



PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

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Thursday October 26th at 4:30 p.m.

[read by: Mark Baltzell]

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 22nd 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 27th
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:

Friday, October 27th from 7 AM to midnight
Saturday, October 28th from 7AM to midnight

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Friday, October 27th from 7 AM to 6 PM
Saturday, October 28th from 7AM to 6 PM
Recovery boxes are required and purse seines must release all Chinook and coho.

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
Must release all Chinook

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

Gillnets using 5 inch minimum mesh
From 7 AM Thursday, October 26th to 8 PM Friday, October 27th

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.

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.

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