

A. SEASON DESCRIPTION

North of Cape Falcon

Supplementary Management Information:

1. Overall non-Indian TAC: 86,500 chinook and 145,000 marked coho.
Trade: None.
 2. Recreational TAC: 43,250 chinook and 121,800 marked coho.
 3. No Area 4B add-on fishery.
 4. Buoy 10 fishery opens Aug. 1 with an expected landed catch of marked 9,600 coho in August and 2,400 marked coho in September.
 5. All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip.
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U.S./Canada Border to Cape Alava (Neah Bay Area)

C July 1 through earlier of Sept. 18 or 12,667 marked coho subarea quota with a subarea guideline of 4,300 chinook. Tuesday through Saturday, except: there may be a conference call no later than July 27 to consider opening seven days per week. All salmon, except no chum retention August 1 through Sept. 18, two fish per day, no more than one of which may be a chinook (chinook 24-inch total length minimum size limit) (B). All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. See gear restrictions (C.2). Beginning August 1, chinook non-retention east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line (C.4.d) during Council managed ocean fishery. Inseason management may be used to sustain season length and keep harvest within the overall chinook recreational TAC for north of Cape Falcon (C.4).

Cape Alava to Queets River (La Push Area)

- C July 1 through earlier of September 18 or 3,067 marked coho subarea quota with a subarea guideline of 1,900 chinook. Tuesday through Saturday, except: there may be a conference call no later than July 27 to consider opening seven days per week.
- C Sep. 24 through Oct. 9 or 100 marked coho quota or 100 chinook quota: In the area north of 47°50'00" N. Lat. and south of 48°00'00" N. Lat. (C.5). Seven days per week.

All salmon, two fish per day, no more than one of which may be a chinook (chinook 24-inch total length minimum size limit) (B). All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin, **except inseason action may occur to consider allowing retention of all legal sized coho beginning September 24** (C.5.d). See gear restrictions (C.2). Inseason management may be used to sustain season length and keep harvest within the overall chinook recreational TAC for north of Cape Falcon (C.4).

Queets River to Leadbetter Point (Westport Area)

- June 26 through earlier of Sept. 18 or 45,066 marked coho subarea quota with a subarea guideline of 28,750 chinook. Sunday through Thursday, except: there may be a conference call no later than July 27 to consider opening seven days per week. All salmon, two fish per day, no more than one of which may be a chinook (chinook 24-inch total length minimum size limit) (B). All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3). Grays Harbor Control Zone closed (C.4.b) Inseason management may be used to sustain season length and keep harvest within the overall chinook recreational TAC for north of Cape Falcon (C.4).

Leadbetter Point to Cape Falcon (Columbia River Area)

C July 3 through earlier of Sept. 30 or 60,900 marked coho subarea quota with a subarea guideline of 8,200 chinook. Sunday through Thursday, except: there may be a conference call no later than July 27 to consider opening seven days per week. All salmon, 2 fish per day, no more than one of which may be a chinook (chinook 24-inch total length minimum size limit) (B). All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. See gear restrictions (C.2). Columbia Control Zone closed (C.4.a). Closed between Cape Falcon and Tillamook Head beginning Aug.1. Inseason management may be used to sustain season length and keep harvest within the overall chinook recreational TAC for north of Cape Falcon (C.4).

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C. REQUIREMENTS, DEFINITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, OR EXCEPTIONS (Continued)

South of Cape Falcon

Supplemental Management Information:

1. Klamath River recreational fishery allocation:15%.

Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt.

C Except as provided below during the selective fishery, the season will be March 15 through October 31 (C.6). All salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).

In 2006, the season will open March 15 for all salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1). Same gear restrictions as in 2005.

Selective fishery: Cape Falcon to OR/CA Border

- C June 18 through earlier of July 31 or a landed catch of 40,000 marked coho, except that the area south of Humbug Mt. will close July 5-31, concurrent with the KMZ season listed below.

Open seven days per week, all salmon, two fish per day (C.1). All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. Fishing in the Stonewall Bank groundfish conservation area restricted to trolling only on days the all depth recreational halibut fishery is open (see F.R. 50..., and call the halibut fishing hotline 1-800- ...for additional dates)(C.3, C.4.e). Open days may be adjusted inseason to utilize the available quota (C.5). All salmon except coho seasons reopen the earlier of August 1 or attainment of the coho quota.

