

Title 5. Fish and Game.

Chapter 01. Subsistence Finfish Fishery.

Article 12. Prince William Sound Area.

5 AAC 01.645(k) is repealed:

(k) repealed ____/____ 2017

(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 6/5/2016, Register 218; am ____/____/2017, Register ____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251 AS 16.05.258

Chapter 03. Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area.

Article 2. Fishing Districts and Subdistricts.

5 AAC 03.200(b)(1) is amended to read:

(1) Subdistrict 1: all waters east of a line from the terminus of the Tukrok River to an ADF&G regulatory marker located approximately one mile offshore to a point approximately one mile off Cape Blossom to an ADF&G regulatory marker located approximately two miles off Riley Wreck to an ADF&G regulatory marker located on the west bank of Riley Creek at 66°

43' N. lat., 162° 19' W. long., and west of a line from a point one mile offshore from an ADF&G regulatory marker located on the north shore of Hotham Inlet at 67° 02' N. lat., 161° 59' W. long. to a point one mile offshore from an ADF&G regulatory marker located on the northern shore of the Baldwin Peninsula near the terminus of Singigrachak Creek at **66° 50.50' N. lat.** [66° 09' N. LAT.], 162° 11' W. long.;

5 AAC 03.200(b)(2) is amended to read:

(2) Subdistrict 2: waters at the mouth of the Noatak River inside a triangle defined by three points: the first point is located at the outlet of a small slough on the east side of the Noatak River at 66° 59.68' N. lat., 162° 20.75' W. long.; the second point is located at 66° 58.30' N. lat., 162° 30.50' W. long. on the mud bar forming the western bank of the Noatak River; the third and southern point of the triangle is located on that same mud bar **at 66° 57.20' N. lat., 162° 30.80 W. long. (approximately in line with the tip of Pipe Spit and Lockhart Point)** [AT 66° 57.20' N. LAT., 162° 30.80' W. LONG.];

(In effect before 1985; am 5/11/85, Register 94; am 4/2/88, Register 105; am 7/26/90, Register 115; am 7/16/92, Register 123; am 3/30/95, Register 133; am 6/10/98, Register 146; am 7/13/2012, Register 203; am ____/____/2017, Register ____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251

Chapter 5. Yukon Area.

Article 2. Fishing Districts and Subdistricts.

5 AAC 05.200(a) is amended to read:

(a) District 1 consists of that portion of the Yukon River drainage from the latitude of Point Romanof extending south and west along the coast of the delta to the terminus of ~~the~~ Black River, **for that area the waters within three nautical miles seaward from any grassland bank, and** upstream **from the terminus of the Black River** to the northern edge of the mouth of the Anuk River and all waters of the Black River

(In effect before 1982; am 4/14/82, Register 82; am 7/16/92, Register 123; am 5/29/93, Register 126; am 7/3/94, Register 130; am 7/12/96, Register 139; am 3/11/2001, Register 157; am 6/17/2001, Register 158; am 9/29/2001, Register 159; am 5/19/2010, Register 194; am 7/13/2012, Register 203; am 4/13/2013, Register 206; am 6/26/2016, Register 218; am ____/____/2017, Register ____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251

Article 3. Salmon Fishery.

5 AAC 05.350(2) is amended to read:

(2) waters farther than three nautical miles seaward from any grassland bank from **the latitude of Point Romanof** [APOON PASS] extending [WEST AND] south **and west along the coast of the delta** to a line extending seaward from **the terminus of the** [AN ADF&G

REGULATORY MARKER LOCATED ON THE BEACH APPROXIMATELY ONE
NAUTICAL MILE SOUTH FROM THE MOUTH OF] Black River;

(In effect before 1982; am 4/14/82, Register 82; am 7/16/92, Register 123; am 7/3/94, Register
130; am 6/17/2001, Register 158; am 7/13/2012, Register 203; am 4/13/2013, Register 206; am
6/26/2016, Register 218; am ____/____/2017, Register ____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251

Chapter 21. Cook Inlet Area.

Article 2. Fishing Districts, Subdistricts, and Sections.

5 AAC 21.200(b)(1) is amended to read:

(1) Kustatan Subdistrict: all waters within a line from the Drift River terminal to
the South Kalgin Island Light at 60° 20.80' N. lat., 152° 05.09' W. long., northerly along the west
side of Kalgin Island to Northwest Point at 60° 31.25' N. lat., **151° 55.75' W. long.** [155° 55.75'
W. LONG.], bearing 43° to Shell Platform C, to a point on the west shore at 60° 46.39' N. lat.,
excluding the waters of the Kalgin Island Subdistrict;

5 AAC 21.200(b)(3) is amended to read:

(3) Kalgin Island Subdistrict: all waters within a line encompassing Kalgin Island
within one mile of mean lower low water as delineated by the most recent **NOAA Chart #16660**

(31st Edition, April 2012) [UNITED STATES COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY CHART NUMBER 8553];

(In effect before 1985; am 5/11/85, Register 94; am 4/18/86, Register 98; am 3/29/87, Register 101; am 6/10/89, Register 110; em am 4/30/91 - 5/30/91, Register 118 [not printed]; am 7/21/91, Register 119; am 4/7/93, Register 126; am 5/31/96, Register 138; am 6/13/99, Register 150; am 8/8/99, Register 151; am 3/11/2001, Register 157; am 6/30/2002, Register 162; am 8/8/2003, Register 167; am 6/11/2005, Register 174; am 3/2/2011, Register 197; am 5/21/2011, Register 198; am 6/12/2011, Register 198; am 3/22/2014, Register 209; am 5/18/2014, Register 210; am 3/15/2017, Register 221; am ____/____/2017, Register ____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251

Chapter 27. Herring Fishery.

