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BEST CHOICE

Bass (farmed from US or Mexico) Catfish (farmed from US)

Clams (farmed)

Cod: Pacific (from AK)

Crab: blue (from MD trotline) Crab: king (from AK)

Crawfish (farmed from US)

Lionfish

Mullet: striped (from US) Mussels (farmed)

Oysters (farmed)

Sablefish/black cod (from AK pots)

Shrimp (farmed from US)

Snapper: mutton (from US dive or handline)

Squid (from CA)

Sturgeon (farmed from US)

Swordfish (from US buoy gear, harpoon, or pole-&-line)

Tilefish: blue (from Atlantic)

Trout: rainbow (farmed from US)

Tuna: albacore (troll or pole-&-line)

Tuna: skipjack (Pacific troll or pole-&-line) Wahoo (from US Atlantic pole-&-line)

Wreckfish

GOOD **ALTERNATIVE**

Clams (wild from US or Canada)

Cod: Atlantic

Conch (from US)

Crab: blue (from AL, DE, MD, or NJ pot)

Crawfish (wild from LA)

Grouper: red (from US)

Lobster: spiny (from US or Mexico) Mackerel (from Ecuador, Japan, or Morocco)

Mahi-mahi (from US)

Oysters (wild from US) Pompano (from US)

Sablefish/black cod (all other gear types) Salmon: Atlantic (farmed from ME or

Faroe Islands)

Shrimp (wild from US or Canada; farmed from Ecuador, Honduras, or Thailand)

Snapper (from US)

Swordfish (imported harpoon, pole-&-line; from US gillnet or longline)

Tilapia (from Colombia, Honduras, Indonesia,

Mexico, or Taiwan)

Tilefish: blue (from Gulf of Mexico) Tuna: canned (check label for pole-&-line,

troll-caught, FAD-free, or free school) Tuna: yellowfin/ahi (from US; from Atlantic

or Pacific free school)

AVOID

Branzino/seabass (farmed from

Mediterranean)

Chilean seabass (from Chile) Cod: Atlantic (from US or Canada)

Conch (imported)

Crab (from Asia)

Crab: blue (other US options)

Crab: snow (from Canada)

Crab: stone (from FL) Crawfish (from China)

Lobster: American (from US or Canada)

Mahi-mahi (imported)

Octopus

Orange roughy

Salmon (farmed from Canada, Chile,

Norway, or Scotland)

Sharks

Shrimp (all other imported options)

Squid (imported)

Swordfish (imported gillnet or longline) Tilapia (from China)

Trout: rainbow (from Chile) Tuna: bluefin

Tuna (from Indian Ocean)

Tuna (all other options)

How to use this guide

BEST CHOICE

Buy first. It is well managed and caught or farmed in an environmentally responsible manner.

GOOD ALTERNATIVE

Buy if a Best Choice option is not available. There are moderate environmental concerns.

AVOID

Pass on this seafood for now. It's caught or farmed in ways that harm marine life or the environment.

This list does not reflect all recommendations, exceptions may apply. View the full list on SeafoodWatch.org.





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