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Title 5. Fish and Game.

Chapter 01. Subsistence Finfish Fishery.

Article 3. Norton Sound - Port Clarence Area.

The section heading for 5 AAC 01.180 is changed to read:

5 AAC 01.180. Subsistence fishing permits; annual limits for salmon.

- 5 AAC 01.180 is amended by adding new subsections to read:
- (f) In the waters of the Norton Sound District, the annual limits for salmon are as follows:
 - (1) in the Nome River, the annual limit for coho salmon is 100 fish;
 - (2) in the Snake River, the annual limit for coho salmon is 100 fish;
 - (3) in the Solomon River, the annual limit for
 - (A) chum salmon is 40 fish;
 - (B) coho salmon is 20 fish.
- (g) In the waters of the Port Clarence District, the annual limits for salmon are as follows:
 - (1) in the Pilgrim River, the annual limit for
 - (A) king salmon is three fish;
 - (B) sockeye salmon is 25 fish;

(2) in Salmon Lake, the annual limit for sockeye salmon is 200 fish. (In effect
before 1988; readopt 5/15/93, Register 126; am 6/23/99, Register 150; am 5/19/2004, Register
170; am 6/7/2007, Register 182; am//2016, Register)

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Article 12. Prince William Sound Area.

The section heading of 5 AAC 01.645 is changed to read:

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5 AAC 01.645. Subsistence bag, possession, and size limits: annual limits.

5 AAC 01.645 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

- (g) There is no bag and possession limit for whitefish. However, the annual limit for whitefish is 1,000 fish.
- (h) The daily bag and possession limit for Arctic grayling is five fish, with an annual limit of 20 fish per water body, excluding stocked lakes. A person may not take or possess Arctic grayling under sport fishing regulations and this section on the same day.
- (i) The daily bag and possession limit for lake trout is two fish, with an annual limit of 10 fish per water body. A person may not take or possess lake trout under sport fishing regulations and this section on the same day.
- (j) The daily bag and possession limit for burbot is five fish, except in those waters specified in 5 AAC 52.023 with a bag and possession limit of two fish. The annual limit for

burbot is 10 fish per water body. A person may not take or possess burbot under sport fishing regulations and this section on the same day.

(k) The daily bag and possession limit for rainbow/steelhead trout is two fish, of which only one may be 20 inches or greater in length, with an annual limit of 10 fish per water body. A person may not take or possess rainbow/steelhead trout under sport fishing regulations and this section on the same day. (In effect before 1984; am 4/28/84, Register 90; am 5/23/88, Register 106; readopt 5/15/93, Register 126; am 5/24/97, Register 142; am 3/30/2000, Register 153; am 6/12/2003, Register 166; am 3/14/2009, Register 189; am ____/___/2016, Register ____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251 AS 16.05.258

Article 14. Southeastern Alaska Area.

5 AAC 01.730(j) is amended to read:

(j) Salmon, trout, or char taken incidentally by gear operated under the terms of a subsistence permit for salmon are legally taken and possessed for subsistence purposes, except that the possession limit for king salmon is two fish. A holder of a subsistence salmon permit must report any salmon, trout, or char taken in this manner on the permit holder's permit calendar.

(In effect before 1982; am 4/14/82, Register 82; am 12/29/84, Register 92; am 6/25/89, Register 110; am/readopt 5/15/93, Register 126; am 4/14/2002, Register 162; am 7/18/2003, Register 167; am 7/13/2012, Register 203; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am ____/___/2016, Register _____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251 AS 16.05.258

The section heading for 5 AAC 01.745 is changed to read:

5 AAC 01.745. Subsistence bag and possession limits; annual limits.

- 5 AAC 01.745 is amended by adding new subsections to read:
- (e) In the Ketchikan Management Area, in waters open to subsistence salmon fishing under a household subsistence salmon fishing permit, the possession and annual limits for salmon per household are as follows:
- (1) sockeye salmon: the possession limit is 10 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 20 sockeye salmon, except as follows:
 - (A) District 1: in the following waters, the possession limit is 12 sockeye salmon, with no annual limit:
 - (i) Hugh Smith Lake/Sockeye Creek;
 - (ii) Naha River east of 131° 37.03' W. long.;
 - (B) District 2: in the waters of the Karta River/Kasaan Bay, the possession limit is 20 sockeye salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (C) District 3: in the following waters, the following possession and annual limits apply:
 - (i) Eek Lake and Hetta Lake Creek/Hetta Inlet: the possession limit is 20 sockeye salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (ii) Klakas Lake/Klakas Inlet: the possession limit is 20 sockeye salmon, with no annual limit;

