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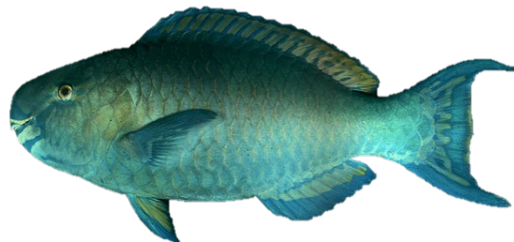
Commercial Uhu Fishing Permit
Specific Terms and Conditions

“Permittee” refers to any person issued a commercial uhu fishing permit. The commercial uhu fishing permit allows the permittee, when participating in a commercial uhu fishing trip, to take and/or possess a combined total of uhu pālupaluka (initial-phase *Scarus rubroviolaceus*) and/or uhu ‘ele‘ele (terminal-phase *S. rubroviolaceus*) that exceeds the daily bag limit of two uhu per person per day. I understand that:

1. The validity of my commercial uhu fishing permit is contingent upon the validity of my commercial marine license. If, for any reason, my commercial marine license is suspended or revoked or if my commercial marine license is expired, my commercial uhu fishing permit will no longer be valid and I will be subject to the statewide bag limit of two uhu per person per day.
2. In addition to the terms and conditions of the commercial uhu fishing permit, I must also comply with all the terms and conditions of my [commercial marine license](#).
3. The fee for the issuance or renewal of my commercial uhu fishing permit is \$100.00, in addition to the fee for my commercial marine license and the fee for any other license or permit required by law, and my commercial uhu fishing permit will not be issued or renewed until the fee payment is received.
4. My commercial uhu fishing permit will be valid from the date of issuance and will expire on the same day as my commercial marine license. It is my responsibility to ensure that I renew both my commercial marine license and my commercial uhu fishing permit.
5. My commercial uhu fishing permit only applies when I am participating in a commercial uhu fishing trip as defined in section 13-95-1, HAR (see below).
6. Only *Scarus rubroviolaceus* (uhu pālupaluka and uhu ‘ele‘ele) may be taken or possessed on a commercial uhu fishing trip. No other species of uhu may be taken, possessed, or sold.



Uhu pālupaluka
Scarus rubroviolaceus
Redlip parrotfish (initial-phase)



Uhu ‘ele‘ele
Scarus rubroviolaceus
Redlip parrotfish (terminal-phase)

7. The annual catch limit (ACL) for the commercial uhu fishery is 30,000 pounds and commercial uhu catch will begin to be tallied on June 1 of each year. When the ACL is reached the commercial uhu fishing season will be closed and commercial harvest or sale of uhu will be prohibited.
8. If the ACL is reached, the department will notify commercial uhu fishing permittees and registered commercial uhu dealers that the commercial uhu fishing season is closed. Notice will be made in writing by mail or email to the address on file with the department no less than three days prior to the closure of the season.

9. The department may establish additional restrictions on the commercial take or possession of uhu pursuant to adaptive management authority under section 187A-5(b), HRS.

Definitions

For purposes of these Specific Terms and Conditions for commercial uhu fishing permits and pursuant to section 13-95-1, HAR:

“Annual catch limit” or “ACL” is the maximum commercial harvest in a given fishing year established for any marine fishery subject to closure. The catch is measured in whole wet weight through cumulative reported landings by commercial marine licensees and cumulative reported purchases by commercial marine dealers.

“Commercial marine licensee” means a person who has been issued a commercial marine license pursuant to section 13-74-20, HAR, and section 189-2, HRS.

“Commercial purpose” means the taking of marine life for profit or gain or as a means of livelihood where the marine life is taken in or outside of the State, or where the marine life is sold, offered for sale, landed, or transported for sale anywhere in the State.

“Commercial uhu fishing trip” means a fishing trip where any uhu are taken for a commercial purpose, as evidenced by the possession of more than two uhu per person. For a trip to be considered a commercial uhu fishing trip, each participant must have both a valid commercial marine license and a valid commercial uhu fishing permit. For vessel-based fishing trips, each person on board the vessel is deemed a participant.

“Initial-phase uhu” means any uhu characterized by a dull red, brown, or gray body coloration and the absence of bright green or blue markings.

“Peddle” means to sell aquatic life to anyone other than to a commercial marine dealer.

“Sell” means to solicit and receive an order for; to have, or keep, or offer, or expose for sale; to deliver for value or in any other way than purely gratuitously; to peddle; to keep with intent to sell; and to traffic in.

“Take” means to fish for, catch, capture, confine, or harvest, or to attempt to fish for, catch, capture, confine, or harvest, aquatic life. The use of any gear, equipment, tool, or any means to fish for, catch, capture, confine, or harvest, or to attempt to fish for, catch, capture, confine, or harvest, aquatic life by any person who is in the water, or in a vessel on the water, or on or about the shore where aquatic life can be fished for, caught, captured, confined, or harvested, shall be construed as taking.

“Terminal-phase uhu” means any uhu characterized by the presence of bright green or blue markings or a predominantly green or blue body coloration, often with bright pink, orange, or yellow patches.

“Uhu” means any fish belonging to the family Scaridae or any recognized synonyms. Uhu is a general term for parrotfish.

“Uhu ‘ele‘ele” means any fish known as *Scarus rubroviolaceus* or any recognized synonym that has reached its terminal phase, indicated by a change in coloration from a predominantly brownish-red or yellowish-gray body with reddish fins, to a predominantly green or blue-green body color with a green beak. Both uhu ‘ele‘ele and uhu pālukaluka are known as redlip or ember parrotfish or whiptail uhu.

“Uhu pālukaluka” means any fish known as *Scarus rubroviolaceus* or any recognized synonym that has not reached its terminal phase. Uhu pālukaluka have a predominantly brownish-red or yellowish-gray body with reddish fins. The terminal phase of these fish are known as uhu ‘ele‘ele. Both uhu pālukaluka and uhu ‘ele‘ele are known as redlip or ember parrotfish or whiptail uhu.