

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

REGULATION NUMBER: #S21-143

DATE ADOPTED: MARCH 10TH, 2022

REGULATION: REGULATION #S21-029, SECTIONS 5, 6, AND 9

REGULATION MODIFIED: S21-126

CATCH AREAS CRUSTACEAN MANAGEMENT REGION 3, DESCRIBED AS: SUB REGION 3-1 (SHELLFISH CATCH REPORTING AREAS 23A AND 23B)

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL

SPECIES: DUNGENESS CRAB

EFFECTIVE DATES: FEBRUARY 6TH THRU MARCH 31ST, 2022

AFFECTED PARTIES: THIS REGULATION APPLIES TO THE LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM FISHERS.

DAYS/HOURS: 1) SUBREGION 3-1:
OPEN: 8:00 AM SUN FEB 6TH TO
4PM MARCH 31ST 2022,
OR WHEN THE RESPECTIVE TRIBAL QUOTA
IN SUBREGION 3-1 HAS BEEN TAKEN, WHICHEVER COMES
FIRST.

LEGAL GEAR: 1) AS STIPULATED IN REGULATION #S21-029, SECTIONS 7
AND 8.
2) THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE NUMBER OF CRAB POTS OR RING
NETS COMBINED WILL BE 40 BOUY POTS PER
FISHER PER DAY.
3) LONG LINE FISHING IS NOT PERMITTED: EACH POT OR
RING NET BEING FISHED MUST HAVE A SURFACE
BOUY ATTACHED.
4) BUOY COLORS MAY BE ANY COLOR EXCEPT RED AND WHITE.
NO RED AND WHITE COMBINATION OF ANY TYPE
ARE PERMITTED. IF ANY PORTION OF THE BUOY IS RED,
NO REMAINING PORTION MAY BE WHITE. IF ANY PORTION
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PORTION MAY BE RED.

HARVEST RESTRICTIONS: 1) THE MINIMUM SIZE FOR LEGAL CRAB IS 6 1/4 INCHES,
CALIPER MEASUREMENT ACROSS THE BACK
OF THE CRAB, IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF THE TIPS.
2) ONLY MALE CRAB MAY BE TAKEN.
3) RECENTLY MOLTED, SOFT-SHELLED CRAB MAY NOT BE
TAKEN. ALL CRAB TAKEN MUST BE CHECKED
FOR SHELL HARDNESS.
4) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR FISHERS TO RETAIN AND POSSESS
ANY FEMALE, UNDERSIZED AND SOFT-SHELLED
DUNGENESS CRABS. ALL
FEMALE, UNDERSIZED AND SOFT-SHELLED DUNGENESS
CRABS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE WATER UNHARMED.

CLOSED AREAS:

AS PER REGULATION #S21-029, SECTION 6.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS:

- 1) AS PER REGULATION #S21-029, SECTION 11.
- 2) IT IS UNLAWFUL TO REMOVE FROM THE WATER OR TAMPER WITH ANOTHER FISHER'S CRAB GEAR. ANY CRAB GEAR FOUND WITHOUT LEGIBLE IDENTIFICATION MARKINGS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE FISHERS WISHING TO TEND THE GEAR OF ANOTHER FISHER ON A TEMPORARY BASIS MUST OBTAIN A GEAR-TENDING PERMIT SPECIFIC TO THAT FISHER, FROM THEIR TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE. TRIBAL FISHERIES STAFF MAY DECLINE REQUESTS FOR PERMITS. PERMITS WILL BE VALID FOR A LIMITED PERIOD OF TIME. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS AVAILBLE FROM THE RESPECTIVE TRIBAL FISHERIES STAFF.
- 4) BUOY TAGS ARE REQUIRED ON ALL CRAB POTS AND RING NETS USED FOR SUBSISTENCE FISHING, WHETHER GEAR IS ATTENDED OR NOT. TAGS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICES.
IN CATCH AREAS OF REGION 3 OPEN FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING OR IN CATCH AREAS OF REGION 3 ADJACENT TO THOSE OPEN FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING.
- 5) FISHERS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN COMMERCIAL OPENINGS IN REGIONS 1 OR 2W ARE NOT PERMITTED TO FISH FOR SUBSISTENCE CRAB IN CATCH AREAS OF ADJACENT TO THOSE OPEN FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING.
- 6) ALL COMMERCIAL FISHERS ARE ALLOWED TO TAKE HOME CRAB FROM THEIR COMMERCIAL CATCH. ANY TAKE HOME CATCH MUST BE REPORTED ON TREATY INDIAN FISH RECEIVING TICKETS.
- 8) LOST GEAR MUST BE REPORTED TO ENFORCEMENT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DAILY SUBSISTENCE FISHING AND A LOST POT FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN THE SUBSEQUENT 24 HOURS.

CATCH REPORTING:

ALL SUBSISTENCE CRAB HARVEST SHALL BE REPORTED ON SHELLFISH SUBSISTENCE CARDS. CARDS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE. SUBSISTENCE FISHERS MUST HAVE SUBSISTENCE CARDS ON THEIR PERSON WHEN FISHING. COMMERCIAL TICKETS FROM BUYERS AND FISHERS MUST BE TURNED IN WITHIN 5 DAYS.

JUSTIFICATION:

COMMENCE COMMERCIAL CRAB FISHING IN REGION 3.
EXTENSION OF FISHERY

(LOWER ELWHA FISHERIES
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