

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

The following regulation is promulgated by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe and shall govern the conduct of off-reservation commercial Dungeness crab fisheries. The term of this regulation is from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022, unless superceded, and is intended to regulate the Dungeness crab harvest by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe in Region 5 under provisions of Paragraph 4.6 of United States v. Washington, 898 F. supp. 1453 (W.D. Wash. 1995), as amended by the Stipulation and Order Amending Shellfish Implementation Plan, dated April 8, 2002, (hereafter "Implementation Order"). In the event the Region 3 Crab Harvest Management Plan is completed before the end of this regulation term, this regulation will be superceded by a new regulation conforming to the provisions of the Region 3 Crab Harvest Management Plan.

REGULATION NUMBER: S21-062

DATE ADOPTED: AUGUST 20, 2021

REGULATION(S) REG. #S21-029, SECTIONS 5 AND 7.

SUPERSEDED/MODIFIED S21-060

CATCH AREAS: CRUSTACEAN MANAGEMENT REGION 3,
DESCRIBED AS:
SUBREGION 3-2 (CATCH REPORTING AREAS 25A,
25E, AND 23D).

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL

SPECIES: DUNGENESS CRAB

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

EFFECTIVE DATES: AUGUST 11 THROUGH AUGUST 30TH, 2021

DAYS/HOURS: OPEN 8:00 AM WEDNESDAY, AUG 11TH, 2021

CLOSE 7:00 PM Monday AUG 30TH, 2021

POTS MAY ONLY BE CHECKED FROM ONE HOUR
BEFORE SUNRISE TO ONE HOUR AFTER SUNSET
EACH DAY.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS: AS PER REG. #S21-029, ADDITIONALLY:

1. POT LIMITS FOR EACH OF THE CATCH AREAS ARE AS FOLLOWS (POTS PER VESSEL IMPLIES NO MORE THAN ONE VESSEL PER FISHER):
 - A) FOR ALL OF SUBREGION 3-2, A TOTAL OF 50 POTS PER VESSEL FOR ALL AREAS COMBINED;
 - B) FOR 25A, 50 POTS PER VESSEL, INCLUDING DUNGENESS AND SEQUIM BAYS;
 - C) FOR INNER DUNGENESS BAY (ALL WATERS OF DUNGENESS BAY WEST OF THE 123 DEGREES 6.50 MINUTES LONGITUDE LINE FROM THE NEW DUNGENESS LIGHT- 25 POTS PER VESSEL.
 - D) FOR SEQUIM BAY (ALL WATERS OF SEQUIM BAY SOUTH OF A LINE TRUE WEST FROM TRAVIS SPIT TO THE MILLER PENINSULA): 10 POTS PER VESSEL.

E) FOR DISCOVERY BAY (AREA 25E, EXCLUDING ALL WATERS SOUTH OF A LINE FROM CONTRACTORS POINT TO TUKEY POINT): 10 POTS PER VESSEL

2. BUOY COLORS MAY BE ANY COLOR EXCEPT RED AND WHITE. NO RED AND WHITE COMBINATION OF ANY TYPE IS PERMITTED.
IF ANY PORTION OF THE BUOY IS RED, NO REMAINING PORTION MAY BE WHITE. IF ANY PORTION OF THE BUOY IS WHITE, NO REMAINING PORTION MAY BE RED.
3. LONGLINE FISHING IS PERMITTED. A MAXIMUM OF 5 POTS PER LONGLINE IS ALLOWED, PROVIDED THAT EACH LONGLINE HAS AT LEAST ONE BUOY ATTACHED THAT CONFORMS WITH THE BUOY REQUIREMENTS OF REGULATION #S21-029, SECTION 7.
BUOYS MUST REMAIN FLOATING AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT DURING EXTREME TIDES. BUOYS WILL BE MARKED WITH THE TRIBE'S INITIALS (LEK) AND WITH THE FISHER'S ID NUMBER. BUOY LINES WILL BE WEIGHTED TO KEEP THE LINES FROM FLOATING.
4. ALL COMMERCIAL CATCHES SHALL BE REPORTED ON TREATY INDIAN FISH TICKETS EITHER AS COMMERCIALY SOLD OR COMMERCIALY CAUGHT TAKE HOME, AS SPECIFIED IN THE TRIBAL FISHERIES ORDINANCE. CRAB NOT SOLD OR TAKEN HOME WILL BE REPORTED ON THE FISH TICKET AS SPECIES CODE 20-561.

HARVEST RESTRICTIONS:

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 INTO THE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE OR FISHERIES ENFORCEMENT.
FISHERS WISHING TO TEND THE GEAR OF ANOTHER FISHER ON A TEMPORARY BASIS MUST OBTAIN A GEAR-TENDING PERMIT SPECIFIC TO THAT FISHER FROM THE FISHERIES OFFICE.

JUSTIFICATION: HARVEST THE TREATY SHARE OF THE AVAILABLE CRAB RESOURCE IN STRAIT REGION 3-2.

EXTENDING THE FISHERY AGAIN DUE TO WEATHER

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