

## RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

## CR-103E (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.350 and 34.05.360)

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DATE: July 24, 2024 TIME: 11:14 AM

WSR 24-15-154

Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 24-137)
Effective date of rule:
Emergency Rules
☐ Immediately upon filing.
□ Later (specify) July 25, 2024
Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?
☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, explain:
<b>Purpose:</b> The purpose of this emergency rule is to open additional salmon seasons in Catch Record Card Areas 10 and 11, and to reduce the Chinook portion of the salmon daily limit in Area 11 during August and September.
Citation of rules affected by this order:
New:
Repealed:
Amended: WAC 220-313-060
Suspended:
<b>Statutory authority for adoption:</b> RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045 and 77.12.047
Other authority:
EMERGENCY RULE
Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:
☐ ■ That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health,
safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon
adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
☐ That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate
adoption of a rule.
Reasons for this finding: This emergency rule is necessary to open salmon seasons in Catch Record Card Areas 10 and 11 and to reduce the Chinook portion of the salmon daily limit in Area 11 for August and September.
Catch estimates for the Marine Area 10 summer Chinook fishery indicate that through July 21, 27% (848/3,166) of the harvest quota, and 28% of sublegal encounters (1,806/6,477) have been reached.
Catch estimates for the Marine Area 11 summer Chinook fishery indicate that through July 21, 9% of the harvest quota (315 of 3,379), and 2% of sublegal encounters (119 of 5,907) have been reached.
Based on daily catch rates, sufficient quota remains to allow additional openings of the 2024 summer Chinook seasons in Area 10 and 11.
Reducing the Chinook portion of the daily limit in August and September is needed to avoid reaching quota early in the season, possibly resulting in early closure.
There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

## Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero. No descriptive text.

Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.

A section may be counted in more than one category.

The number of sections adopted in order to comply	y with:					
Federal statute:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Federal rules or standards:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Recently enacted state statutes:	New		Amended		Repealed	
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Negotiated rule making:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Pilot rule making:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Other alternative rule making:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Date Adopted: July 24, 2024	S	ignature:				
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## NEW SECTION

WAC 220-313-06000Y Puget Sound salmon—saltwater seasons and daily limits.

Effective immediately, through September 2, 2024, salmon rules for Catch Record Card Area 10 and Catch Record Card Area 11, shall be modified as described herein. All other provisions of WAC 220-313-060 not addressed herein, or unless otherwise amended by emergency rule, remain in effect:

(1) Catch Record Card Area 10, except waters of Shilshole Bay southeast of a line from Meadow Point to West Point; waters of Elliot Bay east of a line from West Point to Alki Point; waters of Sinclair Inlet and Port Orchard south of the Manette Bridge in Bremerton, south of a line true west from Battle Point, and west of a line drawn true south from Point White; and year-round piers (Bremerton Boardwalk, Illahee State Park, Seacrest Pier, and Waterman Pier):

Salmon: Effective July 25 through 27, 2024: Daily limit 2 including no more than 1 Chinook. Release chum and wild Chinook.

- (2) Catch Record Card Area 11, except year-round piers (Des Moines Pier, Les Davis Pier, and Point Defiance Boathouse Dock):
  - (a) Effective July 25 through July 27, 2024:
    - (i) Salmon: Daily limit 2 including no more than 1 Chinook. Release chum and wild Chinook.
    - (ii) Commencement Bay (east of a line from Cliff House Restaurant to Sperry Ocean Dock): Closed to fishing for or retention of salmon.
  - (b) Effective July 28 through July 31, 2024: Salmon: Closed.
  - (c) Effective August 1 through September 30: Salmon: Daily limit 2 including no more than 1 Chinook, Release chum and wild Chinook.