

QUINULT INDIAN NATION
2016 FISHING, BOATING AND USE REGULATION

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**QUINAULT INDIAN NATION
LAKE QUINAULT
2016 FISHING, BOATING and USE REGULATION**

Lake Quinault is located within the boundaries of the Quinault Indian Reservation and is owned up to the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM) entirely by the Quinault Indian Nation (QIN); all persons who enter onto Lake Quinault, within the boundaries of the OHWM, are required to conform to Quinault tribal laws. Violators who resist or refuse to obey will be subject to confiscation of all gear and boats and enforcement under the Quinault Tribal Code in the Quinault Tribal Court at Taholah.

Protection and restoration of natural habitats in Lake Quinault are priority policy objectives of QIN and forms a central theme for the Nation's environmental regulations and guidelines. QIN also wants to allow uses of the Lake for the enjoyment of its members, neighbors and visitors that are compatible with these objectives. From this perspective QIN is developing a comprehensive management and regulatory package to govern protection, restoration and uses of the Lake. In the interim, while the comprehensive package is developed, QIN will allow some restricted uses and activities on the Lake. The uses and limitations are as described in these provisions:

1. This regulation is effective for one year or until the QIN adopts comprehensive management and regulatory statutes to govern protection, restoration and uses of Lake Quinault, whichever occurs first.
2. Lake Quinault is defined as the bed and waters of the Lake up to and including the ordinary high water mark (OHWM). Exposed beaches above the wetted perimeter and below the OHWM are included.
3. Over-water structures, as used in this regulation, means any object over, on or within the waters of Lake Quinault constructed or assembled by any persons. These objects include, but are not limited to, docks, platforms, piers, walkways, boat houses, boats and booms.
4. For purposes of this regulation, "boat" means any vessel authorized by QIN for use on the Lake. Such vessels shall include boats, skiffs, dories, canoes, kayaks, paddle or surf boards, and rafts.
5. For purposes of this regulation, "boating" means the use of any permitted vessel propelled on water by paddle, oars, sails, motor or engine, including but not limited to canoes, kayaks, paddle or surf boards, and rafts.
6. Existing over-water structures present within Lake Quinault on April 22, 2016 are hereby authorized to remain without an individual permit for one year.
7. Entry onto the Lake to access over-water structures for authorized and/or permitted purposes is hereby authorized for one year.
8. Swimming, wading, walking, or simply being present on the Lake are hereby authorized without specific permits for. Use of items commonly associated with swimming such as

inner tubes, inflatable mattresses, and the like are not considered to be “boats” and are allowed for use during swimming activities.

9. The following uses require a permit to be obtained from QIN through its Division of Natural Resources (QDNR): fishing; water withdrawals; discharge into the Lake of any liquid or solid material including bilge materials from boats; vegetation maintenance within the Lake; removal of wood or other objects from the area below the OHWM; placement or removal of fill or any solid material below the OWHM; constructing, repairing or maintaining a dock or other over-water structure; boating with the use of a certified boat.
10. The Director of the Quinault Division of Natural Resources shall develop a 2016 fee schedule (attached) for fishing and boating use on Lake Quinault of which required fees shall be paid prior to the use of the lake.
11. Boating on Lake Quinault is authorized until closed by the QIN under the following conditions;
 - a. Only certified boats will be allowed on the Lake.
 - b. “Certified boat” is defined as a boat that has been certified by QDNR to be free of invasive species and has not left the Quinault River system since certification. Once a boat leaves the Quinault River system it is classified as “non-certified”. Quinault River system means the Quinault River upstream and downstream of Lake Quinault,
 - c. Certified boats must display a current QIN decal indicating it is certified by QDNR to be on Lake Quinault.
 - d. Discharging bilge water from boats, by any means, is strictly prohibited.
 - e. Boats powered by internal combustion engines may be used only during the open fishing season and times unless permitted otherwise. They are banned during periods the Lake is closed to fishing both daily and seasonally.
 - f. Maximum boat speed allowed on Lake Quinault is 25 mph, except boat speed within 100 yards of the wetted shoreline may not exceed 5 mph.
 - g. Boats cannot be used for towing recreational devices such as water skiing, wakeboarding and inner tubes.
 - h. Some vessels with water-jet drives are not allowed on the Lake. These vessels include jet skis and wetbikes. Recreational boats powered by jet pumps used for fishing and sight-seeing that transport people for this purpose are allowed on the lake during the fishing season.
 - i. Aircraft are not allowed on Lake Quinault.
 - j. Special permits must be obtained from the Quinault Business Committee for boat racing or any other activities which require boat speeds in excess of 25 mph.
12. Sport fishing will be allowed on Lake Quinault beginning Saturday, April 23, 2016 and will close at 7:00 pm on October 30, 2016.
 - a. Only daylight fishing is allowed. Fishing is prohibited from one hour after the official time of sunset to one hour before the official time of sunrise. See appended table for official times.

