



# RULE-MAKING ORDER

**CR-103E (July 2011)**  
**(Implements RCW 34.05.350)**

**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Emergency Rule Only**

**Effective date of rule:**

**Emergency Rules 15-353**

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) 9:00 p.m. September 30, 2015

**Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?**

- Yes
  - No
- If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** Amend commercial fishing rules for Puget Sound shrimp

**Citation of existing rules affected by this order:**

Repealed: WAC 220-52-05100K, WAC 220-52-05100L  
 Amended: WAC 220-52-051  
 Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020 and 77.12.047

**Other authority :**

**EMERGENCY RULE**

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.
- That in order to implement the requirements or reductions in appropriations enacted in any budget for fiscal year 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, or 2013, which necessitates the need for the immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the fiscal needs or requirements of the agency.

**Reasons for this finding:** The 2015 State/Tribal Shrimp Harvest Management Plans for the Strait of Juan de Fuca and Puget Sound require adoption of harvest seasons contained in this emergency rule. This emergency rule (1) closes the trawl fishery in Shrimp Management Area 3 as per the Management Plan; and (2) closes the remaining pot and trawl fisheries in all areas for the 2015 season on October 16. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

**Date adopted:** September 23, 2015

**NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)**

J W Unsworth

**SIGNATURE**

**TITLE**

Director

**CODE REVISER USE ONLY**

OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER  
STATE OF WASHINGTON  
FILED

**DATE: September 23, 2015**

**TIME: 3:02 PM**

**WSR 15-20-004**

(COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE)

**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.  
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.  
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

**The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:**

<b>Federal statute:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Federal rules or standards:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Recently enacted state statutes:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

**The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:**

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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**The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:**

New	<u>1</u>	Amended	_____	Repealed	<u>2</u>
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**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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**The number of sections adopted using:**

<b>Negotiated rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Pilot rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Other alternative rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

## NEW SECTION

**WAC 220-52-05100L Puget Sound shrimp pot and beam trawl fishery—season.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-52-051, effective immediately until further notice, it is unlawful to fish for shrimp for commercial purposes in Puget Sound except as provided for in this section:

- (1) Shrimp pot gear:
  - (a) All waters of Shrimp Management Areas 2W, 3 and 6 are open to the harvest of all shrimp species, except:
    - (i) All waters of the Discovery Bay Shrimp District are closed.
    - (ii) All waters of Shrimp Management Areas 2W, 3 and 6 are closed to the harvest of spot shrimp.
  - (b) It is unlawful to pull shellfish pots in more than one catch area per day.
- (2) Shrimp beam trawl gear: All waters of Catch Area 20A are open.
- (3) All shrimp taken under this section must be sold to licensed Washington wholesale fish dealers.

## REPEALERS

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective 9:00 p.m. September 30, 2015:

WAC 220-52-05100K Puget Sound Shrimp pot and beam trawl fishery-season. (15-322)

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective October 16, 2015:

WAC 220-52-05100L Puget Sound Shrimp pot and beam trawl fishery-season.

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