

Department of Fish & Wildlife

Coastal Recreational Message

Sport 2

COASTAL RECREATIONAL FISHING MESSAGE Number 2

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COASTAL SALMON SEASON

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

Marine Area 1 (Leadbetter Point south):

Open June 23 with a subarea quota of 21,000 Coho. Chinook guideline is 8,000. 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. Fishery closes September 3 or upon attainment of quota.

Marine Area 2 (Queets River to Leadbetter Point):

Open July 1 with a subarea quota of 15,540 Coho. Chinook guideline is 13,100. Open Sundays through Thursdays; **Fridays and Saturdays are closed to salmon angling.** 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. Grays Harbor Control Zone is closed beginning August 13. Fishery closes September 3 or upon attainment of quota.

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, of which only one may be a coho. Release wild Chinook. Beginning August 1, the Willapa Bay Control Zone is closed. August 1-September 30: The North River closure area is in effect. Anglers may fish with 2 poles with a Two-Pole Endorsement August 1 – January 31.

Area 2.2 [east of a line between tips of exposed jetties (Grays Harbor)]:

August 1-September 15: Humptulips North Bay Fishery, Min. size 12", Daily limit 2 (combined). Release wild Coho. October 1 – November 30: East Grays Harbor Fishery, Min size 12". Daily Limit 1. Release Chinook.

Marine Area 3 (Cape Alava to Queets River):

Open June 23 with a subarea quota of 1,090 Coho. Chinook guideline is 1,500. 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 3 or upon attainment of quota.

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

Open June 23 with a subarea quota of 4,370 Coho. Chinook guideline is 4,900. Open seven days per week, two fish daily limit. No more than one chinook is allowed in the daily limit through July 13. 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. **Closed to salmon angling beginning July 1** inside the area bounded by a line from Kydaka Point to Shipwreck Point. Fishery closes September 3 or upon attainment of quota.

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