

COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACTACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 14, 2016

THE FOLLOWING SEASON WAS SET:

<i>Recommendation: 2016 Non-Indian Mainstem Commercial Late Fall Fishery</i>	
Season #1:	8 PM Sunday September 18 to 5 AM Monday September 19 (9 hours) 8 PM Thursday September 22 to 6 AM Friday September 23 (10 hours)
Area:	Zones 4-5. The deadline at the lower end of Zone 4 is defined as a straight line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore easterly through the green navigation Buoy #1 and continuing to the Washington shore.
Sanctuaries:	Washougal and Sandy Rivers
Season #2:	8 PM Wednesday September 28 to 6 AM Thursday September 29 (10 hours)
Area:	Zones 1-5
Sanctuaries:	Elokomin-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A, Lewis-A, Washougal and Sandy Rivers
The following applies to both seasons:	
Gear:	Drift gillnets only. 8-inch minimum mesh size restriction. Multiple net rule in effect: Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater. Lighted Buoys: Nets fished at any time between official sunset and official sunrise must have lighted buoys on both ends of the net unless the net is attached to the boat. If the net is attached to the boat, then a lighted buoy on the opposite end of the net is required.
Allowable Sales:	Chinook, Coho, Pink, and Sockeye salmon, and shad
Additional Rules:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240. Oregon buyers are required to electronically submit fish receiving tickets pursuant to OAR 635-006-0210. Electronic fish tickets must be submitted within 24 hours of closure of the fishing period.

Washington Quick Report requirements:

Submission of a Quick Report is not complete until the report arrives at the designated department location. Reports can be made: via fax at 360-906-6776 or 360-906-6777; via e-mail at crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov; or via phone at 1- 866-791-1281. Faxing or reporting electronically in portable document format (PDF) a copy of each fish receiving ticket used, within the previously indicated time frames specified per area, satisfies the quick reporting requirement.

- No hearings are scheduled, but the next Compact hearing could occur as early as next week.