

Washington Fisheries Disaster Relief Funds

2016 Washington Ocean Salmon Troll and Ocean Salmon Charter: \$829,395

These funds are considered to be an initial, partial payment towards the disaster, but persons who meet the qualifying criteria described below could be eligible for additional funds as those become available. Given the limited amount of funds for this disaster, these initial funds are for direct payment to ocean salmon troll and ocean salmon charter license owners. If additional funds for this disaster become available, the qualifying criteria for those funds could include charter offices and Puget Sound salmon charter license owners.

Allocate 67% of the funds as direct payments to Washington ocean salmon troll license holders and 33% of the funds as direct payments to Washington ocean salmon charter license holders, as follows:

Qualifying Criteria (Washington ocean salmon troll):

1. Must have owned a Washington ocean salmon troll license and actively participated in the ocean salmon troll fishery in a minimum of three of the five years prior to the fisheries disaster (i.e., 2011-2015), and
2. Must have owned an active Washington ocean salmon troll license during the year of the disaster (2016), and
3. Must have landed into Washington a minimum of 100 salmon per license, which were caught in the ocean troll fishery during the qualifying period (i.e., 2011-2015) with that license.

Distribution of Funds (Washington ocean salmon troll):

Individual license owners who meet the qualifying criteria above and apply for fisheries disaster funds by the specified deadline, would be eligible to receive funds based on the number of salmon landed into Washington in the ocean salmon troll fisheries during the qualifying period (i.e., 2011-2015), according to the following tiers:

Tier	# Salmon Landed	% Allocation
1	100-699	2.16%
2	700-2099	33.27%
3	2100-3699	45.42%
4	3700+	19.15%
		100.00%

Qualifying Criteria (Washington ocean salmon charter):

1. Must have owned an active Washington salmon charter license in a minimum of three of the five years prior to the fisheries disaster (i.e., 2011-2015) as well as the year of the disaster (2016), and
2. Must have taken a minimum of 100 ocean salmon angler trips from a Washington coastal port during the qualifying period (i.e., 2011-2015) with that license.

Distribution of Funds (Washington ocean salmon charter):

Individual license owners who meet the qualifying criteria above and apply for disaster relief by the specified deadline, would be eligible to receive funds. Funds would be equally distributed among qualifying applicants, and the amount of funds distributed per applicant depends on the number of qualifying applicants.