



**PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON
FISHERIES HOTLINE
(360) 902-2500**

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Week 37

Friday, September 4 at 3:30 p.m.

[read by: Kendall Henry]

Area 7 and 7A pink fisheries are controlled by the Fraser River Panel and are not posted on this hotline. Fishers should call the **National Marine Fisheries Service Hotline at 1-800-662-9825** to get opening information on Fraser Panel fisheries. Fishers are reminded that a department issued **Fish Friendly certification card is required** to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries.

For the week beginning Sunday September 6th all areas are closed except as follows:

Areas 7B (Bellingham Bay) will be open to:

Gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh size:

7 AM Sunday, September 6th to 7 AM Friday, September 11th

Hale Pass is closed to gillnets.

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Monday, September 7th 6 AM to 8 PM

Wednesday, September 9th from 6 AM to 8 PM

Friday, September 11th from 6 AM to 8 PM

Brailing is required and purse seines fishing in the Hale Pass closure area must release all coho.

Area 8 (Skagit Bay) will be open to:

Gillnets using 5 inch minimum and 5½ inch maximum mesh size with max 60 mesh depth:

Tuesday, September 8th from 5 AM to 11 PM.

Purse seines:

Wednesday, September 9th from 6 AM to 8 PM

Purse seines must release all Chinook, sockeye and chum.

Area 9A (Port Gamble Bay) will be open to:

Skiff gillnets with nets not to exceed 600 feet in length and 60 meshes in depth using 5-inch minimum mesh, is open continuously through 7 PM Saturday, October 31st. All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

Area 12A (Quilcene Bay) will be open to:

Beach seines with nets not to exceed 990 feet in length and 200 meshes in depth using minimum 3-inch and maximum 4-inch mesh:

7 AM to 7 PM daily, from Monday, September 7th through Friday, September 11th

Beach seines may only retain coho.

If you suspect an error in this message or if you have questions, please contact Kendall Henry, the Puget Sound Commercial Salmon Fisheries Manager, at 360-902-2717.

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/commercial/salmon/>