

Department of Fish & Wildlife
Coastal Recreational Message

Sport 4

COASTAL RECREATIONAL FISHING MESSAGE Number 4

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COASTAL SALMON SEASON

U. S. – Canada border to Cape Falcon, Oregon.

Marine Area 1 (Leadbetter Point south):

Opens June 24 with a subarea quota of 22,527 Coho. Chinook guideline is 13,200. Open seven days per week, two fish daily limit, no more than one of which can be a Chinook. Release wild coho. Minimum size for Chinook is 24 inches. Minimum size for Coho is 16 inches. Columbia Control Zone 1 is closed. **The fishery will close at 11:59PM Tuesday, August 22.**

Marine Area 2 (Queets River to Leadbetter Point):

Opens July 1 with a subarea quota of 17,113 Coho. Chinook guideline is 21,400. Open seven days per week, two fish daily limit. Release wild coho. Minimum size for Chinook is 24 inches. Minimum size for Coho is 16 inches. Grays Harbor Control Zone is closed beginning August 14. **The fishery will close at 11:59PM Tuesday, August 22.**

Area 2.1 [east of a line from Leadbetter Point to Cape Shoalwater (Willapa Bay)]: July 1 – 31 open concurrent with Ocean Area 2. Ocean Area 2 rules apply. August 1-Jan. 31: min. size 12". Daily limit 6 (combined). Up to 3 adults may be retained. Release wild Chinook. Aug. 1-Sept. 30: The North River closure area is in effect. Anglers may fish with 2 poles with a Two-Pole Endorsement.

Area 2.2 [east of a line between tips of exposed jetties (Grays Harbor)]: Aug. 1-Sept.15: Humptulips North Bay Fishery, Min. size 12", Daily limit 2 (combined). Release wild Coho. September 16 – November 30: East Grays Harbor Fishery, Min size 12". Daily Limit 2 (combined), of which one may be a wild Coho, Release Chinook.

Marine Area 3 (Cape Alava to Queets River):

Opens June 24 with a subarea quota of 1,490 Coho. Chinook guideline is 2,500. Open seven days per week, two fish daily limit. Release wild coho. Minimum size for Chinook is 24 inches.

Minimum size for Coho is 16 inches. Fishery closes September 4 or upon attainment of quota.

Marine Area 4 (U.S. /Canada border to Cape Alava and East to Sekiu River):

Opens June 24 with a subarea quota of 3,970 Coho. Chinook guideline is 7,900. Open seven days per week, two fish daily limit. Release wild coho. Minimum size for Chinook is 24 inches. Minimum size for Coho is 16 inches. Beginning August 1, release all Chinook caught east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line. Release all Chum beginning August 1. Closed East of a true north-south line running through Sail Rock in July. **Closed to salmon angling beginning July 1** inside the area bounded by a line from Kydaka Point to Shipwreck Point. Fishery closes September 4 or upon attainment of quota.

Thank you for calling the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's sport fishing hotline.