



**PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON
FISHERIES HOTLINE
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2017-15, Week 42 update
Monday October 16th at 4 p.m.
[read by: Kendall Henry]

Fishers are reminded that a department issued **Fish Friendly certification card is required** for any vessel operator to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries.

For the remainder of the week beginning Sunday October 15th all areas are closed except as follows:

Area 6D (Dungeness Bay) will be open to:

Skiff gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh
7 AM to 7 PM daily through Friday, October 20th
All Chinook must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**Areas 7/7A (San Juan Islands and Point Roberts) will be open to:
Reef Nets**

5 AM to 9 PM Daily through November 11th
Must release all Chinook.

Gillnets using 6 ¼-inch minimum mesh size:
Thursday, October 19th from 7 AM to midnight

Gillnets must release all Chinook and coho.
Recovery boxes are required and soak times are limited to 45 minutes from first mesh in to last mesh out.

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:
Thursday, October 19th from 7 AM to 6 PM

Recovery boxes are required and purse seines must release all Chinook and coho.

Note: There is a conference call scheduled with the co-managers on Friday October 20th to schedule future 7/7A openings. The hotline will be updated Friday after 4 PM.

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

Gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh
Continuously through midnight Saturday, November 4th

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip
Continuously through 6 PM Saturday, November 4th

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Area 8D (Tulalip Bay) will be open west of a line from Mission Point to Hermosa Point to:

Gillnets using 5 inch minimum mesh

Tuesday, October 17th from 7 AM to 8 PM

7 AM Thursday, October 19th to 8 PM Friday, October 20th

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday, October 18th from 7 AM to 6 PM

Purse seines must release all Chinook.

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, continuously through 7 PM Saturday, November 4th. All Chinook must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

Areas 10 & 11 (Seattle and Tacoma) will be open to:

Gillnets using 6 ¼ inch minimum mesh:

5 PM Thursday, October 19th to 9 AM Friday, October 20th

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday, October 18th from 7 AM to 6 PM

Purse seines must release all Chinook and coho.

Areas 12 & 12B (Hood Canal) will be open to:

Gillnets using 6 ¼ inch minimum mesh:

Thursday, October 19th from 7 AM to 8 PM

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday, October 18th from 7 AM to 6 PM

Purse seines must release all Chinook.

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