



# 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 17-175**

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) July 27, 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 Columbia River

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

Repealed:  
 Amended: WAC 220-312-060  
 Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.12.047 and RCW 77.04.020

**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: Current abundance estimates of un-clipped (wild) adult Chinook salmon returning to the Okanogan River are in excess of spawner escapement needs. Approximately 2,000 wild adult Chinook are available for harvest by recreational sport anglers. This emergency rule is needed to allow anglers to retain one un-clipped adult Chinook salmon as part of the daily limit which will provide additional angling opportunity. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

**Date adopted:** July 26, 2017

**NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)**

J W Unsworth

**SIGNATURE**

**TITLE**

Director

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STATE OF WASHINGTON  
FILED

**DATE: July 26, 2017**

**TIME: 10:05 AM**

**WSR 17-16-069**

**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 220-312-06000Q Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia River.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-312-060, effective July 27, 2017, until further notice the following rules apply. Unless otherwise amended, all permanent rules remain in effect.

**Columbia River** – In waters from the Highway 173 bridge at Brewster upstream to the Highway 17 bridge at Bridgeport it is permissible to retain one unclipped (wild) adult Chinook salmon as part of the daily limit.