- b. Each person not a member of QIN must obtain a fishing permit from QIN or its agent acting for this purpose. A valid permit must be carried by each permitted person while engaged in fishing activities on the Lake. Indian persons not members of QIN must also obtain a fishing permit.
 - c. Fishing gear is limited to hook-and-line and bow-and-arrow gear. The bow-and-arrow gear can only be used to capture carp.
 - d. No more than one pole or line is allowed per person. Only one hook, lure, fly, plug or arrow is allowed per line. Only single-point hooks are allowed; no double or treble hooks.
 - e. Lures such as spinners, spoons, and flashers are limited to two blades, each blade not more than 2 inches by 3 inches in dimensions and one single-point hook.
 - f. Fishing gear within a boat operating on Lake Quinault or in possession of a person fishing on Lake Quinault must be limited to the types and characteristics authorized by this regulation. Salmon fishing gear is prohibited.
 - g. Fishing for and/or possession of all salmon, including steelhead greater than 16-inches fork length (fork length is measured from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail) and blueback salmon are strictly prohibited.
 - h. The Lake within 200 yards of the mouth of the Upper Quinault River is closed to fishing after July 31, 2016.
 - i. Scattering of feed or other materials (chumming), or the use of light, to attract fish is prohibited.
 - j. Use of live bait is allowed as follows:
 - i. Using live fish for bait is prohibited.
 - ii. Live aquatic animals, other than fish (e.g. snails, insect larvae), can be used for bait but they must be live aquatic animals from the Quinault River System.
 - iii. Live terrestrial organisms such as worms, insects and snails can be used as bait.
 - k. Daily fish catch and possession limits (bag limits) for Lake Quinault are as follows:
 - i. Salmon fishing and/or possession is prohibited, including steelhead-rainbow trout greater than 16-inches fork length;
 - ii. Sixteen (16) fish greater than 7-inches fork length of which not more than four (4) can be native char (Dolly Varden);
 - iii. Rainbow Trout must be greater than 7 inches and less than 16-inches fork length;
 - iv. There are no catch and/or possession limits for carp and Peamouth;
13. Any persons participating in fishing and other authorized activities have agreed, by their presence on the Lake and/or acquisition of appropriate permits, to allow inspections of their fishing gear, boats, over-water structures and fish in possession, and seizure of

unlawfully possessed gear or fish, by QIN enforcement officers and natural resources staff.

14. These regulations do not apply to QIN staff, including public safety, resource protection and natural resources personnel, when in the performance of their normal work duties. These regulations apply to any QIN contractors, research collaborators, or any other entity performing work or activities under QIN authorization unless specifically permitted/waived by QDNR.
15. The Quinault Business Committee reserves the right to authorize additional specific activities or permit other specific activities and will do so through resolution adoption.

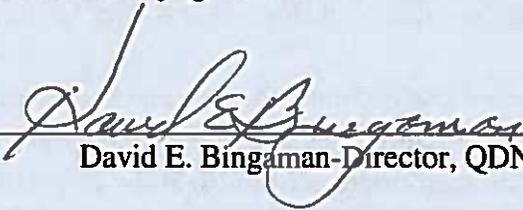
Observation of violation of these regulations can be reported to Quinault Nation Safety Services dispatch at **360 276-4422**.

Appendix Table of times designated for daily open fishing periods in 2016.

CALENDAR PERIOD START DATE	CALENDAR PERIOD END DATE	DAILY OPENING TIME	DAILY CLOSING TIME
April 23	MAY 8	5:00am	9:30pm
MAY 9	MAY 15	4:30am	9:30pm
MAY 16	JULY 24	4:30am	10:00pm
JULY 25	AUGUST 14	5:00am	9:30pm
AUGUST 15	AUGUST 28	5:30am	8:30pm
AUGUST 29	SEPTEMBER 11	6:00am	8:00pm
SEPTEMBER 12	OCTOBER 2	6:30am	7:30pm
OCTOBER 3	OCTOBER 30	7:00am	7:00pm

Times are Pacific Daylight Time

Signed


David E. Bingaman-Director, QDNR

Date

4/15/2016

2016 Lake Quinault Boating Use Fee Schedule

For purposes of this schedule, "boating" means the use of any permitted vessel propelled on water by paddle, oars, sails, motor or engine, including but not limited to boats, skiffs, dories, canoes, kayaks, paddle or surf boards, and rafts. Some vessels with water-jet drives are not allowed on the Lake. These vessels include jet skis and wet bikes. Jet-boats are allowed on the lake as noted in the regulations. Use of items commonly associated with swimming such as inner tubes, inflatable mattresses, and the like are not considered to be "boats" and are allowed for use during swimming activities.

There are two different colored boat decals that will be issued: one denoting boats that are only used within the Quinault River system (lower-river, upper-river and lake) and classified as "resident boats", and those that are used in other systems, including Lake Quinault, and will be classified as "transient boats". Transient boats must undergo a rigorous boat inspection to be allowed on the Lake.

Annual Fees

Canoes, kayaks, paddle or surf boards, rafts and the like, and other non-motorized boats (sail & row boats) under 8 feet in length.

Non-commercial- \$15.00 for first boat owned and \$5.00 for each additional.