- (iii) Klawock River/Klawock Inlet: the possession limit is 20 sockeye salmon, with no annual limit;
- (iv) Sarkar Cove/Sarkar Lake: the possession limit is 20 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 40 sockeye salmon;
- (2) coho salmon: the possession limit is 20 coho salmon, with an annual limit of 40 coho salmon;
 - (3) pink salmon: the possession limit is 150 pink salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (4) chum salmon: the possession limit is 25 chum salmon, with no annual limit.
- (f) In the Petersburg Wrangell Management Area, in waters open to subsistence salmon fishing under a household subsistence salmon fishing permit, the possession and annual limits for salmon per household are as follows:
- (1) sockeye salmon may not be taken for subsistence uses, except that sockeye salmon may be taken in the vicinity of Point Baker as described in 5 AAC 01.710(f) and (c) of this section, and in the following waters, with the following possession and annual limits:
 - (A) District 5: in Shipley Bay, the possession limit is 25 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 50 sockeye salmon;
 - (B) District 6: in the following waters, the possession and annual limit is 30 sockeye salmon:
 - (i) Red Bay;
 - (ii) Salmon Bay;
 - (C) District 7: in the following waters, the possession limit is 20 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 40 sockeye salmon:
 - (i) Mill Creek;

- (ii) Thom's Creek;
- (D) Section 9–B: in the following waters, the possession and annual limit is 50 sockeye salmon:
 - (i) Alecks Creek;
 - (ii) Bay of Pillars;
- (2) coho salmon: the possession limit is 20 coho salmon, with an annual limit of 40 coho salmon;
 - (3) pink salmon: the possession limit is 100 pink salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (4) chum salmon: the possession limit is 50 chum salmon, with no annual limit.
- (g) In the Sitka Management Area, in waters open to subsistence salmon fishing under a household subsistence salmon fishing permit, the possession and annual limits for salmon per household are as follows:
- (1) sockeye salmon: the possession and annual limit is 10 sockeye salmon, except as follows:
 - (A) Section 9–A: in the following waters, the following possession and annual limits apply:
 - (i) Falls Lake: the possession and annual limit is 25 sockeye salmon;
 - (ii) Gut Bay: the possession limit is 10 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 20 sockeye salmon;
 - (B) District 13: in the following waters, the following possession and annual limits apply:

- (i) Ford Arm/Lake: the possession and annual limit is 25 sockeye salmon;
- (ii) Hanus Bay/Lake Eva: the possession and annual limit is 50 sockeye salmon;
- (iii) Hoktaheen: the possession and annual limit is 50 sockeye salmon;
- (iv) Klag Bay/Lake: the possession and annual limit is 50 sockeye salmon;
- (v) Lake Anna: the possession and annual limit is 25 sockeye salmon;
- (vi) Necker Bay/Benzeman: the possession limit is 100 sockeye salmon, with no annual limit;
- (vii) Redfish Bay/Lake: the possession limit is 50 sockeye salmon,with an annual limit of 100 sockeye salmon;
- (viii) Redoubt Bay/Lake: the possession and annual limits are as specified in 5 AAC 01.760(b) and (d);
- (ix) Sitkoh Bay/Lake: the possession and annual limit is 50 sockeye salmon;
- (x) Surge Bay/Lake: the possession and annual limit is 50 sockeye salmon;
- (xi) Whale Bay/Politofski Lake: the possession and annual limit is50 sockeye salmon;

