

**WAC 220-312-070 Statewide freshwater hook rules.** (1) It is unlawful to use more than three hooks per line to fish in freshwater, except it is lawful to use forage fish jigger gear in the waters of the Columbia River downstream from a line between Rocky Point and Tongue Point.

(2) It is unlawful to use other than one single barbless hook to fish for sturgeon.

(3) Use of gear in violation of this section is an infraction, punishable under RCW 77.15.160.

(4) It is unlawful to possess fish or shellfish taken with gear in violation of the provisions of this section. Possession of fish or shellfish while using gear in violation of the provisions of this section is a rebuttable presumption that the fish or shellfish were taken with such gear. Possession of such fish or shellfish is punishable under RCW 77.15.380 Unlawful recreational fishing in the second degree—Penalty, unless the fish or shellfish are taken in the amounts or manner to constitute a violation of RCW 77.15.370 Unlawful recreational fishing in the first degree—Penalty.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-05-112 (Order 17-04), recodified as § 220-312-070, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 10-07-105 (Order 10-64), § 220-56-123, filed 3/19/10, effective 5/1/10; WSR 06-09-021 (Order 06-67), § 220-56-123, filed 4/11/06, effective 5/12/06; WSR 06-05-085 (Order 06-23), § 220-56-123, filed 2/14/06, effective 5/1/06; WSR 05-17-007 (Order 05-168), § 220-56-123, filed 8/3/05, effective 9/3/05; WSR 04-24-030 (Order 04-306), § 220-56-123, filed 11/23/04, effective 12/24/04; WSR 01-06-036 (Order 01-24), § 220-56-123, filed 3/5/01, effective 5/1/01. Statutory Authority: 2000 c 107 § 7. WSR 00-16-091 (Order 00-134), § 220-56-123, filed 7/31/00, effective 8/31/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 75.08.080 and 77.12.040. WSR 99-15-081 (Order 99-102), § 220-56-123, filed 7/20/99, effective 8/20/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 75.08.080. WSR 94-14-069, § 220-56-123, filed 7/1/94, effective 8/1/94.]