

# Fisheries Enforcement Summary



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<b>THIRTEENTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT FISHERIES ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY</b>
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**Area of Responsibility (AOR):**

The AOR for the Thirteenth Coast Guard District (D13) includes the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone and adjacent high seas areas off the coasts of Oregon and Washington. Coast Guard jurisdiction also extends to the navigable waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca, Puget Sound, Columbia River and Snake River.

**Resources:**

D13 utilizes the following resources to patrol the waters of the Pacific Northwest.

***Cutters:***

USCGC ACTIVE	210' Med. Endurance Cutter	Port Angeles, WA
USCGC ALERT	210' Med. Endurance Cutter	Astoria, OR
USCGC STEADFAST	210' Med. Endurance Cutter	Astoria, OR
USCGC COWSLIP	180' Bouy Tender	Astoria, OR
USCGC ORCAS	110' Island Class Patrol Boat	Coos Bay, OR
USCGC CUTTYHUNK	110' Island Class Patrol Boat	Port Angeles, WA
USCGC OSPREY	87' Coastal Class Patrol Boat	Port Townsend, WA
USCGC ADELIE	87' Coastal Class Patrol Boat	Port Angeles, WA

\* Visiting cutters from Alaska and California may also patrol in D13 on occasion.

***Small Boat Stations:***

USCG Station Seattle	Utility Boats	Seattle, WA
USCG Station Bellingham	Utility Boats	Bellingham, WA
USCG Station Neah Bay	Motor life boats	Neah Bay, WA
USCG Station Quillayute River	Motor Life Boats	La Push, WA
USCG Station Grays Harbor	Motor Life Boats	Westport, WA
USCG Station Cape Disappointment	Motor Life Boats	Ilwaco, WA
USCG Station Portland	Utility Boats	Portland, OR
USCG Station Tillamook Bay	Motor Life Boats	Garibaldi, OR
USCG Station Yaquina Bay	Motor Life Boats	Newport, OR
USCG Station Umpqua River	Motor Life Boats	Winchester Bay, OR
USCGC Station Siuslaw River	Motor Life Boats	Florence, OR
USCG Station Coos Bay	Motor Life Boats	Charleston, OR
USCG Station Chetco River	Motor Life Boats	Brookings, OR

***Air Stations:***

Air Station Port Angeles	H-65 Helicopters	Port Angeles, WA
Air Station North Bend	H-65 Helicopters	North Bend, OR
Air Station Astoria	H-60 Helicopters	Warrenton, OR

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**  
**(January 1<sup>st</sup> – March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2001)**

**Open Fisheries:**

- Federal Groundfish
- State Dungeness Crab
- Tribal Fisheries

**Synopsis:**

- The following were D13's Living Marine Resource enforcement concerns and priorities for the quarter:
  - Prevention of border incursions across the US/CA EEZ boundary
    - Offshore from the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca
    - Internal waters in the vicinity of the Strait of Juan de Fuca and San Juan Islands
  - Federal Commercial Fisheries Enforcement
    - Groundfish: Compliance with permit and gear regulations, landing limits, no retention of prohibited species
  - Compliance with Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Act (CFIVSA) Regulations
  - Federal Recreational Fisheries Enforcement
    - Groundfish: Compliance with size and bag limits
  - State/Tribal Fisheries Enforcement
    - Commercial Dungeness Crab: Theft of crab catch and equipment, safe loading of crab pots
    - Tribal Fisheries: All crewmembers properly identified as tribal members and fishing within their Usual and Accustomed Areas
    - Compliance with Federal CFIVSA Regulations
  - Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary Regulations Enforcement

**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**  
**(April 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2001)**

**Open Fisheries:**

- Federal Groundfish
- Federal Pacific Whiting at sea processing season
- Federal Unrestricted Pacific Whiting shoreside processing
- Federal commercial Halibut (1 derby)
- Federal Commercial Salmon
- Federal Recreational Halibut
- Federal Recreational Salmon
- State Dungeness Crab and Shrimp
- Tribal Fisheries

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  - Federal Commercial Fisheries Enforcement
    - Groundfish: Compliance with permit and gear regulations, landing limits, no retention of prohibited species
    - Salmon: Compliance with permit and gear regulations, size limits, no retention of prohibited species
    - Pacific Whiting: Joint boardings with FDA, compliance with permit and gear regulations, no retention of prohibited species
    - Halibut: Compliance with permit and gear regulations and landing limits
  - Compliance with Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Act (CFIVSA )Regulations
  - Federal Recreational Fisheries Enforcement
    - Groundfish: Compliance with size and bag limits and no retention of prohibited species
    - Salmon: Compliance with size and bag limits and no retention of prohibited species
    - Halibut: Compliance with size and bag limits
  - State/Tribal Fisheries Enforcement
    - Commercial shrimp: Compliance with federal groundfish bycatch limits and bycatch reduction device regulations
    - Commercial Dungeness Crab: Theft of crab catch and equipment, safe loading of crab pots
    - Tribal Fisheries: All crewmembers properly identified as tribal members and fishing within their Usual and Accustomed Areas
    - Compliance with Federal CFIVSA Regulations
  - Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary Regulations Enforcement

