FILING ORGANIZATION:  LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE SEA URCHIN REGULATION FOR PUGET SOUND REGIONS.

The following regulation is promulgated by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe and shall govern the commercial sea Urchin fisheries conducted off-reservation and onsubtidal public lands by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe.

The term of this regulation is from September 1ST, 2019 through March 31, 2020 The respective regional fisheries may close prior to august 31st, 2020 if the total tribal regional harvest quota is taken.

This regulation is intended to regulate harvest by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe under provisions ofParagraph 4.6 of the U.S. Distric Court Order of August 28, 1995 (Implementation order)in U.S. v Washington, Sub-proceeding 89-3. In the event the Puget Sound Treaty Tribes and the State of Washington reach agreement and the 2019-2020 Sea Urchin Harvest Management Plan is completed before the end of this regulation term, this regulation will be superceded by a new regulation conforming to the provisions of the adopted harvest management plan.

REGULATION NUMBER:  S19-123

DATE ADOPTED:  NOVEMBER 27 2019
REGULATION  REG #S18-084, SECTION 3
REGULATION MODIFIED:  S19-113

CATCH AREAS:  SAN JUAN ISLANDS, (DISTRICT 1) MARINE FISH/SHELLFISH CATCH MANAGEMENT AREAS 20B & 22A;
                  ADMIRALTY INLET, (DISTRICT 2) MARINE FISH/SHELLFISH CATCH MANAGEMENT AREAS 23B, 25A & 25B
                  PORT ANGELES, (DISTRICT 3) MARINE FISH/SHELLFISH CATCH MANAGEMENT AREAS 23A, 23C (EAST OF LOW POINT) & 23D;
                  SEKIU, (DISTRICT 4) MARINE FISH/SHELLFISH CATCH MANAGEMENT AREAS 23C (WEST OF LOW POINT);

FISHERY TYPE:  COMMERCIAL: THIS REGULATION IS ADDING THE WORDING WE ARE REQUIRING ALL ELWHA DIVE BOATS PARTICIPATING IN THE URCHIN FISHERY TO NOTIFY OFFICER DANIEL POINT OF WHEN HARVEST FOR THE DAY IS OVER AND TIME OF ARRIVAL AT DOCKS
SPECIES: RED SEA URCHINS, GREEN SEA URCHINS

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

LEGAL GEAR: HAND HELD GEAR THAT DOES NOT PENETRATE THE SHELL. MUST HAVE IRON GATE URCHIN CALIPER IN BOARD YOUR BOAT.


DAYS/HOURS: 1) RED URCHINS DISTRICTS 2 AND 3:

   OPEN DECEMBER 3, 2019 8:00 AM TUESDAY, CLOSE 5:00 PM DECEMBER 4TH, 2019,

   OPEN TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019 8:00 AM, CLOSE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2019 5:00 PM

   OPEN TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2019 8:00 AM, CLOSE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2019 5:00 PM

2) GREEN URCHINS: DISTRICTS 1, 2, 3, AND 4

   OPEN 8:00 AM TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, CLOSE 5:00 PM THURSDAY DECEMBER 4TH 2019

   OPEN 8:00 AM TUESDAY DECEMBER 10, 2019, CLOSE 5:00 PM THURSDAY DECEMBER 12, 2019

   OPEN 8:00 AM TUESDAY DECEMBER 17, 2019, CLOSE 5:00 PM FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2019

HARVEST RESTRICTIONS: 1) AS STIPULATED IN REGULATION #S18-084, SECTION 6.

2) THE MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS FOR RED SEA URCHINS IS 3.25 INCHES, AND THE MAXIMUM SIZE LIMIT IS 5.0 INCHES, BOTH MEASUREMENTS EXCLUSIVE OF THE SPINES.
3) The minimum size limit for green sea urchins is 2.25 inches, exclusive of the spines. There is no maximum size limit.

4) Sea urchins shall not be taken from water shallower than fifteen feet below mean lower low water.

Other restrictions: As stipulated in Reg #S18-084, section 7.

Closed areas: Those waters of the San Juan Island Marine Preserves those waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca the vicinity of Low Point, as specified in regulation #S18-084, Section 4.

Catch reporting: As stipulated in Reg #S18-084, Sections 9 and 10. Catches must be recorded in harvest logs and on treaty fish receiving tickets, provided that harvesters may call catch information into the Tribal Fisheries Office in lieu of maintaining a harvest log.

Justification: Harvest the treaty red and green sea urchin quota for the 2019-20 season. Opening red & green urchins District 1, 2, 3 and 4. Please see fishery type above.

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