

PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

2020-16 Week 43 Friday October 16

For the week beginning Sunday October 18th all areas are closed except as follows:

Area 6D (Dungeness Bay) will be open to:

Skiff gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh:

7 AM to 7 PM Daily Monday October 19 - Friday October 23 All Chinook must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

Area 7 (San Juan Islands) and 7A (Point Roberts) will be open to: Reef Nets

5 AM to 9 PM Daily: Sunday October 18 - Saturday October 24 Must release all sockeye, and Chinook.

Purse Seines - with a 5 inch strip:

7 AM to 6 PM Daily: Sunday October 18 – Saturday October 24 Brailing of catch and recovery boxes are required Must release all and Chinook and Coho

Gillnets using 6 ¼-inch minimum mesh:

7 AM to Midnight Daily: Sunday October 18 – Saturday October 24

Fishers are reminded that a department issued **Fish Friendly certification card is required** to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries

Areas 7B (Bellingham Bay) will be open to:

Gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh: Open continuously through Midnight, Saturday October 24*

Purse seines - with a 5 inch strip:

Open continuously through 6 PM, Saturday October 24

*Footnote 8 of Table 5: Puget Sound Commercial Schedule: an error in the closing dates for GN was identified as "open continuous until 10/31". <u>The corrected date is 10/24</u>

Area 9A (Port Gamble Bay) will be open to:

Skiff gillnets with nets not to exceed 600 feet in length and 60 meshes in depth using 5-inch minimum mesh, is open continuously through 7 PM Saturday, October 31. All Chinook must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

If you suspect an error in this message or if you have questions, please 360-701-2215 http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/commercial/salmon/

Areas 12 and 12B (Hood Canal) will be open to:

Gillnets using 6 ¼ inch minimum mesh:

7 AM to 8 PM Monday October 19 Thursday October 22 Must Release Coho

Purse Seines with a 5 inch strip:

7 AM to 6 PM Tuesday October 20 Must Release Coho

Please note the Hazel Point/Misery Point area is closed to ALL GEARS.