

Chapter 220-24 WAC

PACIFIC OCEAN WATERS

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WAC 220-24-010 Unlawful acts. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to possess in or transport through the waters of District No. 1 for commercial purposes any chinook salmon taken from said waters, or from the waters of the Pacific Ocean and District No. 2 during the period November 1 through April 30 of the following year and during the period June 16 through June 30, except as provided in WAC 220-24-020.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or transport through the waters of District No. 1 for commercial purposes any silver salmon taken from said waters, or from the waters of the Pacific Ocean and District No. 2 from November 1 through June 30 of the year following, except as provided in WAC 220-24-020.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any person engaged in the business of canning, packing, processing, freezing, salting, smoking, kippering, preserving in ice, or otherwise involved in dealing in or curing any food fish or shellfish, or in the wholesale selling of food fish or shellfish for commercial purposes, to have in his possession within the boundaries of the state of Washington any fresh chinook salmon during the period November 1 through April 30, of the following year and during the period June 16 through June 30: Provided, That the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to chinook salmon lawfully taken from the concurrent waters of the Columbia River, or as otherwise provided.

(4) During the period May 1 through June 14, it shall be unlawful to take, fish for or possess salmon with troll gear for commercial purposes except with single, barbless hooks except on bait hooks and artificial salmon plugs. Bait hooks must have a natural bait attached as its primary attraction while fishing. Spoons, wobblers, dodgers and flexible plastic lures must have barbless hooks. For the purpose of this regulation, a single, barbless hook is defined as a hook with one primary point and no secondary points or barbs curving or projected in any opposite direction.

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WAC 220-24-020 Lawful acts. It shall be lawful for a common or contract carrier to transport during seasons in which the taking, catching, or possession of chinook or silver salmon is unlawful in the state of Washington or in waters

over which the state of Washington has jurisdiction, an original package or packages containing either silver or chinook salmon which original package or packages both originate from and are destined for some other state, territory or foreign country: Provided, That for the purpose of this regulation the term "original package" shall mean a package from which fish cannot be extracted without an opening or breaking thereof and which is accompanied by documentary proof that the original point of shipment and the point of destination are another state, territory or foreign country: Provided further, That it shall be unlawful for any such carrier to open or break any such original package while the same is in his possession, except for the purpose of reicing: Provided further, That the waters of the Pacific Ocean shall not be considered a state, territory or foreign country.

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WAC 220-24-030 Closed areas. (1) It shall be unlawful to take fish for or possess salmon, for commercial purposes, with troll line gear within a 3 nautical mile radius of the following river mouths during the times specified

- (a) Quillayute River - May 1 to June 15
- (b) Hoh River - May 1 to September 15
- (c) Queets River - May 1 to September 15.

[Order 77-31, § 220-24-030, filed 5/11/77.]

WAC 220-24-040 All-citizen troll seasons. It is unlawful to fish for salmon with troll gear or to land salmon taken with troll gear into a Washington port except during the seasons provided for in this section.

(1) SMCRA 1, 2, 3, and that portion of Area 4 west of 125°05'00" W longitude and south of 48°23'00" N latitude open May 1, 2001, and remain open through June 30, 2001, or until the chinook quota is taken. Unlawful to retain coho. No more than 4 spreads per line beginning June 1. Cape Flattery and Columbia River Control Zones closed.

(2) SMCRA 2, 3, and that portion of Area 4 west of 125°05'00" W longitude and south of 48°23'00" N latitude open July 1, 2001, and remains open through July 27, 2001, or until the chinook or coho quotas have been taken. Unlawful to retain wild coho. Gear is restricted to plugs with a plug body length of six inches or greater, and no more than 4 spreads per line. Cape Flattery Control Zone closed.

(3) SMCRA 1 opens July 20, 2001, and remains open through September 30, 2001, or until the chinook or coho

quotas have been taken. Unlawful to retain wild coho. Columbia River Commercial Control Zone closed.

(4) SMCRA 2 south of the Queets River opens July 28, 2001 or upon closure of the fishery provided for in subsection (2) of this section, and remains open concurrent with the fishery provided for in subsection (3) of this section.

(5) In all fisheries provided for in this section, chinook minimum size 28 inches and coho minimum size 16 inches. No minimum size for pink, sockeye or chum salmon.

(6) Lawful troll gear is restricted to single point, single shank barbless hooks.

(7) It is unlawful for any fisher taking salmon north of the Queets River to fail to land the salmon north of the Queets River and west of Sekiu, or to fail to notify the department before leaving the area. Notification must be made by calling the department at 360-902-2739, and reporting the name of fisher and boat, the area fished, the day leaving the area, and the port of destination.

(8) Fishers must land and deliver their catch within 24 hours of any closure of a fishery provided for in this section, and must land within the SMCRA fished, or within an adjacent SMCRA closed to all-citizen troll fishing.

(9) The Cape Flattery Commercial Control Zone is defined as the area from Cape Flattery (48°23'00" N latitude) to the northern boundary of the U.S. EEZ; and the area from Cape Flattery south to Cape Alava, 48°10'00" N latitude and west of 125°05'00" W longitude.

(10) The Columbia River Commercial Control Zone is defined as an area at the Columbia River mouth, bounded on the west by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 (46°13'35" N. latitude, 124°06'50" W. longitude) and the green lighted Buoy #7 (46°15'09" N. latitude, 124°06'16" W. longitude); on the east, by the Buoy #10 line which bears north/south at 357° true from the south jetty at 46°14'00" N. latitude, 124°03'07" W. longitude to its intersection with the north jetty; on the north, by a line running northeast/southwest between the green lighted Buoy #7 to the tip of the north jetty (46°14'48" N. latitude, 124°05'20" W. longitude) and then along the north jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line; and, on the south, by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 and tip of the south jetty (46°14'03" N. latitude, 124°04'05" W. longitude), and then along the south jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line.

(11) Vessels intending to land their catch taken south of Cape Falcon into a Washington port must notify WDFW before traveling north of Cape Falcon by calling 360-902-2181 and report the name of the vessel, the intended port of landing, the estimated time and date of arrival and the catch aboard.

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