

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

4.6 SHRIMP REGULATION FOR REGION 2W

The following regulation is promulgated by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Treaty Council and shall govern the commercial shrimp fisheries conducted off-reservation and on subtidal public lands by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, The term of this regulation is from May 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027, and is intended to regulate harvest by these member Tribes in shrimp management region 1 under provisions of Paragraph 4.6 of the U.S. District Court Order of August 28, 1995 (Implementation Order) in U.S. v Washington, Sub-proceeding 89-3. In the event the region 1 shrimp management plan is completed before the end of this regulation term, this regulation will be superseded by a new regulation conforming to the provisions of the region 2W shrimp harvest management plan.

REGULATION NUMBER: S26-015

DATE ADOPTED: APRIL 30,2026

REGULATION MODIFIED: #S26-005, SECTION 3

REGULATION SUPERCEDED: NONE

CATCH AREAS: SHRIMP MANAGEMENT REGION 2-WEST,25D, 25B, 25C,26AW

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL AND SUBSISTENCE

SPECIES: NON-SPOT SHRIMP; COONSTRIPE, SIDESTRIPE, HUMPBACK SHRIMP

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

EFFECTIVE DATE: MAY 1ST THRU OCT 15TH, 2026

DAYS/HOURS: OPENING 5:00 AM FRIDAY MAY 1ST
TO 5:00PM THURSDAY OCT 15TH 2026, OR UNTIL THE
TREATY SHARE FOR NON-SPOT SHRIMP IN 2 WEST HAS BEEN
TAKEN, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST.
POTS MAY ONLY BE CHECKED FROM ONE HOUR BEFORE
SUNRISE TO ONE HOUR AFTER SUNSET EACH DAY.

LEGAL GEAR: AS PER REG. #S26-005, SECTION 5

1. THE MAXIMUM TOTAL NUMBER OF POTS AND/OR RING NETS COMBINED PER VESSEL IN THIS FISHERY WILL BE 100 POTS.
2. ALL POTS AND RING NETS SHALL HAVE BUOYS ATTACHED. BUOYS MAY BE ANY COLOR EXCEPT YELLOW OR ANY COMBINATION OF RED AND WHITE. BUOYS MUST REMAIN FLOATING AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT DURING EXTREME TIDES.
BUOYS WILL ALSO BE MARKED WITH THE TRIBE'S INITIALS AND WITH THE FISHER'S ID NUMBER.
BUOY LINES WILL BE WEIGHTED TO KEEP THE LINES FROM FLOATING.
3. THERE IS NO MINIMUM MESH SIZE FOR SHRIMP POTS AND RING NETS FISHING FOR NON-SPOT SHRIMP, AND THERE IS NO MINIMUM MESH SIZE FOR ENTRY TUNNELS, BUT TUNNELS CAN ONLY BE LOCATED ON THE SIDES OF THE POTS.

HARVEST RISTRCTIONS:

1. THE TRIBAL QUOTA FOR NON SPOT SHRIMP IN REGION 2 WEST IS 6,000 LBS.
2. THIS FISHERY WILL CLOSE PRIOR TO OCTOBER 15TH IF THE TRIBAL QUOTA HAS BEEN TAKEN.
3. COMMERCIAL AND SUBSISTENCE NON-SPOT POT FISHERIES IN REGION 2 WEST HAVE A MAXIMUM GEAR DEPTH RESTRICTION OF 150 FEET UNLESS THERE IS A CONCURRENT SPOT SHRIMP OPENING. THERE IS NO DEPTH RESTRICTION FOR NON-SPOT HARVEST IF REGION 2 WEST IS ALSO OPEN FOR SPOT SHRIMP.
4. THE DAILY SUBSISTENCE HARVEST LIMIT IS 20 LBS PER FISHER. ALL FISHERS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THIS FISHERY WITH THE FISHERIES OFFICE BEFORE PARTICIPATING.

HARVEST REPORTING:

1. AS PER REGULATION #S26-005 SECTION 8.
2. ALL DAILY HARVEST INFORMATION WILL BE REPORTED TO THE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE WITHIN 24 HOURS OF EACH HARVEST. HARVEST INFO SHALL INCLUDE THE DATE, VESSEL NAME, NUMBER OF POTS, MESH SIZE, POT SOAK TIMES, CATCH AREA, LOCATION FISHED, POUNDS LANDED BY SPEICES AND TOTAL POUNDS LANDED. HARVEST INFORMATION WILL BE UPLOADED ON THE NWIFC TICKET DATABASE WITHIN 7 DAYS OF REPORTING.
3. ALL COMMERCIAL CATCHES SHALL BE REPORTED ON TREATY INDIAN FISH RECIEVING TICKETS AS SPECIFIED IN TRIBAL FISHERIES ORDINANCE. ALSO, ALL COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT LANDINGS MUST BE RECORDED ON RECIEVING TICKETS AS A WHOLE WEIGHT.

JUSTIFICATION:

COMMENCE HARVEST OF THE TREATY SHARE OF NON-SPOT SHRIMP IN REGION 2W.

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