



**RULE-MAKING ORDER
EMERGENCY RULE ONLY**

**CR-103E (October 2017)
(Implements RCW 34.05.350
and 34.05.360)**

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DATE: December 01, 2017

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WSR 17-24-057

Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (17-336)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- 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: Amends commercial purse seine and gillnet fisheries in Puget Sound

Citation of rules affected by this order:

- New:
- Repealed: WAC 220-354-12000N, WAC 220-354-16000M
- Amended: WAC 220-354-120, WAC 220-354-160
- Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045 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.

Reasons for this finding: This emergency rule is needed to close the commercial chum salmon fisheries in Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Area 7B due to concerns over low returns to the Nooksack River and Kendall Creek Hatchery. The closure is necessary to ensure natural escapement and hatchery broodstock goals are met. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

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Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___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New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___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

New	2	Amended	___	Repealed	2
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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	___

Date Adopted: December 1, 2017

Name: J W Unsworth

Title: Director

Signature:



NEW SECTION

WAC 220-354-12000N Purse Seine--Open periods. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-354-120, effective immediately until further notice, it is unlawful to take, fish for, or possess salmon taken for commercial purposes in Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Areas except during the periods provided in this section, provided that unless otherwise amended, all permanent rules remain in effect:

Areas	Open Periods
7B	Closed

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-354-16000M Gillnet--Open periods. Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-354-160, effective immediately until further notice, it is unlawful to take, fish for, or possess salmon taken for commercial purposes in Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Areas except during the periods provided in this section, provided that unless otherwise amended, all permanent rules remain in effect:

Areas	Open Periods
7B	Closed

REPEALER

The following sections of the Washington Administrative Code are repealed effective December 9, 2017:

WAC 220-354-12000N Purse Seine--Open periods.

WAC 220-354-16000M Gillnet--Open periods.