Humbug Mt. to Horse Mt. (Klamath Management Zone)

- C Except as provided above during the selective fishery, the season will be May 21 through July 4; and August 14 through September 11 (C.6).

All salmon except coho, except as noted above in the coho selective fishery, chinook minimum size limit 24 inches total length. Seven days per week, two fish per day (C.1). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3). Klamath Control Zone closed in August (C.4.c). See California state regulations for additional closures adjacent to the Smith, Klamath, and Eel rivers.

Horse Mt. to Point Arena (Fort Bragg)

- C February 12 through July 10; July 16-17; July 23 through November 13.

All salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1). Chinook minimum size limit 20 inches total length (B). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).

In 2006, season opens February 18 (nearest Saturday to February 15) for all salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1), chinook minimum size limit 20 inches total length and the same gear restrictions as in 2005.

Point Arena to Pigeon Point (San Francisco)

- C April 2 through November 13.

All salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1). Chinook minimum size limit 20 inches total length (B). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).

In 2006, the season will open April 1 for all salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1), 20-inch total length minimum size limit and the same gear restrictions as in 2005.

Pigeon Point to U.S./Mexico Border (Monterey)

- C April 2 through September 25.

All salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1). Chinook minimum size limit 20 inches total length (B). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).

In 2006, the season will open April 1 for all salmon except coho. Two fish per day (C.1), chinook 20-inch total length minimum size limit and the same gear restrictions as in 2005.

B. MINIMUM SIZE (Total Length in Inches) (See C.1)

| Area (when open) | Chinook | Coho | Pink |
|--|---------|------|--------------------------|
| North of Cape Falcon | 24.0 | 16.0 | None |
| Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. | 20.0 | 16.0 | None |
| Humbug Mt. to Horse Mountain | 24.0 | - | None, except 20.0 off CA |
| Horse Mt. to U.S./Mexico Border: Beginning | 20.0 | - | 20.0 |

C. REQUIREMENTS, DEFINITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, OR EXCEPTIONS

C.1. **Compliance with Minimum Size and Other Special Restrictions:** All salmon on board a vessel must meet the minimum size or other special requirements for the area being fished and the area in which they are landed if that area is open. Salmon may be landed in an area that is closed only if they meet the minimum size or other special requirements for the area in which they were caught.

Ocean Boat Limits: Off the coast of Washington, Oregon, and California, each fisher aboard a vessel may continue to use angling gear until the combined daily limits of salmon for all licensed and juvenile anglers aboard has been attained (additional state restrictions may apply).

C.2. **Gear Restrictions:** All persons fishing for salmon, and all persons fishing from a boat with salmon on board, must meet the gear restrictions listed below for specific areas or seasons.

- a. *U.S./Canada Border to Point Conception, California:* No more than one rod may be used per angler; and single point, single shank, barbless hooks are required for all fishing gear. [Note: ODFW regulations in the state-water fishery off Tillamook Bay may allow the use of barbed hooks to be consistent with inside regulations.]
- b. *Cape Falcon, Oregon to Point Conception, California:* Anglers must use no more than two single point, single shank, barbless hooks.
- c. *Horse Mt., California to Point Conception, California:* Single point, single shank, barbless circle hooks (below) must be used if angling with bait by any means other than trolling, and no more than two such hooks shall be used. When angling with two hooks, the distance between the hooks must not exceed five inches when measured from the top of the eye of the top hook to the inner base of the curve of the lower hook, and both hooks must be permanently tied in place (hard tied). Circle hooks are not required when artificial lures are used without bait.

C.3. Gear Definitions:

- a. *Recreational fishing gear defined:* Angling tackle consisting of a line with no more than one artificial lure or natural bait attached. Off Oregon and Washington, the line must be attached to a rod and reel held by hand or closely attended; the rod and reel must be held by hand while playing a hooked fish. No person may use more than one rod and line while fishing off Oregon or Washington. Off California, the line must be attached to a rod and reel held by hand or closely attended. Weights directly attached to a line may not exceed four pounds (1.8 kg). While fishing off California north of Point Conception, no person fishing for salmon, and no person fishing from a boat with salmon on board, may use more than one rod and line. Fishing includes any activity which can reasonably be expected to result in the catching, taking, or harvesting of fish.
- b. *Trolling defined:* Angling from a boat or floating device that is making way by means of a source of power, other than drifting by means of the prevailing water current or weather conditions.
- c. *Circle hook defined:* A hook with a generally circular shape and a point which turns inward, pointing directly to the shank at a 90° angle.

