number of the person using the net, be marked with reflective tape, and be visible above the surface of the water. Buoys must be attached to each end of the float line (two buoys per net).

#### Fishing

- Lay nets may not be used during the period from ½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise.
- Unlawful to fish with more than one lay net at a time.
- Unlawful to leave a lay net unattended for any amount of time.
- Lay nets must be inspected completely within 2 hours after the beginning of the set. All threatened, endangered, prohibited, or unwanted species must be released.
- Lay nets may not be used for more than 4 hours during any set. The same person may not set another lay net within 24 hours after the end of a set.
- Lay nets may not be used in water more than 25 feet deep, except that commercial marine licensees may use lay nets in water up to 80 feet deep.
- Unlawful to use a lay net within 250 feet of another lay net.
- Multi-panel lay nets are prohibited.
- Unlawful to retrieve a lay net in a manner that causes any stony coral to break from its attachment to the bottom, or into smaller pieces. No stony coral may be brought to the surface in the net.
- Unlawful to discard, abandon, or leave any lay net, or portion thereof, in the water for longer than 4 hours.
- Lay nets may not be used in freshwater streams or stream mouths.

#### Prohibited areas

Unlawful to use lay nets within 3 miles of the shoreline around the entire island of Maui, and in the following waters off O'ahu: south shore from Kawaihoa Pt. to Keahi Pt.; Kailua Bay from Mōkapu Pt. to Wailea Pt.; Kane'ohē Bay between the sampan and ship channels. Detailed maps available at DAR offices.



#### Moloka'i special rules for lay nets

- Maximum net length 750 feet when set end-to-end, maximum net height 7 feet; minimum size 2-3/4 inches stretched mesh.
- Net users must first obtain a lay net permit from the department.

- Net users must attach at least 4 identification tags to each lay net as specified. Each tag must legibly display the permit number(s) of the person(s) using the net. At least one tag must be attached at each end of both the float and lead lines for a total of at least 4 attachment points per net.
- Nets must be marked with at least 2 surface buoys, one at each end; buoys must display the permit number(s) of the person(s) using the net, be marked with reflective tape, and be large enough to be visible to the naked eye from a distance of 1,320 feet.
- Lay nets may not be set for more than 12 hours during any one set. The same person may not set another lay net within 24 hours after ending the set.
- Lay nets may not be set within 1,320 feet of another lay net already set.
- Lay nets must be inspected at least twice along the entire length during the set. All unwanted, prohibited, threatened or endangered species must be released.

#### Traps

- Minimum mesh size: Netting – stretched mesh 2 inches; Rigid material – 2 inches by 1 inch. Entrance cones for traps have no minimum mesh size.
- Traps for shrimp and ‘opae have no minimum mesh size.
- Traps must be portable and not exceed 10 feet in length or 6 feet in height or width.

#### Aquarium purposes

- Any person with facilities for keeping live fish in reasonably good health may apply for an Aquarium Fish Permit to legally use fine mesh traps or nets (other than thrownets) for taking certain aquatic life.
- Noncommercial aquarium fish collectors are limited to a combined total of 5 fish or aquatic life specimens per person per day.

#### Bullpen traps

- Total length of a “bullpen” trap may not exceed 2,000 feet (including the length of the guide(s) and pen), and total soak time may not exceed 16 hours. Bullpen traps must be set more than 1,000 yards from shore, except on Moloka‘i where they may be set beyond 500 yards from shore west of Kaunakakai Wharf, and beyond 200 yards from shore east of Kaunakakai Wharf.

#### Unlawful to discard or otherwise dispose of any fishing net, trap, or gear, or parts thereof, in the waters of the State.

#### Firearms and spears

- Fishing with spears allowed for all fishes, but must follow minimum size for spearing of certain species, closed seasons and other restrictions. Unlawful to spear any crustacean (except introduced freshwater prawn), turtle or aquatic mammal at any time.
- Unlawful to pursue, take or kill any fish, crustacean, mollusk, turtle, or marine mammal with firearms, except tuna and billfish that have been gaffed.

#### Drones (unmanned aerial vehicles)

- Unlawful to possess or use any drone for the purpose of taking aquatic life except with a permit.
- Drones may be used for simple reconnaissance.

#### Explosives, electro-fishing devices, chemicals, poisons and intoxicants

- Unlawful to fish with, attempt with, or to have in possession on or near the shore where fish can be taken.
- Permits may be issued for certain legitimate purposes.