Commercial- \$15.00 for each boat, no break for additional boats owned

Boats 8 feet in length or longer, including sail boats, electric or internal combustion powered, except non-motorized canoes, kayaks, paddle or surf boards and the like.

Non-Commercial- \$20.00 for each boat.

Commercial- \$20.00 for each boat

Multi-passenger commercial tour boats

\$100.00 for each boat

Multi-passenger pontoon boats, or similar, not used for commercial purposes shall pay the rate of a regular non-commercial use boat of \$20.00.

Any boat classified as a "resident boat" that is removed from the Quinault River system (upper river, lower river and lake) and used in another body of water, must be re-inspected prior to entry into the Quinault River system and is subject to prevailing charge for inspection and loses its "resident" status.

2016 Lake Quinault Fishing Permits

Fishing permits are available to fish in Lake Quinault.

Annual Fishing permit is \$35, which is good for the annual regulated fishing season on the lake.

Short-term permits are also available. Base cost for a 3 consecutive-day permit is \$10. Additional days can be added at \$2.00 for each additional consecutive day. Therefore-

<u>Days</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3	\$10
4	\$12
5	\$14
6	\$16
7	\$18
8	\$20
9	\$22
10	\$24
11	\$26
12	\$28
13	\$30
14	\$32
16	\$34

Lake Quinault Boat Use Procedure

Resident Boats-

Resident boats are defined as boats only used on Lake Quinault and never used on any other body of water. They do not need to be stored at Lake Quinault, but owner must affirm, through the Declaration, that they have not and will not be used at other locations without informing QIN of such prior to re-entry into Lake Quinault. Resident boats will be sold a decal denoting them as Resident Boats.

Procedure-

- Resident boat owners will be reviewed to determine their boats qualify for resident boat status.
- The boat owner/operator will be required to sign a Declaration declaring the boat will only be used on Lake Quinault.
- Once Declaration is signed, owner/operator is authorized to purchase a Resident Decal for the boat.

Non-Resident (transient) Boats-

Non-resident boats are those that are, or have been, used on other water bodies, either within the state of Washington or outside. Non-resident boats must be inspected prior to entering Lake Quinault. The boat inspectors will ask questions concerning the prior location and use of the boat. If the boat has been out of state or in other high risk locations, the boat will be denied access to Lake Quinault until it is inspected and declared "clean" by authorized and qualified inspectors. At this time, the only authorized inspectors for this purpose are those trained and certified Level 2 inspectors of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Procedure-

- Non-resident boats will be required to undergo an inspection procedure prior to entry into Lake Quinault. Depending upon conditions found during the inspection procedure, they may be denied access to the Lake.
- If denied access to the Lake, the boat owner/operator will be informed why access is denied and what remedies are available to gain access to the Lake.
- If the boat is allowed access to the Lake, the owner will be provided a document stating they are allowed access, which will show permission to purchase a non-resident decal for the boat.

- **If a non-resident decal has been previously purchased for the current year, the boat must still go through an inspection procedure prior to each expected entry into the Lake. If the inspection procedure allows access to the Lake, the boat may enter the water. If the inspection procedure denies access, the boat must follow prescribed procedures prior to entry into the Lake, even though a non-resident decal has been prior purchased.**

Boats denied access to Lake Quinault can be inspected by Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife inspectors to determine if they qualify as decontaminated and invasive free. With proof of inspection and clearance, they can be provided access to Lake Quinault. The nearest inspection station to Lake Quinault is located at the WDFW regional office in Montesano. However, an appointment is needed to get a boat inspection. They may be contacted at 360 249-4628. For further information about aquatic invasive species and boat inspections, the WDFW Aquatic Invasive Species Unit may be contacted at 360 902-2724.

QIN Boat Decal Numbers:

Date Approved:

Inspector:

DECLARATION REGARDING PREVENTION OF INVASIVE SPECIES INTO LAKE QUINAULT

I declare as follows:

1. I am a legal owner of property abutting or near Lake Quinault, Washington, address:

2. I understand the serious implications of the spread of certain invasive species, such as , New Zealand mud snails, quagga and zebra mussels, knotweed and Brazilian elodea, and that such species can cause extensive environmental and economic damage that could include a decline in fisheries and costly management practices.

3. I understand that such invasive species can be transported by watercraft and recreational equipment, boat trailers, and recreational accessories (boots, paddles, etc.).

4. I am the legal owner of the following boats (include type, make, model, hull serial #, registration #, brief description, if applicable): (attach pictures if available and indicate if used for commercial purposes)

5. The above-identified boat(s) has only been used in Lake Quinault or the Quinault River within the last 6 months.

6. If I use the above-identified boat(s) in waters other than Lake Quinault or the Quinault River, I will not reintroduce that boat(s) into Lake Quinault or Quinault River waters until it is cleaned and inspected by the Quinault Indian Nation or their authorized inspectors.

7. By signing this and displaying the required sticker on my watercraft(s), I agree with the statements above and pledge to be informed on aquatic invasive species and to help keep invasive species out of Lake Quinault and Quinault River waters.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2016, in _____, WA.

Printed Name:

Mailing Address:

Telephone Number:

Signature