



**RULE-MAKING ORDER
EMERGENCY RULE ONLY**

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

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STATE OF WASHINGTON
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DATE: May 28, 2024

TIME: 3:49 PM

WSR 24-12-030

Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 24-79)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) May 30, 2024

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 rule is to open additional recreational shrimp seasons in Puget Sound.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

- New:
- Repealed: WAC 220-330-07000W
- Amended: WAC 220-330-070
- 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 rule is needed to ensure an orderly fishery, manage the fishery within court-ordered sharing requirements, and meet conservation objectives. Harvestable amounts of spot shrimp are available, but recreational shares will only support a limited number of open days in the Marine Areas listed in this section. In addition to recreational seasons previously scheduled in WSR 24-09-024 (filed April 9, 2024), this emergency rules opens all-species seasons in Marine Area 6 Discovery Bay Shrimp District, Marine Area 7 East, Marine Area 9, and Marine Area 10. This rule also opens non-spot shrimp seasons beginning June 1 in Marine areas 11 and 13 with maximum depth restrictions. 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	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Pilot rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Other alternative rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

Date Adopted: May 28, 2024

Name: Amy Windrope for Kelly Susewind

Title: Director

Signature:



NEW SECTION

WAC 220-330-07000X Shrimp—Areas and Seasons.

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-330-070, effective May 30, 2024, until further notice, it is unlawful to fish for or possess shrimp taken for personal use in all waters of Marine Areas 4 (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) and 5: Open daily, from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset, until further notice for all shrimp species.
- (2) Marine Area 6 (excluding the Discovery Bay Shrimp District): Open from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset on May 30 through June 1, June 13 through 16, June 28 through June 30, and July 12 through July 15 for all shrimp species.
- (3) Discovery Bay Shrimp District: Open May 30 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.
- (4) Marine Area 7 South: Only that portion of Marine Area 7 South that is west of a line projected due south from Point Colville on Lopez Island and east of a line projected due south from Cattle Point on San Juan Island will open from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset on May 30 through June 1 for all shrimp species. The remaining portion of 7 South will stay closed.
- (5) Marine Area 7 East: Open from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset on May 30 through June 1 for all shrimp species.
- (6) Marine Area 7 West: Open from 1 hour before official sunrise to 1 hour after official sunset on May 30 through June 1, June 13 through 15, June 28 through 30, and July 12 through 14 for all shrimp species.
- (7) Marine Areas 8-1 and 8-2:
 - (a) Open May 30 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.
 - (b) Divers may take shrimp by hand or hand-held device from 7:00 p.m. until midnight on May 30 in Marine Area 8-2.
- (8) Marine Area 9: Open June 13 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.
- (9) Marine Area 10 (inside Elliott Bay): Open June 13 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.
- (10) Marine Area 10 (outside Elliott Bay): Open June 13 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.
- (11) Marine Area 11: Open daily from June 1 through October 15 for shrimp species other than spot shrimp with a 175-foot maximum fishing depth restriction. During this time it is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 175 feet deep. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed.

- (12) Marine Area 12: Open May 30, and June 15 from 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. for all shrimp species.
- (13) Marine Area 13: Open daily from June 1 through October 15 for shrimp species other than spot shrimp with a 200-foot maximum fishing depth restriction. During this time it is unlawful to set or pull shrimp gear in waters greater than 200 feet deep. All spot shrimp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed.

REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective May 30, 2024:
WAC 220-330-07000W Shrimp—Areas and Seasons. (24-52)