## RECREATIONAL FISHING

#### Nonresident recreational marine fishing

- Unlawful for any nonresident of the State who has attained the age of fifteen, except members of the armed forces of the United States on active duty in the State and their spouses and minor children, to fish for, take, or catch any marine life for noncommercial or recreational purposes without first obtaining a nonresident recreational marine fishing license. License fee \$20 (1-day); \$40 (7-day); \$70 (annual).

#### Freshwater game fishing

- Unlawful to fish for, catch or take any freshwater game fish without first obtaining a Freshwater Game Fishing License. License fee \$5 (residents over 15 years of age, military personnel on active duty in the State and their spouse and dependents over 15 years of age); \$3 (all minors between nine and 15 years of age); no charge (all senior citizens 65 years of age or over); \$25 (non-resident); \$10 (7-day tourist), and \$20 (30-day tourist). Minors below nine years of age may fish without a license when accompanied by a licensee. Duplicate \$1.
- Where bag limits are specified, each licensee may take only one bag per day. The catch of a child below nine years of age will be considered part of the catch of the licensed supervising adult accompanying the child. A child below nine years of age who wishes to take a bag limit on his/her own must purchase a valid freshwater fishing license.
- Unlawful to sell introduced freshwater game fish.

## COMMERCIAL FISHING

- Individuals engaged in taking, selling or offering for sale any marine life for commercial purposes (including charter fishing services) must obtain a Commercial Marine License. License fee resident \$100, non-resident \$250. Duplicate \$10.
- “Commercial purpose” means the taking of marine life for profit or gain, or as a means of livelihood, when the marine life is taken in or outside of the State, and when the marine life is sold, offered for sale, landed, or transported for sale anywhere in the State.
- Every commercial marine licensee shall furnish to the Department of Land and Natural Resources a monthly report with respect to marine life taken and any bait used. The report shall be submitted not later than the tenth day of the month following the month in which the marine life was taken. Failure or refusal to submit a monthly catch report shall be cause for revocation of the commercial marine license.
- **Commercial Marine Vessel License**  
The department will issue a commercial marine vessel license to any qualified individual upon receipt of a valid application and appropriate fee payment. A qualified individual is anyone who:
  - Possesses a valid commercial marine license;
  - Is at least eighteen years old;
  - Provides proof of identify; and
  - Does not have any unmet child support obligations pursuant to section 189-2, HRS.
- Any qualified individual applying for a commercial marine vessel license shall file an application on an approved application form that is available from the department. The application shall be completed in its entirety. Failure to provide a completed application or providing false or misleading information on the application may result in delay or denial of the application
- A commercial marine vessel license is valid from the date of issuance and shall expire on the expiration date of the licensee's

commercial marine license. A commercial marine vessel license is valid only for a specific vessel and is nontransferable. A qualified individual may obtain and possess more than one commercial marine vessel license at a time.

- The fee for the issuance or renewal of a commercial marine vessel license is:
  - \$100 for any vessel less than 22 feet in length that is not used for longline fishing;
  - \$200 for any vessel 22 feet in length or greater that is not used for longline fishing; and
  - \$1,500 for any vessel used for longline fishing, as defined in section 189-2.5, HRS.
- Duplicate \$10.
- If a commercial marine vessel license is issued for a longline vessel, the commercial marine vessel licensee shall file an annual report with the department that contains the following information about all crew members who worked aboard the longline vessel during the license period:
  - Identity;
  - Nationality;
  - Arrival date in Hawai'i
  - Departure date; and
  - Any other information the department may require.The longline annual report shall be submitted to the department within thirty days of the end of the license period.
- If a commercial marine vessel license is issued for a vessel providing charter services for the taking of marine life, the license shall satisfy the commercial marine license requirement for all crew members. The commercial marine vessel license does not exempt charter fishing vessel passengers or customers from the requirement to have a nonresident recreational marine fishing license or any other license required by law. For purposes of this section, a "passenger" is any individual on board a vessel who is not a member of the vessel's crew.
- If a vessel for which a commercial marine vessel license is obtained is lost, destroyed, stolen, sold, transferred, or otherwise no longer in the possession or control of the licensee, the licensee shall immediately notify the department, and the license shall be terminated.
- The commercial marine vessel license shall be kept aboard the vessel at all times while participating in commercial fishing activities and shall be made available for inspection upon demand.
- Persons issued a commercial marine vessel license shall submit reports of the vessel's fishing activity. Such reports shall be submitted to the department monthly, provided that persons taking bottomfish, as defined in chapter 13-94, in the main Hawaiian Islands shall, in addition to their monthly reports for species other than bottomfish, submit trip reports of their bottomfishing activity.