Article 8. Kodiak Area (Registration Area K).

The introductory language of 5 AAC 27.505(c) is amended to read:

(c) South Afognak District: all waters north of a line from Pillar Cape (58° 08.90' N. lat., 152° 06.80' W. long.) to Cape Izhut (58° 06.03' N. lat., 152° 20.40' W. long.) to Dolphin Point (57° 59.17' N. lat., 152° 43.42' W. long.) and to Head Point **(57° 59.67' N. lat., 152° 46.75' W. long.)** [(57° 59.67' N. LAT., 152° 46.17' W. LONG.)].

The introductory language of 5 AAC 27.505(d) is amended to read:

(d) Uganik Bay District: all waters north of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk (57° 48.25' N. lat.) to midstream Shelikof Strait, and south of the latitude of Raspberry Cape to midstream Shelikof Strait, east of midstream Shelikof Strait, and including the waters of Kupreanof Straits west of a line from Inner Point (**57° 54.05' N. lat., 152° 47.75' W. long.**) [(57° 54.10' N. LAT., 152° 47.80' W. LONG.)] to Bird Point (57° 55.33' N. lat., 152° 47.50' W. long.), and south of a line from Occident Point (57° 57.42' N. lat., 152° 51.75' W. long.) to Last Timber Point (57° 58.60' N. lat., 152° 59.05' W. long.).

5 AAC 27.505(e)(2) is amended to read:

(2) Harvester Island Section: all waters north of the latitude of Carlsen Point (**57° 34.70' N. lat.**), [(57° 34.55' N. LAT.) AND] west of **the longitude of Carlsen Point (153° 50.15' W. long.)** [153° 50.00' W. LONG.], and south of a line from Cape Kuliuk to Rocky Point (57° 39.78' N. lat., 154° 13.90' W. long.);

The introductory language of 5 AAC 27.505(m) is amended to read:

(m) South Mainland District: all waters enclosed by a line north of the latitude of 55° 30.00' N. lat., west of the longitude of Cape Ikolik, south of a line from Cape Ikolik to Cape Igvak, and east of a line extending south from the southern entrance of Imuya Bay near Kilokak Rocks at **57° 10.34' N. lat., 156° 20.22' W. long.** [156° 20.07' W. LONG].

(In effect before 1985; am 5/11/85, Register 94; am 6/2/88, Register 106; am 7/23/88, Register 107; am 4/7/90, Register 114; am 4/14/93, Register 126; am 3/22/96, Register 137; am 6/15/96,

Register _____, _____ 2018 FISH AND GAME

Register 138; am 5/29/99, Register 150; am 4/9/2005, Register 174; am 4/25/2008, Register 186;
am 8/27/2016, Register 219; am ____/____/2017, Register _____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251

Chapter 33. Southeastern Alaska Area.

Article 1. Description of Area.

5 AAC 33.200(e) is amended to read:

(e) District 5: waters of Sumner Strait, north and east of a line from Cape Decision **to**
[OF] Helm Point to Cape Lynch to the southwest entrance point of Halibut Harbor, and north of
the latitude of Aneskett Point, west of a line from Point Baker to Point Barrie, and south of a line
from Point Camden to Salt Point Light in Keku Strait.

(In effect before 1985; am 5/31/85, Register 94; am 7/14/85, Register 95; am 4/18/86, Register
98; am 6/25/89, Register 110; am 6/28/97, Register 142; am 10/1/98, Register 147; am
10/12/2000, Register 156; am 3/11/2001, Register 157; am 2/22/2015, Register 213; am
7/1/2015, Register 214; am ____/____/2017, Register _____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251

Chapter 34. King Crab Fishery.

Article 5. Registration Area A (Southeastern).

5 AAC 34.610(b)(1) is repealed:

(1) repealed ____/____ 2017

(In effect before 1983; am 6/30/83, Register 86; am 6/30/84, Register 90; am 7/14/85, Register 95; am 7/23/88, Register 107; am 9/1/96, Register 139; am 9/19/99, Register 151; am 8/24/2002, Register 163; am 9/11/2002, Register 163; am 8/14/2005, Register 175; am 6/1/2013, Register 206; am 6/27/2014, Register 210; am ____/____/2017, Register ____)

Chapter 35. Tanner Crab Fishery.

Article 10. Registration Area J (Westward).

