



# 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

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**Agency:** Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 18-109)

**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:** Amend recreational shrimping rules in Puget Sound

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

New:  
 Repealed:  
 Amended: WAC 220-330-070; WAC 220-330-010  
 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 ensure an orderly fishery, manage the fishery within court-ordered sharing requirements, and ensure conservation. Sufficient amounts of spot shrimp remain available in Marine Area 6 to raise the daily bag limit on a trial basis, and in Marine Area 12 sufficient amounts of spot shrimp remain to allow two more day of fishing. In addition, harvestable amounts of non-spot shrimp are available in several Marine Areas, and the depth restrictions and area closures are in effect to protect spot shrimp. 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Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____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 2 Amended \_\_\_\_ Repealed \_\_\_\_

**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	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Pilot rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Other alternative rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

<b>Date Adopted:</b> May 25, 2018	<b>Signature:</b> 
<b>Name:</b> Ron Warren for Joe Stohr	
<b>Title:</b> Director	

## NEW SECTION

### **WAC 220-330-07000I Shrimp--Areas and Seasons.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-070, effective June 1, 2018, it is unlawful to fish for or possess shrimp taken for personal use in all waters of Marine Areas 4 (east of the east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line), 5, 6, 7, 8-1, 8-2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and the Discovery Bay Shrimp District, except as provided for in this section:

- (1) Marine Areas 4 (east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line), 5, 6 (excluding the Discovery Bay Shrimp District) and 7 West are open to the harvest of all shrimp species.
- (2) All waters equal to or less than 200 feet in depth in Marine Area 7 East are open to the harvest of all shrimp species except spot shrimp. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. It is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 200 feet deep.
- (3) All waters equal to or less than 150 feet in depth in Marine Areas 8-1, 8-2, 9 and 11 are open to the harvest of all shrimp species except spot shrimp. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. It is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 150 feet deep.
- (4) All waters equal to or less than 250 feet in depth in Marine Area 13 are open to the harvest of all shrimp species except spot shrimp. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. It is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 250 feet deep.
- (5) Marine Area 12: Open June 6 and June 9, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m.

## NEW SECTION

### **WAC 220-330-01000D Shellfish—Daily limits.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-010, effective June 1, 2018, until further notice, in Marine Area 6 it is permissible for any one person to take up to 120 shrimp for personal use in any one day.