#### **Bait License**

- Commercial fishermen may apply for a license to take baitfish other than nehu for use in fishing operations where fish are caught and landed in the State. No baitfish caught may be sold or transferred except for bait purposes. License fee \$100. Duplicate \$10.
- A license for taking nehu may be issued to persons employed on live-bait tuna boats, only if the person's principal means of livelihood is derived from tuna fishing and the sale of tuna, and the fish are caught and landed in the State; such nehu may not be sold to others.
- Each license shall cover the operation of one fishing vessel, and must be carried aboard the boat at all times. Each licensee must furnish monthly baitfish catch reports to the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

#### **Commercial uhu fishing permit**

- Unlawful to take uhu for commercial purposes without a valid commercial uhu fishing permit. Fee \$100. Annual catch limit (ACL) for commercial uhu fishery is 30,000 pounds; fishing season for uhu will close when ACL is reached.

#### **Commercial kala fishing permit**

- Unlawful to take kala for commercial purposes without a valid commercial kala fishing permit. Fee \$100. Annual catch limit (ACL) for commercial kala fishery is 15,000 pounds; fishing season for kala will close when ACL is reached.

### ***BOTTOM FISHING***

"Deep 7" bottomfish species covered by these rules include: 'ula'ula koa'e or *onaga*, 'ula'ula or *ehu*, *kalekale*, 'ōpakapaka, 'ūkīkī or *gindai*, *hāpu'u*, and *lehi*. (For species names see p. 16.)

#### **Closed season**

Unlawful to fish for, possess, or sell bottomfish species listed above during the announced closed season, except by permit.

#### **Gear restrictions**

Unlawful to take bottomfish with any trap, trawl, bottomfish longline or net. Unlawful to possess, while on board a vessel, both bottomfish and any trap, trawl, bottomfish longline, or net other than scoop net or Kona crab net. Scoop nets may be used to bring on board a vessel any bottomfish that has already been caught. Kona crab nets may be used to take Kona crabs.

#### **Trip reporting**

Commercial fishers must report all "Deep 7" bottomfish catches within five days after the end of a trip.

#### **Minimum size**

*Onaga* and 'ōpakapaka minimum size for sale is one pound.

#### **Non-commercial bag limits**

Unlawful for any person without a current commercial marine license to take or possess more than a combined total of five bottomfish per day.

#### **Bottomfish fishing vessel identification number**

All vessels fishing for or possessing bottomfish must first be registered with the department and must display the bottomfish fishing vessel identification number. This number consists of the HA number, NMFS federal fishing number, Coast Guard documentation number, or DAR-issued number, followed by the letters "BF" as a suffix. Letters must be no less than six inches high and three inches wide in black or contrasting solid color to the background and placed on both sides of either the hull or the superstructure. The bottomfish fishing vessel identification number shall be valid from Sep 1 to Aug 31, and must be renewed annually.

### ***LOGLINE FISHING***

- **Defined:** Longline fishing is conducted with gear consisting of at least one mainline over one nautical mile in length, to which is attached a number of branchlines with baited hooks. The mainline is suspended below the surface by floatlines attached to surface floats.



- Unlawful to engage in longline fishing within state waters, or sell or offer for sale any marine life taken with longline fishing gear within state waters.
- Unlawful to possess, sell or offer for sale any marine life taken by longline fishing gear which is prohibited by or in violation of rules adopted by the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

### **DEALERS**

#### **Kona crab and Lobster Closed Season License**

- During the closed season, a dealer may sell, or a hotel or other public eating establishment may serve spiny lobster, slipper lobster, or Kona crab lawfully caught in the waters of the State during the open season. License fee \$100. Duplicate \$10.

#### **Special marine animal or product possession and sale license**

- Unlawful to possess, sell or offer for sale any aquatic life or product thereof of any size taken outside the waters of the State, when the taking, possession or sale of the same species is restricted if taken within the waters of the State, without first obtaining an appropriate special marine animal or product possession and sale license. License fee \$100. Duplicate \$10.

### **SPECIAL ACTIVITIES**

#### **Scientific, educational or propagation purposes**

- Any person with a bona fide scientific, educational or propagation purpose may apply in writing to obtain a Special Activity Permit to legally take certain aquatic life, use certain gear, and gain entrance into certain areas otherwise prohibited.

#### **SHARK FEEDING**

- Unlawful to conduct any activity related to the feeding of sharks in state waters.
- Persons engaged in taking marine life that results in captured, injured or dead fish being incidentally eaten by sharks are not in violation, provided the purpose of taking marine life is not the feeding of sharks.
- Persons may feed sharks for traditional Hawaiian cultural or religious practices, provided the feeding is not part of a commercial activity.

