

Quinault Indian Nation

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REGULATION 2017 -02 2017 Quinault All-Species Troll Regulation June 23, 2017

Opening Date: The ocean waters in the area described below shall be open for the harvest of Chinook and Coho salmon by authorized Quinault tribal fishers commencing at 12:01 A.M. on July 1, 2017 through September 15, 2017.

Opening Restrictions: All halibut, Blackcod or other marine fish species caught incidental to salmon trolling are governed by separate regulations.

Closing Date: The Quinault Nation's commercial chinook salmon troll fishery shall close at 11:59 P.M., September 15, 2017, or upon projected attainment of either the July/September Chinook sub-quota or the Coho quota, harvested by members of the Quinault Indian Nation, Hoh Indian Tribe, Quileute Indian Tribe, Makah Indian Tribe and S'Klallam tribes.

Area: The area open to fishing by authorized members of the Quinault Indian Nation are those portions of the Pacific Ocean between Point Chehalis (46°53'18" N.) and Destruction Island (47°40'06" N.), and east of (125°08'30" W). Closed Areas: The area within a 6 nautical mile radius of the mouths of the Queets River (47°31'42"N) and Hoh River (47°45'12"N) will be closed to commercial fishing. A closure is also in effect within a 2-mile radius of the mouth of the Quinault River.

Size Limits: Minimum commercial harvestable sizes shall be 24" total length for Chinook and 16" total length for Coho. Release of Chinook and Coho that meet these minimum size limits is prohibited.

Salmon Ceremonial and Subsistence Bag Limits: There is no limit on the number of salmon that may be retained for personal use. All C&S fish must be declared on fish tickets.

Gear: The federal regulations governing commercial trolling gear shall be followed and are hereby incorporated into this regulation by reference. All gear and lures shall comply with either the commercial gear regulations adopted by the Secretary of Commerce or by pole sport gear. Nothing herein is intended as a grant of jurisdiction to the United States to enforce gear regulations which will be enforced solely in the Quinault Tribal Court. Each Quinault vessel shall be limited to no more than eight (8) lines. More than one sport pole gear may be operated by one fisherman and such sport poles may be placed in pole holders. Barbless hooks are required on all gear. Salmon may be harvested with hook and line gear only. Harvest of salmon with pots, traps, trawls, nets, or any method other than with hook and line gear is hereby prohibited.

Sale & Catch Reporting: A fishermen may only sell their catch to authorized Quinault Nation Buyers with the following exception: a fisherman may sell no more than a daily total of 3 salmon and steelhead (combined) directly to consumers. All salmon harvested by Quinault fishers shall be reported on either Quinault or Washington fish receiving tickets within no more than 12 hours of landing. Salmon retained by Quinault fishers for personal use shall be reported on fish receiving tickets as ceremonial and subsistence harvest.

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Vessel and Gear Identification: Vessels participating in off-reservation fisheries authorized by the Quinault Indian Nation shall be registered and numbered in accordance with Title 51 of the Quinault Tribal Code and the Nation's regulations governing the registration and numbering of fishing vessels. Numbers shall be displayed in a manner clearly visible from the air.

Fisher Licenses and Identification: Quinault tribal members while participating in the treaty Indian off-reservation ocean fisheries or land or delivering fish harvested in such fisheries shall have in their possession a Quinault tribal identification card and a permit for the 2017 Quinault ocean fishery. Any spouse or offspring participating in the fishery must be properly licensed and the enrolled member entitled and permitted to fish must be present.

Other: All fishing by members of the Quinault Indian Nation shall be in accordance with all applicable Quinault tribal laws and regulations. Trip limits, monthly harvest limits, and other management measures may be adopted during the season to achieve tribal harvest management objectives. Fishers are advised to check for in-season modifications of these regulations.

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