

RULE-MAKING ORDER

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

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Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Emergency Rule Only			
Effective date of rule: Emergency Rules 15-379 Immediately upon filing. Later (specify) October 17, 2015				
Any other findings required by other provisions of law as pre	econdition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?			
Purpose: Amend recreational fishing rules				
Citation of existing rules affected by this order: Repealed: WAC 220-310-20000Z Amended: WAC 220-310-200 Suspended:				
Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.0	020, and 77.12.047			
Other authority :				
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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-310-20000Z Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia River.

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-310-200, effective October 17 through November 30, 2015, it is permissible to fish for salmon in waters of the Columbia River from Priest Rapids Dam to 400' below Chief Joseph Dam with the following restrictions:

- (1) Daily limit six Chinook salmon (marked or unmarked), of which only three may be adult Chinook. Release coho salmon.
- (2) Minimum size 12 inches.
- (3) Selective gear rules apply, except bait is permissible.
- (4) Night closure upstream of the powerlines crossing the Columbia River ¾ mile downstream of Wells Dam.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective December 1, 2015:

WAC 220-310-20000Z Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia River.

EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- (x) 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 years 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: Over 60,000 Chinook primarily from the Hanford Reach fall Chinook hatchery programs have returned above Priest Rapids Dam, including over 25,000 above Rock Island Dam. The intent of the fishery is the removal of excess hatchery fall Chinook from the Upper Columbia River Basin while also providing additional angling opportunity. The population is not listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

(15-379, 10/16/2015)