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## List of Species - State Rock & Beach / State Estuary Angling Championships West Coast Region

Ref no.	Common Name	Minimum Size mm	Cat	Plate References (Guide Only)
1.	Baldchin Groper	400	1D	491
2.	Barracuda	500	1P	435
3.	Blue Groper	500	1D	439
4.	Bream - Black or Yellowfin	250 350	2	308 309
5.	Cod - Breaksea	300	1D	228
6.	Cod - Other		1D	
	Wirrah or	200	1D	212, 213
	Estuary Cod	400	1D	232, 233, 235
	Cod maximum legal size 1,000mm/30kg except grey banded cod			
7.	Cobia	750	1P	274
8.	Cobbler (includes Catfish)	430	2	89-91
9.	Coral Trout	450	1D	<i>(Northern book – 318)</i>
10.	Dart - all	200	3	287, 288
11.	Emperor - Red	410	1D	<i>(Northern book – 502)</i>
12.	Emperor - Spangled	410	1D	315
13.	Emperor - Blue-lined - Others	320 280	1D 1D	<i>(Northern book – 529)</i> <i>(Northern book – 525, 527, 530-534)</i>
14.	Flathead - all	300	2	194-206
15.	Flounder - all	250	2	615-619
16.	Foxfish - all	200	1D	441, 442
17.	Garfish - all	200	3	119-124
18.	Goatfish - all	200	2	323-327
19.	Herring	200	3	307
20.	Herring - Giant	200	3	63
21.	Harlequin	200	1D	230
22.	Jewfish	500	1D	247
23.	King George Whiting	280	2	270
24.	Leatherjacket - all	250	2	627-652
25.	Mackerel (Spanish, narrow-barred)	900	1P	589
	(Spanish, broad-barred)	750	1P	<i>(Northern book – 955)</i>
26.	Mackerel Shark	500	1P	587
	Spotted, Qld School or	500	2	590, <i>(Northern Book – 957)</i>
	(Other)	200	3	586, 588
27.	Mahi Mahi (Dolphinfish)	500	1P	304
28.	Mullet - all	200	3	431-434
29.	Mulloway	500	2	316
30.	Pigfish	200	1D	440
31.	Pike (Long-finned, Striped Seapike) or Snook	300 300	2 2	263, 437 436
32.	Queen Snapper	410	1D	425
33.	Salmon	300	2	305
34.	Samson or Amberjack	600	1P	300, 301

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35.	Shark - all (Whaler sharks family Carcharhinidae maximum interdorsal fin length of 700mm)	600	2	1, 2, 18-19, 22-33, 35-38
36.	Snapper - Pink (note 7)	500 or 410	1D	310
37.	Snapper - Red or Swallowtail	300	1D	142-145
38.	Sweetlip - all	200	3	322, ( <i>Northern Book 507-513</i> )
39.	Sweep - all (includes Moonlighter)	250	3	351-354
40.	Tailor	300	2	273
41.	Tarwhine (Silver Bream)	250	2	311
42.	Trevally - Giant, - Golden - Other (incl. Skipjack)	250 250 250	1P 1P 2	280 284 278, 279, 281-283, 285-290, 292-293
43.	Tuna - Southern Bluefin - Yellowfin - Bigeye - Bonito - Others	200 200 200 200 200	1P 1P 1P 2 2	600 599 601 592-594 595-598, 602
44.	Wahoo	900	1P	591
45.	Western Rock Blackfish	200	3	343
46.	Whiting - Yellowfin - Others	200 200	2 3	269 264, 266-267
47.	Wrasse - all	200	3	443-490, 492-509
48.	Yellowtail	200	3	294
49.	Yellowtail Grunter	200	3	251
50.	Yellowtail Kingfish	600	1P	298

### GENERAL NOTES

1. The above list has been developed and will be maintained by the Estuary and Beach & Rock subcommittee. Clubs wishing to vary the eligible species should present a case to the subcommittee.
2. Sharks exclude all Wobbegong, Carpet, Port Jackson, Cat, Leopard, White Pointer Grey Nurse and Tiger Sharks.
3. Fisheries Department or AAA listed minimum lengths apply.
4. Plate references are a guide only and are from Sea Fishes of Southern Australia (Barry Hutchins and Roger Swainston). Plate references in ***bold Italics*** are from The Marine Fishes of North Western Australia (Gerald R. Allen and Roger Swainston).
5. All species of fish that are not on the species list are not eligible to be weighed in (This includes all species that were in the "Other" category).
6. Only one set of species points are awarded for each Ref no. category.
7. Pink Snapper size and bag limits vary by location and season.
8. West Coast Fishing Rules, as outlined in the Recreational Fishing Guide (West Coast Region) published by the Department of Fisheries, imposes the following mixed daily bag limit restrictions:
  - a. Category 1D (High Risk Demersal) – maximum 2 fish per angler
  - b. Category 1P (High Risk Pelagic) maximum 2 fish per angler
  - c. Category 2 (Medium Risk) – maximum 12 fish per angler
  - d. Category 3 (Low Risk) – maximum 30 fish per angler
The category for each species is shown in the Eligible Species list.
9. Species bag limits, categories and minimum sizes are those for the West Coast as published by the Department of Fisheries. Rules for the South Coast or Gascoyne are set out in the Recreational Fishing Guides for those Regions, and there are some differences to rules for the West Coast.

## SUMMARY OF RECENT AMENDMENTS

<b>Date</b>	<b>Approved By</b>	<b>Amendment</b>
10/07/2003	B&R, Estuary Sub-Committee	Introduce a separate consolidated list of eligible species for Beach & Rock and Estuary Championships.
15/01/2004	B&R, Estuary Sub-Committee	Incorporated new minimum sizes as introduced by the Department of Fisheries on 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2003. Changes were: Blue Groper – 500mm, Blue-lined Emperor – 320mm, King George Whiting – 280mm, Mulloway – 500mm, Pike – 300mm, Snook – 300mm, Tailor – 300mm, Trevally – 250mm, Wahoo – 900mm and Yellowtail Kingfish – 600mm.
6/5/2005	B&R, Estuary Sub-Committee	Added the Category for each species as listed in Department of Fisheries WA regulations. This detail is essential to comply with the mixed daily bag limit restrictions.
16/12/2009	B&R, Estuary Sub-Committee	Amended Size, Bag limits and Fish Categories as specified in West Coast Recreational Fishing Rules applying from 15 Oct 2009.
11/10/2010	B&R, Estuary Sub-Committee	Removal of Butterfish, Trumpeter and “ <b>Other</b> ” species off the list of eligible species.