**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**  
**(July 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2001)**

**Open Fisheries:**

- Federal Groundfish
- Federal Fixed Gear Sablefish Regular Season
- Federal Pacific Whiting at sea processing season
- Federal Unrestricted Pacific Whiting shoreside processing
- Federal Commercial Halibut (5 Derbies)
- Federal Commercial Salmon
- Federal Recreational Groundfish
- Federal Recreational Halibut (3 all-depth openers)
- Federal Recreational Salmon
- Federal/Tribal Fraser River Salmon
- State Dungeness Crab and Shrimp
- Albacore Tuna (See Note 1 below)

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  - Prevention of border incursions across the US/CA EEZ boundary
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    - Internal waters in the vicinity of Boundary Bay
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    - Halibut: Compliance with permit and gear regulations and landing limits
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    - Groundfish: Compliance with size and bag limits and no retention of prohibited species
    - Salmon: Compliance with size and bag limits and no retention of prohibited species
    - Halibut: Compliance with size and bag limits
  - State/Tribal Fisheries Enforcement
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    - Commercial Dungeness Crab: Theft of crab catch and equipment, safe loading of crab pots
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**4<sup>th</sup> Quarter**  
**(October 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2001)**

**Open Fisheries:**

- Federal Groundfish
- Federal Commercial Salmon
- Federal Recreational Salmon
- State Dungeness Crab
- Albacore Tuna (See Note 1 below)

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**NOTES:**

1. Although this is not currently a federally regulated fishery, D13 monitored the negotiation process between the governments of the U.S. and Canada over possible future amendments to the U.S./Canada Albacore Tuna Treaty.

**2001**  
**D13 Fisheries Law Enforcement Resource Hours**

	1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr	2001 Total
<b>Patrol Boat (82', 87', and 110')</b>	792	1,304	1,378	0	<b>3,474</b>
<b>Medium Endurance Cutter (210')</b>	41	0	626	797	<b>1,464</b>
<b>High Endurance Cutter (378')</b>	0	84	168	0	<b>252</b>
<b>Buoy Tender (180')</b>	99	187	0	0	<b>286</b>
<b>Aircraft (Helicopter &amp; Fixed Wing)</b>	137	184	190	131	<b>642</b>
<b>Total Fisheries Law Enforcement Hours</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,759</b>	<b>2,362</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>6,118</b>

**NOTE: Homeland security efforts after 9/11 resulted in a decrease in available resource hours for fisheries enforcement during the fourth quarter.**

**2001**  
**D13 Fisheries Boarding**

	1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr	2001 Total
Commercial Fishing Vessel Boardings	91	107	182	89	<b>469</b>
Recreational Fishing Vessel Boardings	5	75	86	3	<b>169</b>
<b>Total Fishing Vessel Boardings</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>638</b>

**2001**  
**D13 Detected Fisheries Violations**

	1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr	2001 Total
Federal Fisheries Violations	1	1	8	3	<b>13</b>
State Fisheries Violations	3	18	19	4	<b>44</b>
Tribal Fisheries Violations	12	0	0	0	<b>12</b>
<b>Total Fisheries Violations</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>69</b>



## D13 2001 Violation Summary

	1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr	2001 Total
<b>Federal</b>					
Catch Overage					
Undersized Net Mesh				1	1
Fishing w/ Barbed Hooks			3		3
Illegally Fishing in U.S./Can EEZ			2		2
Prohibited / Undersized Catch				1	1
No Landing Tickets On Board		1	1	1	3
Fishing for halibut closed season.			1		1
Vessel/Gear Markings (FIN)			1		1
No IPHC Permit (FIN)					
No LEP (FIN)	1				1
<b>Federal Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>State</b>					
No Commercial License/Decal	2	2	11	3	18
No Recreational License	1	10	5	1	17
Seizure for Illegal Charter *			1		1
Prohibited Species		1	1		2
Undersize Recreational Catch		1			1
Rec. Fishing In a Closed Area			1		1
Rec. Fishing w/Over One Rod		1			1
Salmon Fishing w/Barbed Hooks		3			3
<b>State Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Tribal</b>					
No Tribal Identification	8				8
Expired Tribal License	2				2
Vessel Markings	1				1
Salmon Fishing w/ Barbed Hooks	1				4
Fishing Outside U & A					1
<b>Tribal Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Overall Totals</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>69</b>

\* Illegal charter case conducted jointly with WDF&W.

## D13 Fisheries Enforcement Comparison for 1999-2001

