

Puget Sound Commercial Fisheries Hotline Message **Number 8**,  
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If you need a copy of the 2010 Puget Sound Commercial Salmon Regulation pamphlet please contact (360) 902-2700 and ask for a copy or check our web site where one may be downloaded.

We have changed our web address from what is published in the pamphlet. It is now <http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/commercial/salmon/>, it contains this hotline and updated information regarding Puget Sound commercial salmon fisheries.

Fishers are reminded that Fish Friendly certification cards are required to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries. Contact (360) 902-2717 if you need to attend a workshop to get a card.

Gillnet fishers are reminded that buoy requirements, as listed on page 15 of the pamphlet, are in effect for 300 fathom drift gill nets for all openings.

**Attention all fishers Area 12A Quilcene Bay is now closed. Repeat, Area 12A is closed for the season.**

**For the week of September 26<sup>th</sup> – October 2<sup>nd</sup> all areas are currently closed except for the following:**

**Area 6D Dungeness Bay** is open to skiff gill nets using 5-inch minimum mesh size 7 AM to 7 PM daily, Monday through Friday each week continuing through Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. All Chinook and chum salmon must be released by cutting the meshes ensnaring the fish.

**Areas 7 and 7A San Juan Islands and Point Roberts** are open to reef nets 5 AM to 9 PM daily, continuously through Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. Wild Chinook, wild coho, and chum salmon must be released through Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. After September 30<sup>th</sup> all Chinook must be released. For fishers retaining hatchery Chinook, which is allowed till October 1<sup>st</sup>, immediate possession of a WDFW Logbook is also required.

**Area 7B Bellingham Bay** is open to gill nets using 5-inch minimum mesh size continuously starting 7AM Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, through 8 PM October 30<sup>th</sup>, and to purse seines using the 5-inch strip starting 7 AM Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, continuously through 6 PM October 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Area 8A Port Susan and Port Gardner** will be open to the purse seine vessels POLARLAND and JOSIE J only. Open hours are 7 AM to 7 PM Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Waters south of a line from Mukilteo Ferry dock to Clinton Ferry are closed to fishing. Chinook must be released.

**Area 8D Tulalip Bay** will be open to gill nets using 5-inch minimum mesh size during the following dates and times:

6 PM Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> to 8 AM Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>  
6 PM Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> to 8 AM Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>  
6 PM Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> to 8 AM Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Area 8D Tulalip Bay** will be open to purse seines using the 5-inch strip from 7 AM to 7 PM on Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Chinook must be released.

**Area 9A Port Gamble Bay** is open to skiff gill nets limited to 600 feet in length and 60 meshes in depth using 5-inch minimum mesh size through Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. All Chinook and chum salmon must be released by cutting the meshes ensnaring the fish.

If you suspect an error in this message or have questions please contact Jeromy Jording at (360) 902-2717. Thank you for calling the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife hotline for Puget Sound commercial fishing information.

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