#### **SHARK FINS**

- Unlawful to possess, sell, offer for sale, trade, or distribute shark fins. Shark fin is defined as the raw or dried fin or tail of a shark.

### **CLEANING AND DISCARDING CATCH**

- In the interest of safety, fishers are strongly encouraged to avoid cleaning their catch and discarding fish parts in areas frequented by swimmers and other water users.

### **RELEASE OF NON-NATIVE AQUATIC LIFE**

- No person shall release any live non-native fish or other live non-native aquatic life into any waters of the State.

### **FISHER HARASSMENT**

- Unlawful to prevent or attempt to prevent the lawful taking of fish by licensed freshwater anglers, including by means of affecting behavior of fish, affecting personal property for fishing, or obstructing access to fishing areas.
- Unlawful to enter or remain on public lands or waters, or private lands or waters without landowner's permission, for this purpose.

### **O'AHU AQUARIUM FISHING**

Unlawful, within three nautical miles of the O'ahu shoreline, while possessing a small mesh net authorized under a commercial or recreational aquarium fish permit:

- to possess a small mesh net more than 30 feet long or six feet high, or to join more than two such nets together for a combined length of more than 60 feet;
- to take or possess any ornate butterflyfish, oval butterflyfish, or reticulated butterflyfish.

Unlawful, within three nautical miles of the O'ahu shoreline, while possessing a small mesh net authorized under a commercial aquarium fish permit:

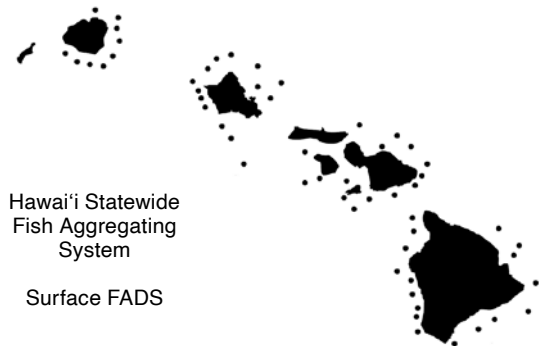
- to possess a small mesh net and take or possess a daily bag limit of more than:
  - a) 100 yellow tang, 75 kole, 50 Potter's angel, 50 naso tang, 25 Moorish idol, or 10 Achilles tang;
  - b) six of any of the following: yellow tang less than 1½ inches in length, yellow tang more than 5 inches in length, kole more than 5 inches in length, cleaner wrasse of any size;
  - c) two bandit (banded) angelfish more than 5½ inches in length.
- to operate a vessel with more than the above daily bag limits for the number of permittees on board, or more than three times the number of any bag limit, regardless of the number of permittees on board.

**Note:** Commercial aquarium collection is prohibited pending compliance with HRS Chapter 343 environmental review.

### **DIVE FLAGS**

- Spearfishers and other divers must mark their position with a dive flag, and may not surface more than 100 feet from the dive flag while diving in ocean waters (50 feet in navigable streams) except in an emergency.
- Dive flags shall be displayed only when diving is in progress, and must be removed from the water when no diving is in progress.
- Dive flags displayed on the surface of the water must be a minimum of 12"x12". If mounted on a vessel greater than 16 feet in length, dive flags must be a minimum of 20"x24" and displayed with a blue and white alpha flag.
- Between sunset and sunrise dive flags must be illuminated so as to be identifiable from 100 feet away. See also HAR 13-245-9 (DOBOR).

## FISH AGGREGATING DEVICES (FADS)



### Prohibited

- Unlawful to attach, moor or tie any boat or watercraft, or any rigging or structure to, or to board, deface, damage, remove or destroy any fish aggregating device.

### Exceptions

- Permits may be issued for certain activities.

### Catch Reporting

- Commercial fishermen must report FAD catches on their monthly catch reports.

Current Fish Aggregating Device locations and status can be found on the DAR website at <http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dar/fishing/artificial-reefs-and-fads/> Links to downloadable maps (locations) and the UH FAD site (status) are at the bottom of the page.

## SAFE FISHING PRACTICES FOR SEA TURTLES

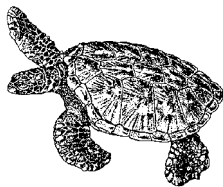
### Prevention

- Do not cast your line where turtles are seen surfacing to breathe.
- Use barbless circle hooks.

### If you hook or entangle a turtle

- Gently bring turtle close to you. Use dip net or firmly hold front flippers and shell to safely lift out of water.
- Cut line close to hook and remove line that has become entangled around turtle. AVOID turtle's mouth and flipper claws; use blunt scissors/knife to cut line.
- Do not lift turtle above water by pulling line - this will result in further injury. If distance to you from boat/pier/cliff is too great or turtle is too large, cut line as short as possible to release turtle.
- Do not remove hook unless turtle is lightly hooked and it can be taken out without further injury. If uncertain, DO NOT remove hook.