- (2) coho salmon: the possession limit is 20 coho salmon, with an annual limit of 40 coho salmon;
 - (3) pink salmon: the possession limit is 100 pink salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (4) chum salmon: the possession limit is 50 chum salmon, with no annual limit.
- (h) In the Juneau Management Area, in waters open to subsistence salmon fishing under a household subsistence salmon fishing permit, the possession and annual limits for salmon per household are as follows:
- (1) sockeye salmon may not be taken for subsistence uses, except that in the following waters sockeye salmon may be taken with the following possession and annual limits:
 - (A) District 12: in the following waters, the following possession and annual limits apply:
 - (i) Basket Bay: the possession limit is 15 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 30 sockeye salmon;
 - (ii) Hasselborg River/Salt Lake: the possession and annual limit is50 sockeye salmon;
 - (iii) Kanalku Bay: the possession and annual limit is 20 sockeye salmon;
 - (B) District 14: in the following waters, the following possession and annual limits apply:

salmon;

- (i) Berg Bay: the possession and annual limit is 25 sockeye
- (ii) Neva Creek: the possession and annual limit is 10 sockeye salmon;

- (2) coho salmon: the possession limit is 20 coho salmon, with an annual limit of 40 coho salmon, except that in Hasselborg River/Salt Lake the possession and annual limit is 20 coho salmon;
 - (3) pink salmon: the possession limit is 150 pink salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (4) chum salmon: the possession limit is 50 chum salmon, with no annual limit.
- (i) In the Haines Management Area, salmon may not be taken for subsistence uses, except that in the Chilkat River, Chilkat Inlet, Lutak Inlet, Chilkoot River, combined, salmon may be taken for subsistence uses under a household subsistence salmon fishing permit with the following possession and annual limits per household:
- (1) sockeye salmon: the possession limit is 25 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 50 sockeye salmon;
- (2) coho salmon: the possession limit is 20 coho salmon, with an annual limit of 40 coho salmon;
- (3) pink and chum salmon, combined: the possession limit is 75 pink and chum salmon, combined, with an annual limit of 100 pink and chum salmon, combined.
 - (j) For the purposes of this section, the
- Ketchikan Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern
 Alaska Area in Districts 1 4;
- (2) Petersburg Wrangell Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska Area in Districts 5 8, Section 9-B, and District 10;
- (3) Sitka Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska Area in Section 9–A, District 12 south of the latitude of Point Hayes and west of a line midway

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between the shoreline of Admiralty Island and the shorelines of Chichagof Island, Baranof Island, and Catherine Island, and District 13;

(4) Juneau Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska Area in Districts 11, 12, 14, and 16, except for those waters of District 12 described in (3) of this subsection;

(5) Haines Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska
Area in District 15. (In effect before 1988; am 5/23/88, Register 106; am 6/25/89, Register 110
readopt 5/15/93, Register 126; am 6/19/97, Register 142; am 6/3/2000, Register 154; am
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Authority: AS 16.05.251 AS 16.05.258

Chapter 33. Southeastern Alaska Area.

Article 3. Salmon Fishery.

5 AAC 33.381(c)(3) is amended to read:

(3) provide the personal use fishery priority over the commercial harvest; although the personal use fishery has historically taken only five percent of the returning harvest, it may exceed five percent over time; in the waters described in (a) of this section that are open to personal use coho salmon fishing under a personal use salmon fishing permit issued under 5 AAC 77.682, the possession and annual limit for coho salmon is 25 salmon;

