

RCW 77.50.030 Salmon fishing gear. (1) A person shall not use, operate, or maintain a gill net which exceeds one thousand five hundred feet in length or a drag seine in the waters of the Columbia river for catching salmon.

(2) A person shall not construct, install, use, operate, or maintain within state waters a pound net, round haul net, lampara net, fish trap, fish wheel, scow fish wheel, set net, weir, or fixed appliance for catching salmon or steelhead except under the authority of a trial or experimental fishery permit, when an emerging commercial fishery has been designated allowing use of one or more of these gear types. The director must consult with the commercial fishing interests that would be affected by the trial or experimental fishery permit. The director may authorize the use of this gear for scientific investigations.

(3) The department, in coordination with the Oregon department of fish and wildlife, shall adopt rules to regulate the use of monofilament in gill net webbing on the Columbia river. [2001 c 163 s 2; 1998 c 190 s 77; 1993 sp.s. c 2 s 27; 1985 c 147 s 1; 1983 1st ex.s. c 46 s 52; 1955 c 12 s 75.12.040. Prior: 1949 c 112 s 29; Rem. Supp. 1949 s 5780-303. Formerly RCW 75.12.040.]

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