Turtles with serious cuts, ingested or deeply embedded hooks need veterinary care. Keep turtle in shade. Call the Marine Animal Response hotline at 1-888-256-9840.



## SAFE FISHING PRACTICES FOR MONK SEALS

### Prevention

- Watch your gear so you can respond quickly if a seal appears.
- Give a seal time to move on before resuming fishing.
- Clean your catch away from seals, and never feed a seal.
- Use barbless circle hooks.



### If you hook or entangle a monk seal

- Immediately call to alert the Marine Animal Response Hotline: 1-888-256-9840.
- Do not attempt to de-hook the seal. Seals are large and will bite. Cut line as close to the animal as possible to minimize the amount of trailing gear.

### Tip for spearfishers

- Keep your catch close, or in a sealed float on the surface. Avoid letting seals associate divers with an easy meal.

### When to call

Call the Marine Animal Response Hotline at 1-888-256-9840 if:

- A seal takes your bait or catch.
- You think a seal might be hooked or entangled.

## Division of Aquatic Resources Offices

### O'ahu

1151 Punchbowl St., Rm. 330  
Honolulu, HI 96813  
587-0100

### Kaua'i

3060 'Eiwa St., Rm. 306  
Līhu'e, HI 96766  
274-3344

### East Hawai'i

75 Aupuni St., Rm. 204  
Hilo, HI 96720  
961-9530

### West Hawai'i

Honokōhau Marina  
74-380B Kealakehe Pkwy.  
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740  
327-6226

### Maui County

130 Mahalani St.  
Wailuku, HI 96793  
243-5294

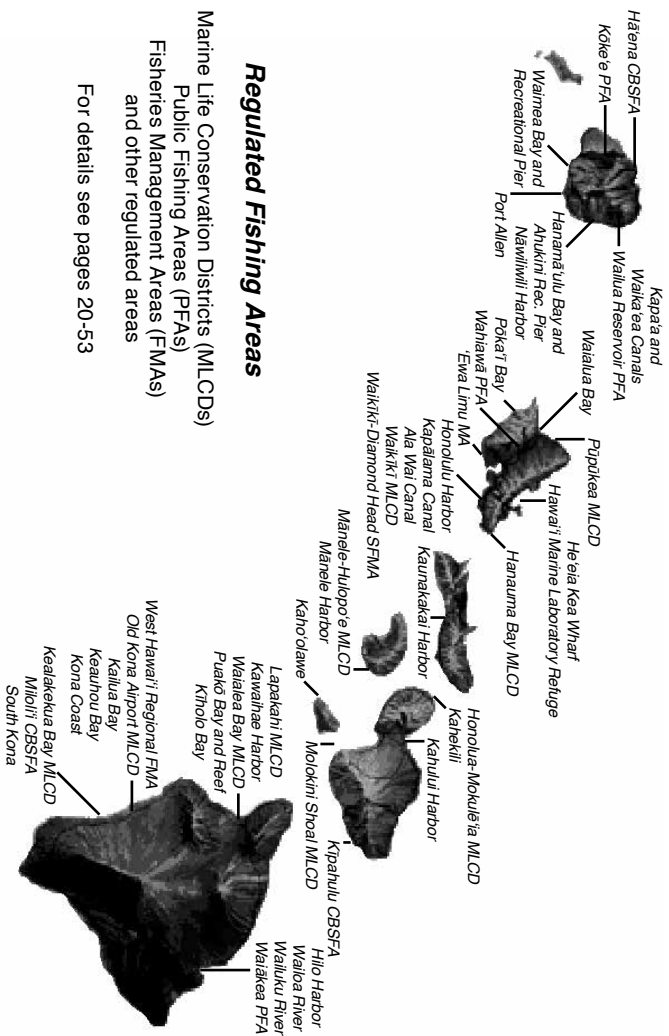
**Please do your best to conserve our aquatic life.**

**To report violations, call 643-DLNR (3567)**

Violations are subject to fines ranging from \$100 to \$10,000, and jail sentences of up to one year.

### Informer's fee

One half of the fine imposed and collected in cases where the defendant has been convicted for a violation shall be paid to the person giving the information leading to the arrest of the person so convicted.



## Regulated Fishing Areas

Marine Life Conservation Districts (MLCDs)  
 Public Fishing Areas (PFAs)  
 Fisheries Management Areas (FMAs)  
 and other regulated areas

For details see pages 20-53



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