



**RULE-MAKING ORDER
EMERGENCY RULE ONLY**

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

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DATE: May 25, 2018

TIME: 11:15 AM

WSR 18-12-023

Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 18-108)

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 salmon troll rules in coastal marine areas.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:
Repealed: WAC 220-354-30000F
Amended: WAC 220-354-300
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 necessary because a limited quota of salmon remains available for the troll fleet in the area north of the Queets River. These rules are adopted at the recommendation of the Pacific Fisheries Management Council, in accordance with preseason fishing plans. 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Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___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New Amended Repealed

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New 1 Amended Repealed 1

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New Amended Repealed

The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New <input type="text"/>	Amended <input type="text"/>	Repealed <input type="text"/>
Pilot rule making:	New <input type="text"/>	Amended <input type="text"/>	Repealed <input type="text"/>
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Date Adopted: May 25, 2018

Name: Ron Warren for Joe Stohr

Title: Director

Signature:



NEW SECTION

WAC 220-354-30000G Coastal salmon troll seasons—Commercial.

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-354-300, effective immediately until further notice, it is unlawful to fish for salmon with troll gear or to land salmon taken with troll gear into a Washington port except during the seasons provided below:

- (1) Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Areas 1 and 2 open:
May 1 through June 30, 2018.
- (2) Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Areas 3, and that portion of Area 4 west of 125°05'00" W longitude and south of 48°23'00" N latitude open:
May 1 through May 27, 2018.
- (3) In Washington Catch Reporting Areas 1, 3 and 4, landing and possession limit of 50 Chinook per vessel per landing week, defined as Thursday through Wednesday.
- (4) In Washington Catch Reporting Area 2, landing and possession limit of 100 Chinook per vessel per landing week, defined as Thursday through Wednesday.
- (5) The Cape Flattery and Columbia River Control Zones are closed. The Mandatory Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Area is closed.
- (6) Minimum size for Chinook salmon is 28 inches in length. No minimum size for pink, sockeye or chum salmon. It is unlawful to possess coho salmon.
- (5) Lawful troll gear is restricted to all legal troll gear with single point, single shank barbless hooks.
- (6) Fishers must land and deliver their catch within 24 hours of any closure of a fishery provided for in this section. Vessels in possession of salmon north of the Queets River may not cross the Queets River line without first notifying WDFW by phone at (360) 249-1215 or by email at Wendy.Beehley@dfw.wa.gov with Area fished, total Chinook and halibut catch aboard, and destination. Vessels in possession of salmon south of the Queets River may not cross the Queets River line without first notifying WDFW by phone at (360) 249-1215 or by email at Wendy.Beehley@dfw.wa.gov with Area fished, total Chinook and halibut catch aboard, and destination. Vessels fishing or in possession of salmon while fishing north of Leadbetter Point must land and deliver their fish within the area and North of Leadbetter Point. Vessels fishing or in possession of salmon while fishing south of Leadbetter Point must land and deliver their fish within the area and south of Leadbetter Point.
- (7) The Cape Flattery Control Zone is defined as the area from Cape Flattery (48°23'00" N latitude) to the northern boundary of the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone, and the area from Cape Flattery south to Cape Alava, 48°10'00" N latitude, and east of 125°05'00" W longitude.
- (8) The Columbia Control Zone is defined as an area at the Columbia River mouth, bounded on the west by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 (46°13'35" N. Lat., 124°06'50" W. long.) and the green lighted Buoy #7 (46°15'09' N. lat., 124°06'16" W. long.); on the east, by the Buoy #10 line which bears north/south at 357° true from the south jetty at 46°14'00" N. lat., 124°03'07" W. long, to its intersection with the north jetty; on the north, by a line running northeast/southwest between the green lighted Buoy #7 to the tip of the north jetty (46°15'48" N. lat., 124°05'20" W. long.), and then along the north jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line; and, on the south, by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 and tip of the south jetty (46°14'03" N. lat., 124°04'05" W. long.), and then along the south jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line.

(9) The Mandatory Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Area is defined as the area in Washington Marine Catch Area 3 from 48°00.00' N latitude; 125°14.00' W longitude to 48°02.00' N latitude; 125°14.00' W longitude to 48°02.00' N latitude; 125°16.50' W longitude to 48°00.00' N latitude; 125°16.50' W longitude and connecting back to 48°00.00' N latitude; 125°14.00' W longitude.

(10) It is unlawful to fish in Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Areas 1, 2, 3 or 4 with fish on board taken south of Cape Falcon, Oregon and all fish taken from Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Areas 1, 2, 3, and 4 must be landed before fishing south of Cape Falcon, Oregon.

(11) It is unlawful for wholesale dealers and trollers retailing their fish to fail to report their landing by 10:00 a.m. the day following landing. Ticket information can be telephoned in by calling 1-866-791-1279, faxing the information to (360) 902-2949, or e-mailing to trollfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov. Report the dealer name, the dealer license number, the purchasing location, the date of purchase, the fish ticket numbers, the gear used, the catch area, the species, the total number for each species, and the total weight for each species, including halibut.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective immediately:

WAC 220-354-30000F Coastal salmon troll seasons—Commercial. (18-78)