



# 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 16-183**

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) July 20, 2016

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

- Yes
  - No
- If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** Amend recreational fishing rules for the Lake Wenatchee

**Citation of existing rules affected by this order:**

Repealed:  
 Amended: WAC 220-310-195  
 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: Based on current sockeye passage analysis at both Tumwater Dam and mainstem Columbia River Dams, at least 60,000 total sockeye are projected to be destined for Lake Wenatchee. This provides an estimated 37,000 sockeye to be available for harvest above the natural spawning escapement goal of 23,000 fish. Opening Lake Wenatchee for a sockeye fishery will provide angling opportunity. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

**Date adopted:** July 18, 2016

**NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)**

J W Unsworth

**SIGNATURE**

**TITLE**

Director

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OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER  
STATE OF WASHINGTON  
FILED

**DATE: July 18, 2016**

**TIME: 11:43 AM**

**WSR 16-15-063**

(COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE)

**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:**

<b>Federal statute:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Federal rules or standards:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Recently enacted state statutes:</b>	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	_____
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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:**

<b>Negotiated rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Pilot rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Other alternative rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

NEW SECTION

**WAC 220-310-19500R Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Lake Wenatchee.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-310-195, effective July 20, 2016, one hour before official sunrise, until further notice, it is permissible to fish for sockeye salmon in Lake Wenatchee:

- (1) Daily limit 6 sockeye, minimum size 12 inches in length.
- (2) Selective gear rules and night closure in effect for all species.
- (3) Anglers may fish with 2 poles so long as they possess a valid two-pole endorsement.
- (4) Bull trout, steelhead, and Chinook salmon must be released unharmed without removing the fish from the water.

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