Proposed Rules for the Mo'omomi North Coast of Moloka'i Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area (CBSFA)

Purpose: To reaffirm and protect Native Hawaiian traditional and customary subsistence fishing, cultural, and religious practices, in accordance with HRS §188-22.6, and to protect the diversity, abundance, and accessibility of the marine resources upon which these practices rely.

Boundaries: From Kalaeoka'īlio ('Īlio Point) in the west to Kaholaiki Bay in the east, from the shoreline out to one nautical mile.

Proposed Regulations:

Species-Specific Regulations

Uhu, parrotfish (Scaridae)

Redlip parrotfish (Scarus rubroviolaceus)



Spectacled parrotfish (Chlorurus perspicillatus)



- No take: uhu 'ele'ele and uhu uliuli
- Bag limit: 2 total uhu
 pālukaluka and uhu ahu'ula
 during open season
- Size limit: 12" minimum fork length (existing state law)
- Closed Season: April 1 June 30 for uhu pālukaluka and uhu ahu'ula

Kūmū, whitesaddle goatfish (Parupeneus porphyreus)



Bag limit: 2 per day

• Size limit: 16" maximum fork length; 10" minimum fork length (existing state law)

• Closed Season: January 1 – March 31

Kole, goldring surgeonfish (Ctenochaetus strigosus)



Bag limit: 20 per day

Size limit: 5" minimum fork length
Closed Season: April 1 – June 30

Moi, Pacific threadfin (Polydactylus sexfilis)



- Bag limit: 15 per day (existing state law)
- Size limit: 18" FL maximum; 11" minimum fork length (existing state law)
- Closed Season: June 1 August 31 (existing state law)
- Allowable gear: Take by hook-and-line, spear, or throw net only

Ula, spiny lobster (Panulirus spp.)



- Bag limit: 2 per day
- Size limit: 3 ¼" carapace length (existing state law)
- Closed season: May 1 August 31 (existing state law)
- Allowable gear: Take by hand harvest, hook, or trap only
- Other: No take of females (existing state law)

'Opihi, limpet (all varieties) (Cellana spp.)



- Size limit: 1 ¼" shell diameter; ½" meat diameter, if meat only (existing state law)
- Other: No take or possession while diving





- Allowable gear: Take by hand harvest only (use of scissors is allowed)
- Other: no taking with holdfast/roots attached

General Regulations

- No night diving from 6pm to 6am (exception: lamalama or "torching" is allowed)
- No SCUBA spearfishing (including rebreathers and/or other underwater breathing devices)
- No commercial fishing, except for akule and ta'ape (recreational/charter fishing operations are not included under commercial fishing)

Regulations for Kawa'aloa Bay Nursery Area Only (see map for boundaries)

- Fishing or gathering in Kawa'aloa Bay is not allowed, except for the following allowed activities:
 - o Gather a'ama crab from the shoreline by hand-harvest only
 - o Gather limu from the shoreline from 6am-6pm by hand-harvest only
 - Throw net from 6am-6pm
 - Hook-and-line from shoreline from 6am-6pm using artificial lures only
- No swimming, surfing, body boarding, snorkeling, diving, operating a vessel, or engaging in any other in-water recreational activity (to minimize disturbance by non-subsistence activities)





