

Oregon's Marine Reserves and Marine Protected Areas FAQ

What is a marine reserve?

An area where you cannot remove or disturb any living marine resource (i.e. fishing, or other extractive activities). It is also protected from any ocean development.

What is a marine protected area?

An area that has some restriction on fishing and other extraction but extraction is not entirely excluded. For example, the Redfish Rocks Marine Protected Area (MPA) allows commercial and recreational salmon trolling and crabbing but does not allow any other fishing. See regulation signs or ODFW for specific rules.

Where are the marine reserves and marine protected areas located?

There are 5 marine reserves named for the major geological feature they are closest to: Cape Falcon, Cascade Head, Otter Rock, Cape Perpetua, and Redfish Rocks. In Oregon, the marine protected areas are all adjacent to one of the marine reserves. See map for specific locations.

Can I walk on the beach in these areas?

Yes, marine reserves and marine protected areas (MR/MPA) are open to all non-extractive recreational activities such as scuba diving, wildlife viewing, surfing, and tidepooling.

Can I still collect agates and shells in these areas?

Yes, you may collect small, non-living souvenirs, but it is better to take only pictures and leave the rest for others to enjoy.

How were the MR/MPA locations chosen?

Local stakeholder community groups worked together with State officials to choose areas that were ecologically significant and would not create significant economic impacts (according to Executive Order 08-07).

Why do we have marine reserves?

- To conserve habitats and biodiversity for future generations
- To provide insurance from uncertainty
- As a tool to research "undisturbed" reference areas for large scale ecosystem changes

How do I report MR/MPA violations?

Call Oregon State Police Dispatch:1(800) 452-7888

How do I find more information?

Call ODFW Newport office: (541) 867-4741 Website: http://OregonOcean.info/MarineReserves

Interpretive Video:

http://oregontidepools.org/etiquette/specialAreas



Cape Falcon

Marine Reserves and Marine Protected Areas (MPA)

From North to South

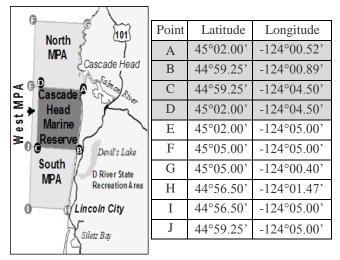
Cascade Head (north of Lincoln City):

Marine Reserve: Closed to take of fish, invertebrates, seaweeds and wildlife.

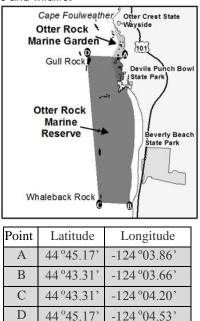
- **North MPA:** Take of salmon by troll and crab is allowed. Recreational take of groundfish using hook and line from a private, non-chartered boat is allowed. All other legal take is prohibited.
- **South MPA:** All legal take is allowed *except*: use of net gear is prohibited.
- West MPA: Take of salmon by troll and crab is allowed. All other take is prohibited.

Shoreline Area: Intertidal harvest is severely restricted

between the north boundary of the North MPA and Roads End State Park

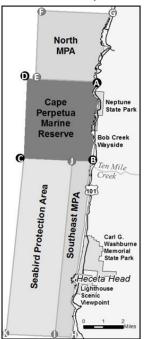


Otter Rock Marine Reserve (north of Newport): Marine Reserve: Closed to take of fish, invertebrates, seaweeds and wildlife.



Cape Perpetua (at Yachats):

- Marine Reserve: Closed to take of fish, invertebrates, seaweeds and wildlife.
- **North MPA:** Take of salmon by troll and crab is allowed. Recreational take using hook and line from shore is allowed. All other take is prohibited.
- **Southeast MPA:** All legal take is allowed *except:* use of trawl fishing gear and take of herring, sardine, anchovies, smelt, sand lance, and market squid is prohibited.
- Seabird Protection Area: All legal take is allowed *except* take of herring, sardine, anchovies, smelt, and sand lance is prohibited.
- **Shoreline Area:** Intertidal harvest is severely restricted from between the north boundary of the North MPA (point G) to Bob Creek Wayside.

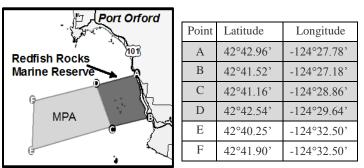


Point	Latitude	Longitude
А	44°17.00'	-124°06.73'
В	44°13.50'	-124°06.74'
С	44°13.50'	-124°11.00'
D	44°17.00'	-124°11.00'
Е	44°17.00'	-124°10.50'
F	44°20.00'	-124°10.50'
G	44°20.00'	-124°06.04'
Η	44°05.75'	-124°07.53'
Ι	44°05.75'	-124°08.60'
J	44°13.50'	-124°08.00'
K	44°05.75'	-124°11.62'

Redfish Rocks (south of Port Orford):

Marine Reserve: Closed to take of fish, invertebrates, seaweeds and wildlife.

MPA: Take of salmon by troll and crab is allowed. All other take is prohibited.



Cape Falcon not effective until 2016

This summary does not replace the official rules: OAR 635-012 (ODFW), OAR 141-142 (DSL), and OAR 736-029 (OPRD)