



# RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

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

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DATE: October 25, 2024

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WSR 24-22-020

**Agency:** Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 24-245)

**Effective date of rule:**

**Emergency Rules**

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) October 28, 2024

**Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?**

- Yes  No If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** This emergency rule closes commercial purse seine seasons in Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting areas 10, 11, 12, and 12B the day October 28, 2024.

**Citation of rules affected by this order:**

- New:
- Repealed:
- Amended: WAC 220-354-120
- Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** 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 needed to close scheduled openings for commercial purse seine fisheries in Puget Sound Management and Catch Reporting areas 10, 11, 12, and 12B on October 28. To date, Puget Sound commercial chum catch and landings have been higher than expected. Additional time between openings is necessary to assess catch and other in-season information to determine whether additional fishery openings can be offered in these areas. 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 with:**

Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___

**The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:**

New \_\_\_\_ Amended \_\_\_\_ Repealed \_\_\_\_

**The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:**

New 1 Amended \_\_\_\_ Repealed \_\_\_\_

**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New \_\_\_\_ Amended \_\_\_\_ Repealed \_\_\_\_

**The number of sections adopted using:**

Negotiated rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Pilot rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Other alternative rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

<b>Date Adopted:</b> October 25, 2024
<b>Name:</b> Kelly Susewind
<b>Title:</b> Director

**Signature:**



NEW SECTION

**WAC 220-354-12000P Puget Sound salmon—Purse seine—Open periods.**

Effective for the day of October 28, 2024, the following provisions of WAC 220-354-120 regarding commercial purse seine open periods in Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting areas 10, 11, 12 and 12B shall be as follows. All other provisions of WAC 220-354-120 not contained herein remain in effect unless otherwise altered by emergency rule:

<b>Area(s)</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Open/Closed</b>	<b>Daily open period</b>
10, 11, 12, and 12B	10/28	Closed	NA