



**RULE-MAKING ORDER
EMERGENCY RULE ONLY**

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

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DATE: November 14, 2019

TIME: 4:43 PM

WSR 19-23-057

Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 19-288)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) November 16, 2019

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

- Yes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: Amend Puget Sound commercial gillnet fishery rules.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

- New:
- Repealed: WAC 220-354-16000B
- Amended: WAC 220-354-160
- 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 emergency rule is needed to close the commercial gillnet salmon fishery in the Whatcom Creek Hatchery Zone area of Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Area 7B beginning November 16, 2019. In season observations indicate lower than expected chum returns to this date for the Whatcom Creek Hatchery. These measures are necessary to ensure that hatchery egg take and escapement goals are met. 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Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___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New ____ Amended ____ Repealed ____

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New 1 Amended ____ Repealed 1

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New ____ Amended ____ Repealed ____

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: November 14, 2019	Signature: 
Name: Nate Pamplin for Kelly Susewind	
Title: Director	

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-354-16000B Puget Sound salmon—Gillnet—Open periods.

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-354-160, effective November 16 through December 7, 2019:

That portion of Puget Sound Management and Catch Reporting Area 7B east of a line from Post Point to the flashing red light at the west entrance to Squalicum Harbor, (the Whatcom Creek Hatchery Zone), is closed to gillnets.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective December 7, 2019:

WAC 220-354-16000B Puget Sound salmon—Gillnet—Open periods.