



# RULE-MAKING ORDER PERMANENT RULE ONLY

## CR-103P (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Effective date of rule:**

**Permanent Rules**

- 31 days after filing.  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

**Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?**

- Yes  No If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** The purpose of this rules making is to modify the current rule governing free fishing weekend. The rule as adopted restricts the waiver of a license requirement on free fishing weekend to fish that do not require a catch record card (CRC). This eliminates the wavier for shellfish and species requiring a CRC on free fishing weekend unless the angler/harvester is otherwise lawfully allowed to harvest those species (i. e., is in possession of valid license appropriate for those species and if required is also in possession of the appropriate CRC).

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

New:  
Repealed:  
Amended: WAC 220-220-230 .  
Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, RCW 77.04.055, RCW 77.12.047, RCW 77.32.010, RCW 77.32.025, RCW 77.32.090.

**Other authority:**

**PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)**

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 22-07-098 on March 22, 2022 (date).  
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None.

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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**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Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___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New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___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	___	Amended	<u>1</u>	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:**

Negotiated rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Pilot rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Other alternative rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___

<b>Date Adopted:</b> July 15, 2022	<b>Signature:</b> 
<b>Name:</b> Barbara Baker	
<b>Title:</b> Commission Chair	

**WAC 220-220-230 Free fishing weekend.** The Saturday and Sunday following the first Monday in June is declared to be free fishing weekend in Washington. On this weekend a fishing license is not required for any person, regardless of age or residency, to fish for or possess fish (~~and shellfish and a fish and wildlife lands vehicle use permit is not required to utilize department parking facilities except that it is unlawful to fish for or possess any species for which a catch record is required without a valid catch record card in possession.~~) for which a catch record card is not required. On free fishing weekend, anglers may fish with two poles in all lakes where it is legal to do so without purchasing a two-pole endorsement (~~. During free fishing weekend~~), and a fish and wildlife lands vehicle access pass is not required to use department parking facilities. Only the license, endorsements, and permit provided for in this section are affected, and all other rules (~~including the catch record card requirement~~) remain in effect.

Free fishing weekend does not apply to fish that require a catch record card or shellfish, and any licensure requirements otherwise provided for by rule continue to apply to those species.