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(Eff. 6/28/97, Register 142; am 7/26/2003, Register 167; em am 4/13/2005 – 8/10/2005, Register 174; am 5/26/2006, Register 178; am 5/31/2009, Register 190; am//2016, Register				
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Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.251				
Chapter 77. Personal Use Fishery.				
Article 4. Yukon Area.				
5 AAC 77.190 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:				
(c) In the Chatanika River, the annual limit for whitefish is 10 fish. (Eff. 7/26/90,				
Register 115; am 6/17/98, Register 146; am 6/17/2001, Register 158; am 6/7/2007, Register 182;				
am 6/21/2007, Register 182; am//2016, Register)				
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5 AAC 77.660(1) is amended to read:
(1) except as provided in (7) of this section, there is no closed season and no
bag and possession limits;
5 AAC 77.660(7) is amended to read:
(7) in the waters described in 5 AAC 33.200 as Section 11-A,
(A) shrimp may be taken only under the authority of a permit issued
under 5 AAC 77.015; only one permit may be issued to a household each year;
(B) a permit holder shall record harvest information on forms provided by
the department:
(C) the bag and possession limit for spot shrimp is one gallon of
<u>headed shrimp</u> .
(Eff. 7/1/86, Register 99; am 6/25/89, Register 110; am 4/1/94, Register 129; am 9/28/97,
Register 143; am 5/8/98, Register 146; am 6/3/2000, Register 154; am 7/18/2003, Register 167;
am 8/8/2003, Register 167; am 5/26/2006, Register 178; am 5/9/2015, Register 214; am
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5 AAC 77.682 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- (k) In the Ketchikan Management Area, in waters open to personal use salmon fishing under a household personal use salmon fishing permit, and unless otherwise specified in a terminal harvest area under 5 AAC 33 or 5 AAC 77.685, the possession and annual limits for salmon per household are as follows:
- (1) sockeye salmon: the possession limit is 10 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 20 sockeye salmon, except as follows:
 - (A) District 1: in McDonald Lake (Yes Bay), the possession and annual limit is 30 sockeye salmon;
 - (B) District 2: in the following waters, the possession limit is 12 sockeye salmon, with an annual limit of 50 sockeye salmon:
 - (i) Kegan River;
 - (ii) Thorne River;
 - (2) pink salmon: the possession limit is 150 pink salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (3) chum salmon: the possession limit is 25 chum salmon, with no annual limit.
- (*l*) In the Petersburg Wrangell Management Area, in waters open to personal use salmon fishing under a household personal use salmon fishing permit, and unless otherwise specified in a terminal harvest area under 5 AAC 33 or 5 AAC 77.685, the possession and annual limits for salmon per household are as follows:

- (1) sockeye salmon may not be taken for personal use, except that in District 6, in Hatchery Creek, sockeye salmon may be taken with a possession limit of six sockeye salmon and an annual limit of 18 sockeye salmon;
 - (2) pink salmon: the possession limit is 100 pink salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (3) chum salmon: the possession limit is 50 pink salmon, with no annual limit.
- (m) In the Sitka Management Area, sockeye salmon may not be taken for personal use, except that in Takanis Bay/Lake, sockeye salmon may be taken under a household personal use salmon fishing permit with a possession limit and annual limit of 50 sockeye salmon per household.
- (n) In the Juneau Management Area, in waters open to personal use salmon fishing under a household personal use salmon fishing permit, and unless otherwise specified in a terminal harvest area under 5 AAC 33 or 5 AAC 77.685, the possession and annual limits for salmon per household are as follows:
- (1) sockeye salmon: sockeye salmon may not be taken for personal use, except that in the following waters sockeye salmon may be taken with the following possession and annual limits:
 - (A) Sweetheart Creek: the possession limit is 25 sockeye salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (B) Taku River drainage: the possession and annual limit are as specified in (f) of this section;
 - (2) pink salmon: the possession limit is 150 pink salmon, with no annual limit;
 - (3) chum salmon: the possession limit is 50 chum salmon, with no annual limit.

- (o) In the Haines Management Area, salmon may not be taken for personal use, except that in the Taiya River, pink and chum salmon may be taken under a household personal use salmon fishing permit with a possession limit of 10 pink and chum salmon, combined, with an annual limit of 20 pink and chum salmon, combined, per household.
 - (p) For the purposes of this section, the
- Ketchikan Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern
 Alaska Area in Districts 1 − 4;
- (2) Petersburg Wrangell Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska Area in Districts 5 8, Section 9-B, and District 10;
- (3) Sitka Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska Area in Section 9–A, District 12 south of the latitude of Point Hayes and west of a line midway between the shoreline of Admiralty Island and the shorelines of Chichagof Island, Baranof Island, and Catherine Island, and District 13;
- (4) Juneau Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska Area in Districts 11, 12, 14, and 16, except for those waters of District 12 described in (3) of this subsection;
- (5) Haines Management Area consists of the waters of the Southeastern Alaska Area in District 15. (Eff. 6/25/89, Register 110; am 5/29/93, Register 126; am 4/1/94, Register 129; am 12/1/2004, Register 172; am 5/31/2009, Register 190; am 7/13/ 2012, Register 203; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am ____/___/2016, Register _____)

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