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New statewide finfish size and bag limits from 1 June 2026

Boat-based demersal fishing in the West Coast region remains closed. The existing bag limit of 2 demersal fish still applies for land-based fishing in the West Coast region.

Demersal scalefish daily bag limits outside West Coast region	New
TOTAL mixed species daily bag limit per fisher. This is the combined number of demersal scalefish you can take outside the West Coast region.	4

	Demersal scalefish individual species daily bag limits outside West Coast region	New
	Coral trout, coronation trout, western blue groper	1
	WA dhufish	1
	Red emperor, pink snapper and tuskfish (including baldchin groper)	2
	Grass emperor	4
	Bight redfish, swallowtail, yelloweye redfish (separate from mixed demersal scalefish daily bag limit in South Coast bioregion)	4
	All other species	4

Statewide shark and ray daily bag limit	New
Sharks and rays (separate from mixed large pelagic finfish daily bag limit)	3

	Statewide demersal scalefish species size limit changes	New
	Red emperor	**450 mm**
	Pink snapper	**450 mm** - outside West Coast region
	Spangled emperor & blue morwong	**400 mm**
	Bight redfish	**350 mm**
	Redthroat & bluespotted emperor	**300 mm**
	Grass emperor	**300 mm**
	Blackspotted & goldspotted rockcod	No max size limit
	Blue tuskfish	No size limit
	Swallowtail & yelloweye redfish	No size limit
	Emperor species (excluding spangled, bluespotted, grass & redthroat emperor)	No size limit

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