

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

4.6 SHRIMP REGULATION FOR REGION 3

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 March 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 3 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this regulation term, this regulation will be superseded by a new regulation conforming to the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 3 management plan.

REGULATION NUMBER: S26-018

DATE ADOPTED: MAY 12, 2026

REGULATION(S) REG. #S26-005, SECTION 3,
SUPERSEDED/MODIFIED NONE; #S26-009

CATCH AREAS: SHRIMP MANAGEMENT REGION 3, AREAS 23A-SOUTH, 23D

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL

SPECIES: SPOT SHRIMP

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

EFFECTIVE DATES: MAY 15TH 2026 THRU SEPTEMBER 15TH 2026

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DAYS/HOURS: FOR THE LOWER ELWHA TRIBE ONLY, THE FISHERY WILL OPEN 6:00 AM FRIDAY, MAY 15TH AND REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 6:00PM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, OR UNTIL THE TRIBAL SHARES HARVEST HAS BEEN TAKEN, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST

1) FOR AREAS 23A-SOUTH AND 23D: OPEN DAYLIGHT HOURS ONLY

2) THE SETTING AND PULLING OF POTS IS ALLOWED ONE HOUR BEFORE SUSET TO ONE HOUR AFTER SUNSET.

LEGAL GEAR: SHRIMP POTS, RING NETS, AND HAND DIP NETS AS PER REG. #S26-005,

1. THE MAXIMUM TOTAL NUMBER OF POTS AND/OR RING NET COMBINED PER VESSEL IN THIS FISHERY WILL BE 40 POTS IN AREAS 23A-SOUTH AND AREA 23D COMBINED.
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. THE MINIMUM MESH SIZE FOR SHRIMP POTS AND RING NETS IS ONE INCH, AS DEFINED IN REGULATION #S26-005, EXCEPT FOR FLEXIBLE (WEB) MESH POTS, FOR WHICH THE MESH MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 1 3/4 INCH STRETCH MEASURE. THERE IS NO MINIMUM MESH SIZE FOR ENTRY TUNNELS, BUT TUNNELS CAN ONLY BE LOCATED ON THE SIDES OF THE POTS.

HARVEST RISTRICCTIONS:

1. FISHERS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THIS FISHERY WITH THE ELWHA TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE BEFORE PARTICIPATING IN THE FISHERY. FISHERS MAY NOT FISH IN ANY REGION 3 SUB-AREA OTHER THAN THOSE THAT ARE LISTED IN THIS REGULATION.
2. FISHERS MUST PROVIDE 24 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE TO THE ELWHA TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING IN THIS OPENING.
3. FISHERS MUST REPORT THEIR CATCH TO THE ELWHA TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE UPON LANDING. ALL FISHER'S MUST CALL IN THEIR CATCH DAILY.
4. ALL COMMERCIAL CATCHES SHALL BE REPORTED ON TREATY INDIAN FISH RECEIVING TICKETS AS SPECIFIED IN TRIBAL FISHERIES ORDINANCE. ALSO, ALL COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT LANDINGS MUST BE RECORDED ON RECEIVING TICKETS AS A WHOLE WEIGHT.

JUSTIFICATION: HARVEST OF THE TREATY SHARE OF 2,833 POUNDS OF SPOT SHRIMP IN THE DESIGNATED AREAS OF REGION 3

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