

2022 Summary of Willapa Bay Fall Salmon Commercial Fishery Schedule

This summary sheet is provided as a courtesy for use as a quick reference and does not fully describe 2022 rules. For additional information or questions, contact Barbara McClellan at #360-249-1213 or check the website at https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/commercial/gillnet#information.

The following are in effect for ALL commercial openers in Willapa Bay:

- **Retention of STURGEON OR STEELHEAD is PROHIBITED**. ALL encounters MUST be reported to Wholesale Buyer or Quick Reporting.
- For QUICK REPORTING (required by 10am the day following landing), NOTICE OF INTENT, and reporting GREEN STURGEON or STEELHEAD ENCOUNTERS USE: Telephone 1-866-791-1280, Fax 360-249-1229; or email harborfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov
- Notice of Intent to fish any opener during 2022 is **REQUIRED** by 5 p.m. August 19, 2022.
- All participants <u>MUST</u> have attended a "Fish Friendly" best fishing practices workshop and have their department-issued certification card in their immediate possession.
- <u>RELEASE</u> ALL NATURAL (UNMARKED) CHINOOK, ALL STEELHEAD, and ALL STURGEON
- Live boxes are required to be used on-board for wild (unmarked) Chinook and All Steelhead prior to release.
- Soak times are limited to 45 minutes (when first buoy enters the water until buoy is fully retrieved from the water)

Area 2T:

When fishing Area 2T, the following rule applies: Those waters north of a line from Toke Point channel marker 3, easterly through Willapa Harbor channel marker 13 (green), then northeasterly to the power transmission pole located at 46°43.1907'N, 123°50.83134'W) are **CLOSED to commercial salmon fishing September 16 through September 30, 2022**.

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Date and Time	Area	Mesh Size Stretched
August 2022		
6 AM through 6 PM: Aug. 26	2N, 2M	Tangle Net: 4 1/4 -inch maximum
September 2022		
6 AM through 6 PM: Sept. 2	2N, 2M	Tangle Net: 4 ¹ / ₄ -inch maximum
6 AM through 6 PM: Sept. 7	2N, 2M	Tangle Net: 4 ¼ -inch maximum
7 AM through 7 PM: Sept. 12, 13, 15	2N, 2M	Tangle Net: 4 ¹ / ₄ -inch maximum
7 AM through 7 PM: Sept. 16	2N, 2M, <mark>2T*</mark> , 2U	Tangle Net: 4 ¹ / ₄ -inch maximum
7 AM through 7 PM: Sept. 17	2N, <mark>2T*</mark> , 2U	Tangle Net: 4 ¹ / ₄ -inch maximum
7 AM through 7 PM: Sept. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23	2N, 2M, 2R, <mark>2T*</mark> , 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 ½ inch
7 AM through 7 PM: Sept. 26, 27, 29, 30	2N, 2M, 2R, <mark>2T*</mark> , 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 ½ inch
October 2022		
7 AM through 7 PM: Oct. 1	2N, 2M, 2R, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 1/2 inch
7 AM through 7 PM: Oct. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	2N, 2M, 2R, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 ½ inch
7 AM through 7 PM: Oct. 9 and 10	2N, 2M, 2R, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 ½ inch
7 AM through 7 PM: Oct. 13 and 15	2N, 2R, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 ½ inch
November 2022		
7 AM through 7 PM: Nov. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	2N, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 1/2 inch
7 AM through 7 PM: Nov. 7	2N, 2M, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 1/2 inch
7 AM through 7 PM: Nov. 11	2N, 2M, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 1/2 inch
7 AM through 7 PM: Nov. 16	2N, 2M, 2T, 2U	Maximum mesh: 6 1/2 inch

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