The introductory language of 5 AAC 35.506(e) is amended to read:

(e) For Chignik, Eastern **Aleutian** [ALEUTIANS], Western **Aleutian** [ALEUTIANS], and Bering Sea Districts, the registration deadlines for the registration year are as follows:

5 AAC 35.506(e)(6) is amended to read:

(6) for the Chignik District C. bairdi Tanner crab fishery, if the guideline harvest level exceeds **2,000,000** [600,000] pounds, the registration deadline is 5:00 p.m. December 24.

(Eff. 9/29/96, Register 139; am 7/21/99, Register 151; am 8/8/99, Register 151; am 8/24/2002, Register 163; am 8/14/2005, Register 175; am 9/12/2008, Register 187; am 6/27/2014, Register 210; am ____/____/2017, Register _____)

Authority: AS 16.05.251

Chapter 38. Miscellaneous Shellfish Fishery.

Article 5. Registration Area A (Southeastern Alaska).

5 AAC 38.140(h) is amended to read:

(h) The department shall establish a guideline harvest level for each area open to the harvest of sea cucumbers. The guideline harvest level shall be based on population estimates from the department's biomass assessment, and shall be calculated as a product: Guideline Harvest Level = 3 x CF x GF x M x P, where:

CF = 0.4 scaling factor relating maximum sustainable fishing mortality to unexploited population size;

GF = 0.5 correction factor to allow for errors in assumptions upon which the surplus production model is based;

M = 0.32 estimated instantaneous mortality rate for sea cucumbers;

P = **most recent biomass estimate** [VIRGIN POPULATION SIZE], taken as the lower bound of the one-sided 90 percent confidence interval.

The guideline harvest level includes a factor of three to account for a two-year closure under (c) of this section.

(Eff. 2/27/91, Register 117; am 4/15/94, Register 130; am 9/28/97, Register 143; am 12/26/97, Register 144; am 5/8/98, Register 146; am 10/12/2000, Register 156; am 3/11/2001, Register 157; am 7/18/2003, Register 167; am 12/1/2004, Register 172; am 5/26/2006, Register 178; am 7/29/2009, Register 191; am 5/11/2012, Register 202; am 5/9/2015, Register 214; am 8/27/2016, Register 219; am ____/____/2017, Register _____)

Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.251

Chapter 39. General Provisions.

Article 6. Shellfish Fishery.

5 AAC 39.645(d)(4)(A)(ii) is repealed:

(ii) repealed ____/____ 2017

5 AAC 39.645(d)(4)(A)(iii) is repealed:

(ii) repealed ____/____ 2017

(Eff. 7/12/86, Register 99; am 7/23/88, Register 107; em am 9/20/88 - 1/17/89, Register 108; am 7/30/89, Register 111; am 9/19/90, Register 115; em am 3/19/91 - 7/16/91, Register 118; am 5/2/92, Register 122; am 6/24/93, Register 126; am 11/3/95, Register 136; am 9/1/96, Register

139; am 12/26/97, Register 144; am 7/21/99, Register 151; am 8/31/2000, Register 155; am 7/31/2003, Register 167; am 8/14/2005, Register 175; am 8/28/2005, Register 175; am 7/16/2006, Register 179; am 9/12/2008, Register 187; am 7/16/2011, Register 199; am 6/27/2014, Register 210; am ____/____/2017, Register _____)

Chapter 57. Kenai River Drainage Area.

5 AAC 57.120(a)(2)(A)(i) is amended to read:

(i) from January 1 – June 30, from its mouth upstream to an ADF&G regulatory marker located at the outlet of Skilak Lake, and from July 1 – July 31, from an ADF&G regulatory marker located approximately 300 yards downstream from the mouth of the Slikok Creek upstream to an ADF&G regulatory marker located at the outlet of Skilak Lake, only king salmon that are **less than** 36 inches [OR LESS] in length as measured from tip of snout to tip of tail may be retained;

(Eff. 10/1/2006, Register 179; am 11/12/2006, Register 180; am 6/4/2008, Register 186; am 6/12/2011, Register 198; am 2/23/2014, Register 209; am 5/18/2014, Register 210; am 6/8/2017, Register 222; am ____/____/2017, Register _____)

Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.251

Chapter 60. Knik Arm Drainages Area.

5 AAC 60.122(a)(5)(H) is amended to read:

(H) the waters from an ADF&G regulatory marker located at the mouth of Fish Creek to an ADF&G regulatory marker located approximately one-quarter mile upstream of the Knik Goose Bay Road, are open to sport fishing to a person under 16 years of age, from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the first **consecutive** Saturday and Sunday in August;

(Eff. 10/1/2006, Register 179; am 11/12/2006, Register 180; am 6/4/2008, Register 186; am 6/12/2011, Register 198; am 2/23/2014, Register 209; am 5/18/2014, Register 210; am ____/____/2017, Register _____)

Authority: AS 16.05.060 AS 16.05.251

Chapter 93. Department Programs.

Article 2. Educational Fishery Program.

5 AAC 93.230 is repealed:

5 AAC 93.230. Transitional provisions for certain educational fishery permit procedures. Repealed. (Eff. 4/28/95, Register 134; repealed ____/____ 2017, Register _____)