



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

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Week 35

Thursday August 24 at 4:00 p.m.

[read by: Kwasi Addae]

Area 7 and 7A sockeye 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 August 26th all areas are closed except as follows:

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

Gillnets using 7-inch minimum mesh size:

7 PM Sunday, August 26th to 8 AM Monday, August 27th.

7 PM Monday, August 27th to 8 AM Tuesday, August 28th.

7 PM Tuesday, August 28th to 8 AM Wednesday, August 29th.

7 PM Wednesday, August 29th to 8 AM Thursday August 30th.

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday August 29th from 6 AM to 8 PM.

Brailing is required and purse seines must release all coho.

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, November 3rd. 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 Monday August, 27th through Friday, August 31st.

Beach seines may only retain coho.

That portion of Area 12C within 2,000 feet of the western shore between the dock at Glen Ayr Recreational Vehicle Park and the Hoodsport Marina dock, also referred to as the Hoodsport Hatchery Zone will be open to:

Beach seines: Will be closed until further notice.

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/>