



# RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

## CR-103E (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.350 and 34.05.360)

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STATE OF WASHINGTON  
FILED

DATE: September 16, 2019

TIME: 10:21 AM

WSR 19-19-057

**Agency:** Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 19-221)

**Effective date of rule:**

**Emergency Rules**

- Immediately upon filing.  
 Later (specify)

**Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?**

- Yes  No If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** Amend recreational shrimping rules in Puget Sound

**Citation of rules affected by this order:**

New:

Repealed: WAC 220-330-07000U, WAC 220-330-07000V, WAC 220-330-01000F

Amended: WAC 220-330-070

Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045 and 77.12.047

**Other authority:**

**EMERGENCY RULE**

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

**Reasons for this finding:** This regulation is needed to ensure an orderly fishery, manage the fishery within court-ordered sharing requirements, and ensure conservation. Spot shrimp seasons run through September 15, 2019. This regulation closes the recreational spot shrimp fishery in Marine Areas 4 (east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line), 5, 6 (excluding the Discovery Bay Shrimp District) to protect female spot shrimp during the onset of the egg-bearing period. This also removes the bonus limit of 120 shrimp in Marine Area 6 (excluding the Discovery Bay Shrimp District). Harvestable amounts of non-spot shrimp are available in several Marine Areas, and the depth restrictions and area closures are in effect to protect spot shrimp consistent with signed management plans. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.  
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.  
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

**The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:**

Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___

**The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:**

New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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**The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:**

New	1	Amended	___	Repealed	3
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**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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**The number of sections adopted using:**

Negotiated rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Pilot rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Other alternative rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___

**Date Adopted:** September 16, 2019

**Name:** Kelly Susewind

**Title:** Director

**Signature:**



## NEW SECTION

### **WAC 220-330-07000V Shrimp—Areas and Seasons.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-070, effective immediately until further notice, it is unlawful to fish for or possess shrimp taken for personal use in all waters of Marine Areas 4 (east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line), 5, 6, 7, 8-1, 8-2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and the Discovery Bay Shrimp District, except as provided for in this section:

- (1) Marine Areas 4 (east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line) and 5 are open daily to the harvest of all shrimp species except spot shrimp. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed.
- (2) All waters equal to or less than 200 feet in Marine Area 6 (excluding the Discovery Bay Shrimp District), and 7 East are open daily until further notice to the harvest of all species except spot shrimp. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. It is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 200 feet deep.
- (3) All waters equal to or less than 150 feet Marine Areas 8-1, 8-2, 9, and 11 are open daily until further notice to the harvest of all species except spot shrimp. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. It is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 150 feet deep.
- (4) All waters equal to or less than 250 feet Marine Area 13 are open daily until further notice to the harvest of all species except spot shrimp. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. It is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 250 feet deep.

## REPEALERS

The following sections of the Washington Administrative Code are repealed:

WAC 220-330-07000U Shrimp—Areas and Seasons. (19-186)

WAC 220-330-01000F Shellfish—Daily limits. (19-156)

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective October 16, 2019:

WAC 220-330-07000V Shrimp—Areas and Seasons.

