



PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

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Wednesday, August 28 at 4:00 p.m.

[read by: Kendall Henry]

Revised gillnet vessel name for Area 10 limited participation pink fishery

Area 7 and 7A sockeye and pink fisheries are controlled by the Fraser River Panel and not posted on this hotline. Fishers should call the **National Marine Fisheries Service Hotline at 1-800-662-9825** to get opening information on Fraser Panel fisheries. Fishers are reminded that a department issued **Fish Friendly certification card is required** to participate in any Area 7 or 7A fisheries. Purse seiners fishing in 7 and 7A are reminded that brailing of catch is required during pink fisheries.

For the remainder of the week beginning Sunday August 25th all non-Fraser Panel controlled areas are closed except as follows:

Areas 7B (Bellingham Bay) and 7C (Samish Bay) will be open to:

Gillnets using 7-inch minimum mesh size:

7 PM Wednesday, August 28th to 8 AM Thursday, August 29th

7 PM Thursday, August 29th to 8 AM Friday, August 30th

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday, August 28th from 6 AM to 8 PM

Brailing and recovery box are required and all coho must be released.

Area 8 (Skagit Bay) will be open to:

Gillnets using 5 inch minimum and 5½ inch maximum mesh size with max 60 mesh depth:

Wednesday, August 28th from 6 AM to 10 PM

Thursday, August 29th from 6 AM to 10 PM

Area 8A (Port Gardner and Port Susan), waters north of line from Mukilteo Ferry Dock to Clinton Ferry Dock and west of a line from the southernmost boundary point of Area 8D through the green light at the entrance jetty of the Snohomish River only, **will be open to:**

Purse seines:

Wednesday, August 28th from 7 AM to 7 PM

Thursday, August 29th from 7 AM to 7 PM

Purse seines must release all Chinook, sockeye and chum.

Area 9A (Port Gamble Bay) will be 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 26th. All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

Area 10 Limited Participation Pink Fishery:

Drawings for the Area 10 limited participation pink fishery occurred on August 1st. We have contacted all the boats selected for the fishery. Department observers are required on board all vessels. The fishery will close when 200 Chinook mortalities are reached.

Pink seasonal closure: Area 10 is closed east of a line from West Pt extending west to the closest mid-channel buoy then true through Pt Wells until reaching latitude 47°44'50", then directly east to the shoreline.

Gillnets using 4½ inch minimum and 5½ inch maximum mesh size:

Open to gillnet vessel **Njord** only

7 PM Wednesday, August 28th to 7 AM Thursday, August 29th

Gillnets must release all Chinook and coho. Operational recovery box required.

Area 12A (Quilcene Bay) will be open to:

Beach seines daily 7 AM to 7 PM, with nets not to exceed 990 feet in length and 200 meshes in depth using minimum 3-inch and maximum 4-inch mesh, Monday, August 26th through Friday, August 30th.

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.