C.4. Control Zone Definitions:

- a. *Columbia Control Zone:* An area at the Columbia River mouth, bounded on the west by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 (46°13'35" N. lat., 124°06'50" W. long.) and the green lighted Buoy #7 (46°15'09" N. lat., 124°06'16" W. long.); on the east, by the Buoy #10 line which bears north/south at 357° true from the south jetty at 46°14'00" N. lat., 124°03'07" W. long. to its intersection with the north jetty; on the north, by a line running northeast/southwest between the green lighted Buoy #7 to the tip of the north jetty (46°14'48" N. lat., 124°05'20" W. long. and then along the north jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line; and on the south, by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 and tip of the south jetty (46°14'03" N. lat., 124°04'05" W. long.), and then along the south jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line.
- b. *Grays Harbor Control Zone -* The area defined by a line drawn from the Westport Lighthouse (46° 53'18" N. lat., 124° 07'01" W. long.) to Buoy #2 (46° 52'42" N. lat., 124°12'42" W. long.) to Buoy #3 (46° 55'00" N. lat., 124°14'48" W. long.) to the Grays Harbor north jetty (46° 36'00" N. lat., 124°10'51" W. long.).
- c. *Klamath Control Zone:* The ocean area at the Klamath River mouth bounded on the north by 41°38'48" N. lat. (approximately six nautical miles north of the Klamath River mouth); on the west, by 124°23'00" W. long. (approximately 12 nautical miles off shore); and, on the south, by 41°26'48" N. lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles south of the Klamath River mouth).
- d. *The Bonilla-Tatoosh Line:* A line running from the western end of Cape Flattery to Tatoosh Island Lighthouse (48°23'30" N. lat., 124°44'12" W. long.) to the buoy adjacent to Duntze Rock (48°28'00" N. lat., 124°45'00" W. long.), then in a straight line to Bonilla Point (48°35'30" N. lat., 124°43'00" W. long.) on Vancouver Island, British Columbia.

TABLE 2. DRAFT **Recreational** management measures adopted by the Council for ocean salmon fisheries, 2005. (Page 4 of 4)
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C. REQUIREMENTS, DEFINITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, OR EXCEPTIONS (Continued)

- e. *Stonewall Bank Groundfish Conservation Area*: The area defined by the following coordinates in the order listed:
44° 37.46 N. lat.; 124° 24.92 W. long.;
44° 37.46 N. lat.; 124° 23.63 W. long.;
44° 28.71 N. lat.; 124° 21.80 W. long.;
44° 28.71 N. lat.; 124° 24.10 W. long.;
44° 31.42 N. lat.; 124° 25.47 W. long.;
and connecting back to 44° 37.46 N. lat.; 124° 24.92 W. long.
- C.5. Inseason Management: Regulatory modifications may become necessary inseason to meet preseason management objectives such as quotas, harvest guidelines, and season duration. In addition to standard inseason actions or modifications already noted under the season description, the following inseason guidance is provided to NMFS:
- a. Actions could include modifications to bag limits, or days open to fishing, and extensions or reductions in areas open to fishing.
 - b. Coho may be transferred inseason among recreational subareas north of Cape Falcon to help meet the recreational season duration objectives (for each subarea) after conferring with representatives of the affected ports and the SAS recreational representatives north of Cape Falcon.
 - c. Chinook and coho may be transferred between the recreational and commercial fisheries north of Cape Falcon if there is agreement among the representatives of the SAS.
 - d. If retention of unmarked coho is permitted in the area from the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, Oregon, by inseason action, the allowable coho quota will be adjusted to ensure preseason projected mortality of critical stocks is not exceeded.
- C.6. Additional Seasons in State Territorial Waters: Consistent with Council management objectives, the States of Washington and Oregon may establish limited seasons in state waters. Oregon State-water fisheries are limited to chinook salmon. Check state regulations for details.
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