



**Fisheries New Zealand**

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# Catching Finfish

## Upper North Island



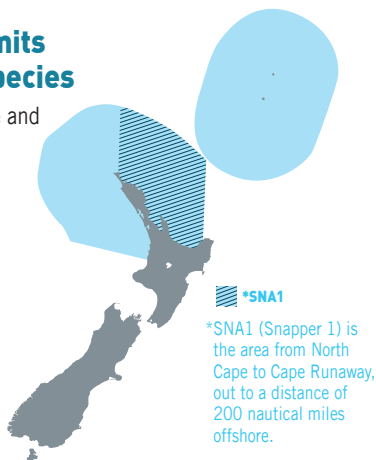
**A summary of daily size and bag limits  
for popular finfish species in the Auckland/  
Kermadec Fisheries Management Area**

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## Daily size and bag limits for popular finfish species

This is a summary of daily size and bag limits for popular finfish species in the following areas:

- Auckland
- Northland
- Waikato
- Coromandel
- Bay of Plenty
- Kermadec Islands.



### How to measure your finfish

Measure from the tip of the nose to the end of the middle ray of “V” in the tail.

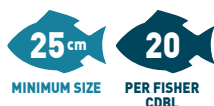


## Popular finfish sizes and limits

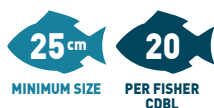
### Combined daily bag limit (CDBL) fish

These fish are part of the combined daily bag limit. This means you cannot exceed a **total** catch of 20 of any combination of the following species that are part of this bag limit.

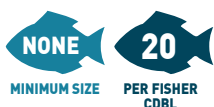
#### Tarakihi



#### Gurnard/Kumu, Kumukumu



#### Kahawai



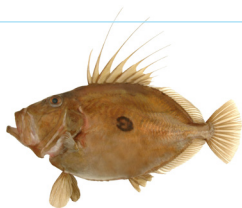
## John Dory/Kuparu



MINIMUM SIZE



PER FISHER  
CDBL



## Trevally/Araara



MINIMUM SIZE



PER FISHER  
CDBL



## Bluenose/Matiri



MINIMUM SIZE



PER FISHER  
CDBL



## In addition you may also take the following

### Snapper/Karati/tāmure



MINIMUM SIZE  
[SNA1]\*



PER FISHER  
[SNA1]\*



MINIMUM SIZE  
OTHER AREAS



PER FISHER  
OTHER AREAS



### Kingfish/Haku



MINIMUM SIZE



### Hāpuku/Whāpuku



MINIMUM SIZE



Daily combined bag limit of 5 with  
no more than 3 Kingfish included

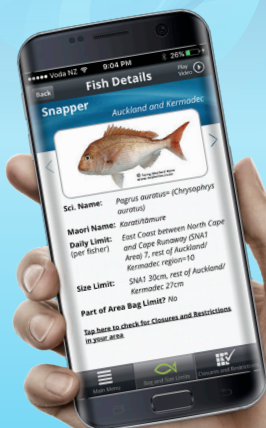


## Fines and penalties

Undersized fish	<b>\$250 fine</b>
1 x over the daily limit	<b>\$250 fine</b>
2 x over the daily limit	<b>\$500 fine</b>
More than 3 x over the daily limit	<b>Prosecution and/or gear forfeiture</b>

## Check the rules using our FREE services:

- **Download** our free NZ Fishing Rules app by texting the word 'app' to 9889 **OR by scanning the QR code.** The app works even when you have no coverage.
- **Free text** the name of the species you are fishing for (e.g. blue cod, snapper) to **9889** and receive legal size and bag limit via return text.
- **Visit** [fisheries.govt.nz/rules](http://fisheries.govt.nz/rules) or pop into your local office.



This is a guide and summary only. It is not the full list of rules and restrictions. The rules may have changed since this brochure was printed, so keep up-to-date and check the rules each time you go.

**Report poaching, suspicious or illegal activity. Call 0800 4 POACHER**