

Allowable Gear for the Snapper-Grouper Fishery

List of Species in the South Atlantic Snapper/Gouper Management Unit:

Snapper	Groupers	Porgys	Triggerfish	Grunts
Blackfin Snapper	Black Grouper	Yellowfin Grouper	Gray	Black Margate
Black Snapper	Coney	Yellowmouth Grouper	Ocean	Blue Stripe Grunt
Cubera Snapper	Gag Grouper	Porgys	Queen	Cottonwick
Dog Snapper	Goliath Grouper	Grass	Jacks	French Grunt
Gray Snapper	Graysby	Jolthead	Almaco Jack	Margate
Lane Snapper	Misty Grouper	Knobbed	Banded Rudderfish	Porkfish
Mahogany Snapper	Nassau Grouper	Longspine	Bar Jack	Sailors Choice
Mutton Snapper	Red Grouper	Red	Blue Runner	Smallmouth Grunt
Queen Snapper	Red Hind	Saucereye	Crevalle Jack	Spanish Grunt
Red Snapper	Rock Hind	Scup	Greater Amberjack	Tomate
Schoolmaster	Scamp	Sheepshead	Lesser Amberjack	White Grunt
Silk Snapper	Snowy Grouper	Whitebone	Yellow Jack	Spadefishes
Vermilion Snapper	Speckled Hind	Wrasses	Tilefish	Spadefish
Yellowtail Snapper	Tiger Grouper	Hogfish	Blueline Tilefish	
Sea Basses	Warsaw Grouper	Puddingwife	Golden Tilefish	
Bank Sea Bass	Wreckfish		Sand Tilefish	
Black Sea Bass	Yellowedge			
Rock Sea Bass	Grouper			

Commercial and Recreational:

- ❑ Vertical hook-and-line including hand-held hook-and-line and bandit gear.
- ❑ Spearfishing gear without rebreathers.
- ❑ Powerheads, except where expressly prohibited in Special.
- ❑ Management Zones (SMZs). In addition, the use of explosive charges, including powerheads, are prohibited in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) off South Carolina.

Additional Commercial:

- ❑ Bottom longline, only in depths 50 fathoms or more and only north of St. Lucie Inlet, Florida. Vessels with longline gear onboard may only possess snowy grouper, one warsaw grouper, yellowedge grouper, misty grouper, golden tilefish, blueline tilefish and sand tilefish. No other snapper grouper species may be possessed or harvested.
- ❑ Black sea bass pots except in SMZs and only north of Cape Canaveral, Florida Vehicle Assembly Building-28°, 35.1' N. latitude.
- ❑ Sink net fishermen (North Carolina only) can make multi-gear trips and all legal snapper and grouper harvested with black sea bass pots and/or vertical hook-and-line gear may be retained.
- ❑ Experimental gear on limited basis, provided that a process is implemented to collect data on the use of gear concurrently with issuance of the permit.