



## PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE 360-902-2500

No. 2013-7  
Friday, September 6 at 3:30 p.m.  
[read by: Kendall Henry]

**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 week beginning Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> all non-Fraser Panel controlled areas are closed except as follows:**

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

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

7 AM Sunday, September 8 to 7 AM Friday, September 13

Area 7B is closed to gillnets in Hales pass, the area west of a line from Point Francis to the red and green buoy southeast of Point Francis then to the northernmost tip of Eliza Island then along the eastern shore of the island to its southernmost tip and then north of a line from the southernmost tip of Eliza Island to Carter Point.

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

Monday, September 9 from 7 AM to 8 PM

Wednesday, September 11 from 7 AM to 8 PM

Friday, September 13 from 7 AM to 8 PM

Brailing and recovery box are required and all sockeye must be released.  
Purse Seines fishing in the Hales Pass closure area must release all coho.

**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 26<sup>th</sup>. All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**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, September 9 through Friday, September 13.

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.