



## PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

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[read by: Aaron Dufault]

**FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> – SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> ALL AREAS ARE CLOSED EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:**

**Area 6D (Dungeness Bay):**

Open to skiff gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh size from 7 AM to 7 PM daily, Tuesday September 25<sup>th</sup> through Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.

All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**Areas 7 and 7A (San Juan Islands and Point Roberts):**

Open to reef nets from 5 AM to 9 PM daily through Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup>. Release all chum, sockeye, wild coho, and wild Chinook.

**Area 7B (Bellingham Bay) will be open to:**

**Gillnets** using 5-inch minimum mesh size:

7 AM Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup> to 12 midnight Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Hales Pass is closed to gillnets.** Refer to the Puget Sound commercial salmon regulations for the 7B seasonal closure boundary.

**Purse seines** with a 5 inch strip:

7 AM to 7 PM daily Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup> to Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Area 8A (Port Susan and Port Gardner):**

Open to the purse seine vessel Wisconsin and Mystic lady only, Monday September 24<sup>th</sup> from 7AM to 7PM. Waters south of a line from the Mukilteo Ferry Dock to the Clinton Ferry Dock are closed.

**Area 8D (Tulalip Bay) will be open west of a line from Mission Point to Hermosa Point to:**

**Gillnets** using 5 inch minimum mesh size:

6 PM Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> to 8 AM Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

6 PM Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup> to 8 AM Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

6 PM Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> to 8 AM Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>

**Purse seines** with a 5 inch strip:

Monday September 24<sup>th</sup> from 7AM to 7PM

Purse seines must release all Chinook.

**Area 9A (Port Gamble Bay):**

Open to skiff gillnets, with nets not to exceed 600 feet in length and 60 meshes in depth using 5-inch minimum mesh, continuously through 7 PM Saturday, October 27. All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**Area 12A (Quilcene Bay):**

Open to skiff gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh from 7 PM Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> to 7 PM Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**Area 12A (Quilcene Bay):**

Open to beach seines from 7 AM to 7 PM daily, using minimum 3-inch and maximum 4-inch mesh, from Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Only coho salmon may be retained.

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Fishers are reminded that a department issued **Fish Friendly certification card is required** to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries.

If you suspect an error in this message or if you have questions, please contact Kendall Henry, the Puget Sound Commercial Salmon Manager, at 360-902-2717.

Thank you for calling the commercial fisheries hotline.