



RULE-MAKING ORDER

CR-103E (July 2011)
(Implements RCW 34.05.350)

Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Emergency Rule Only

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules 14-232

- 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 commercial fishing rules

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed: WAC 220-52-04000J
 Amended: WAC 220-52-040
 Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020 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.
- That in order to implement the requirements or reductions in appropriations enacted in any budget for fiscal year 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, or 2013, which necessitates the need for the immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the fiscal needs or requirements of the agency.

Reasons for this finding: The weekly landing limit and period is necessary to mitigate handling mortality from sorting soft shelled crab and is in conformity with the Coastal Dungeness crab Summer Fishery Management Plan. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Date adopted: August 29, 2014

NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)

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TITLE

Director

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**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Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____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 in the agency's own initiative:

New	<u>1</u>	Amended	_____	Repealed	<u>1</u>
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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	_____

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-52-04000J Coastal crab fishery – Weekly trip limits.

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-52-040: effective immediately until further notice:

(1) It is unlawful for any person licensed to fish under a Dungeness crab-coastal fishery license to possess or land crab in excess of 4,500 pounds taken during each of the following coastal crab accounting periods:

- (a) August 31 through September 6, 2014
- (b) September 7 through September 13, 2014
- (c) September 14 through September 15, 2014

(2) Any crab taken prior to August 31, 2014, and not landed before 11:59 p.m. August 30, 2014, become part of the August 31 through September 6, 2014 accounting period catch.

(3) It is unlawful for any person taking crab under subsection (1) of this section to fish for crab during any accounting period while having on board any crab taken in a different accounting period.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective September 16, 2014:

WAC 220-52-04000J Coastal crab Fishery – Weekly trip limits

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(14-232, 8/29/2014)

