

BE AWARE:



NEW REGULATIONS TO PROTECT WHITE SHARKS ARE IN EFFECT

To protect one of the most important white shark populations in the world, NOAA/Office of National Marine Sanctuaries has enacted new regulations to ensure sharks are not disturbed (15 CFR Part 922)

FEDERAL LAW PROHIBITS:

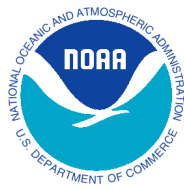
1. Attracting a white shark anywhere in Gulf of the Farallones or Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuaries.

Attract or attracting means the conduct of any activity that lures or may lure a white shark in the Sanctuary by using food, bait, chum, dyes, decoys (e.g., surfboards or body boards used as decoys), acoustics or any other means, except the mere presence of human beings (e.g., swimmers, divers, boaters, kayakers, surfers).

2. Approaching within 50 meters (164 ft.) of any white shark within 2 nautical miles of any of the Farallon Islands.

DID YOU KNOW...?

White sharks play an important role by keeping fast-growing seal and sea lion populations in balance. White sharks are already protected in California waters from hunting or fishing. The new federal regulations will help ensure they are not disturbed by unauthorized activities.



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