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COMMERCIAL - Invertebrates: Sea Urchin - Red

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The second and final round of licence area selection for the next two red sea urchin seasons (August 1, 2026 to July 31, 2028) is complete. 4 area selection forms were submitted to the department prior to the March 20, 2026 deadline. All 4 of the forms submitted selected the south coast licence area. An additional 61 licences were placed in the south coast licence area by default. These were licences that were eligible for the south coast in the last season, and did not submit a new selection form for the 2026 to 2028 area selection process. 45 licences were placed in the north coast licence area by default.

After the second round, a total of 65 licences are currently designated to the south coast licence area. 45 licences are designated to the north coast licence area.

Please note: the coastwide Total Allowable Catch is expected to decrease significantly for the upcoming season due to impacts from sea otter predation on Red Sea Urchins in several portions of the BC coast. As a result, an estimate of what the individual quotas will be for each licence area is not available at this time.

The following is a list of the licence tabs currently designated to the South Coast licence area.

South Coast Licences:

FZC 5
FZC 8
FZC 9
FZC 10*
FZC 11
FZC 18
FZC 19
FZC 21
FZC 25
FZC 26
FZC 27
FZC 28
FZC 29
ZC 1
ZC 2
ZC 4
ZC 6
ZC 11
ZC 12
ZC 13
ZC 15
ZC 17
ZC 18
ZC 19*
ZC 21
ZC 22
ZC 23
ZC 24
ZC 25
ZC 27
ZC 30
ZC 31
ZC 35
ZC 44
ZC 45
ZC 46
ZC 47
ZC 48
ZC 49
ZC 51*
ZC 55
ZC 56
ZC 57
ZC 59
ZC 65
ZC 70
ZC 71
ZC 72
ZC 76
ZC 77
ZC 80
ZC 81

ZC 82
ZC 91
ZC 92
ZC 95
ZC 96
ZC 99
ZC 102*
ZC 105
ZC 106
ZC 109
ZC 111
ZC 112
ZC 114

* changed from North Coast to South Coast.

Any licence not listed above is currently designated to the North Coast licence area for the next two fishing seasons (August 1, 2026 to July 31, 2028).

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