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### **INDUSTRY NOTICE**

**February 3, 2023**

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife was notified that a large quantity of faulty zip ties were sold recently in coastal stores, potentially to the commercial fishing industry. The purpose of this notice is to encourage all crabbers to check that their buoy tags are adequately secured and replace any potentially faulty buoy tag attachment devices.

It is the responsibility of the license owner or alternate operator to ensure every crab pot used in the coastal Dungeness crab fishery has a current season buoy tag attached per WAC 220-340-430. WDFW will not be issuing replacement tags for faulty attachment mechanisms of buoy tags.

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