



PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

2021-09

Week 36

08/28/2021 – 4:00PM

For the beginning Sunday August 29 all areas are closed except as follows:

**Areas 7B (Bellingham Bay) will be open to:
Gillnets** using 5-inch minimum mesh size in 7B

Open 24 hours per day from
7 AM Sunday, August 29 to 7 AM Friday, September 3.
Adjusted gillnet hours:

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip

6 AM to 8 PM
Wednesday, September 1.
Brailing is required, and purse seines must release all coho.

**Area 7C (Samish Bay) will be open to:
Gillnets** using 7-inch minimum mesh size in 7C:

Open 24 hours per day from
7 AM Sunday, August 29 to 7 AM Friday, September 3.
Adjusted gillnet hours:

**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 30. All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**Area 10 Limited Participation Pink Fishery
Purse seines**

7 AM to 7 PM
Tuesday, August 31
Wednesday, September 1

Purse seines must release Chinook, coho, sockeye, and chum.
Participation limited to selected vessels.
Recovery Box, Brailing, and WDFW Observer Required.

Pink seasonal closure: Area 10 is closed north of a line from West Pt. extending west to the Sierra Golf mid-channel buoy then east of a line extending true through Pt. Wells until reaching latitude 47°44'30". Area 10 is also closed to purse seines within 500' of the eastern shore north of 47°44'30".

Area 12A (Quilcene Bay) will be open to:

Beach seines with nets not to exceed 990 feet in length and 200 meshes in depth using minimum 3-inch and maximum 4-inch mesh: Beach seines may only retain coho.

7 AM to 7 PM daily:
Monday, August 30 – Friday, September 3

Area 12C, The Hoodspout Hatchery Zone, will be open to:

Beach seines with nets not to exceed 990 feet in length and 200 meshes in depth using minimum 3-inch and maximum 4-inch mesh:

7 AM to 7 PM,
Thursday, September 2

Beach seines must release all chum.

Participation is limited to those with a department issued beach seine permit and all rules and regulations associated with that permit remain in effect.

Area 7 and 7A sockeye fisheries are controlled by the Fraser River Panel and are not posted on this hotline. Fishers should call the **National Marine Fisheries Service Hotline at 1-800-662-9825** to get opening information on Fraser Panel fisheries. Fishers are reminded that a department issued **Fish Friendly certification card is required** to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries.

If you suspect an error in this message or if you have questions, please 360-902-2677.

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/commercial/salmon/>