



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 17-80

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) April 28, 2017

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 Yakima River

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed: WAC 220-312-05000H
 Amended: WAC 220-312-050
 Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.04.012, RCW 77.04.020 and RCW 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: Yakama Nation and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife fishery managers are forecasting a harvestable return of 2,760 adult hatchery spring Chinook to the Yakima River in 2017. Opening the two sections of the Yakima River for spring Chinook salmon will provide additional fishing opportunity. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Date adopted: April 17, 2017

NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)

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TITLE

Director

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**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Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____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 220-312-05000H Exceptions to statewide rules—Yakima River.

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-312-050:

- (1) Effective April 28 through June 15, 2017, a person may fish for salmon in waters of the Yakima River from:
 - (a) The Hwy. 240 bridge in Richland (river mile 2.1) to the Grant Avenue Bridge in Prosser (river mile 47.0), about 1,000 feet downstream of Prosser Dam.
 - (b) The Wine Country Rd. Bridge in Prosser (river mile 47.3), about 1,300 feet upstream of Prosser Dam, to the State Route 241 (Sunnyside - Mabton Hwy.) Bridge (river mile 59.8).
- (2) Daily limit of two hatchery Chinook, minimum size 12 inches in length. Terminal gear restricted to two, single (point), barbless hooks with a hook gap from point to shank of 3/4 inch or less when fishing for salmon. Use of bait is allowed.
- (3) In Area 1.a., for the duration of this salmon fishery, the Yakima River is closed to all fishing within 400 feet upstream and 400 feet downstream of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Chandler Powerhouse/Pumping Station (river mile 35.8).
- (4) The Columbia River Salmon/Steelhead Endorsement is required to participate in this fishery (except for Free Fishing Weekend, June 10-11), in addition to a freshwater fishing license.
- (5) In all areas open to salmon fishing, the use of two (2) fishing poles is permitted during the salmon fishery provided the participating angler has purchased a “Two-Pole Endorsement” (in addition to the freshwater fishing license/Catch Record Card and Columbia River salmon/steelhead endorsement).

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective June 16, 2017:

WAC 220-312-05000H Exceptions to statewide rules—Yakima River.