



FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Columbia River Compact Joint State Action Notices Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife

June 28, 2004

THE FOLLOWING ACTION WAS TAKEN:
Treaty Indian Commercial Salmon Fishery

SEASON: 6AM Wednesday June 30, 2004 to 6PM Friday July 2, 2004 (60 Hours).

AREA: All of Zone 6.

SANCTUARIES: All standard sanctuaries in effect, except no Spring Creek Sanctuary.

GEAR: No mesh size restrictions.

ALLOWABLE SALES: Sockeye, summer chinook salmon, steelhead, walleye, carp, and shad.

The sale of Sturgeon is prohibited, but sturgeon between 4 and 5 feet in length may be kept for subsistence use only in The Dalles and John Day pools. Sturgeon between 45-60 inches in length may be kept for subsistence use only in the Bonneville pool.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES: Sale of fish caught in the platform/hook and line fishery will be allowed. Fish caught during open fishing periods in the Klickitat and White Salmon rivers tributary fisheries may be sold when the sale of platform and hook-and-line fish is allowed.

Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington wholesale dealers, WAC 220-69-240.

Quick Reporting Rule for Washington Buyers

WDFW has adopted rules that require commercial purchasers to report their landings by a specified time. This rule can be attached to any commercial season that is adopted, but is not in place unless specified. WDFW staff recommends that the "quick reporting required" clause be in place for this fishery. Washington buyers would be required to send a report of their landings to WDFW by 10AM on the day after the purchase date by either:

- a) FAX transmission to (360) 906-6776 or (360) 906-6777
- b) E-mail to crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov
- c) Telephone to 1-866-791-1281



THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:
Non-Indian Commercial Salmon Fishery

- SEASON: 6AM to 6PM Wednesday June 30, 2004 (12hours) 6AM to 6PM Friday July 2, 2004 (12 hours)
- AREA: Zones 1 -3, up to Longview Bridge
- SANCTUARIES: Grays River, Elokomín-A, Gnat Creek, and Big Creek.
- GEAR: 4 ½ inch maximum mesh size.
Single wall floater gill net.
Net length not to exceed 175 fathoms
- ALLOWABLE SALES: Sockeye, adipose fin-clipped summer chinook, adipose fin-clipped coho, shad and sturgeon.
- OTHER: All non- adipose fin-clipped chinook salmon, non-adipose fin-clipped coho salmon, and steelhead must be released immediately back into the water or into an operating live box.
- MISCELLANEOUS RULES: Soak times, defined as time elapsed from when the first mesh enters the water to when the last mesh leaves the water, shall not exceed 45 minutes.

Use of recovery boxes is required on all lethargic or bleeding salmonids.

Each vessel is required to have two operable recovery boxes or one box with two chambers. Operable recovery boxes must have a flow of 16-20 gallons per minute to the box or each chamber. Each box shall be operating during any time that the net is being retrieved or picked.

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Check hotline messages for commercial fishery updates (360) 902-2500.

The second fishing period may not occur or may be modified based on the first fishing period landings.
