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# OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: Glenn Haight, Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission

FROM: April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

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**DATE:** July 3, 2024

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Fish & Game

Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission regulations re: gear and species code changes

from March 2024 meeting (20 AAC 05.210 - .230)

Attorney General File: 2024200176

Regulation Filed: 7/3/2024

Effective Date: 8/2/2024

Print: 251, October 2024

cc with enclosures: Colleen Bailey, Department of Law

Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

## **Department of Law**



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June 28, 2024

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom Lieutenant Governor State of Alaska P.O. Box 110015 Juneau, AK 99811-0015

Re: 20 AAC 05.210 - .230: CFEC - Gear and species code changes from March

2024 meeting

Our file: 2024200176

#### Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Department of Fish and Game, Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This letter constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations. The regulations were adopted by the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission after the close of the public comment period.

The regulations concern the addition of new fishery and gear codes. The regulations add a fishery resource code for Arctic lamprey and amend the gear code schedule for fyke nets, pot gear, and dipnets.

In addition, the regulations make permanent a portion of the emergency regulation promulgated on May 22, 2024, related to the use of dip nets in the Yukon River Area under 5 AAC 05.362. The May 22, 2024 emergency regulations amended 20 AAC 05.220(a) to include dip net privileges for holders of set gillnet permits in the Cook Inlet region under 5 AAC 21.382 and the Yukon River Area. Following the commission's review of public comments, the commission permanently adopted the Yukon River dip

net designation and did not permanently adopt the Cook Inlet designation. Consequently, the authorization for holder of a set gillnet permit to use dip nets in the Cook Inlet Area will expire on September 18, 2024, pursuant to the May 22, 2024 filing issued by your office, while the use of dip nets by the holders of a set gillnet permit has been made permanent for the Yukon River Area. The permanent Yukon River Area dip net designation will be effective 30-days from the date of filing under AS 44.62.180.

The May 13, 2024 public notice and the June 25, 2024 order adopting changes both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.060 is not required.

We have made some technical corrections to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.060. Please note, these corrections resulted in the regulations filed being three pages in length, as opposed to the four pages referenced in the June 25, 2024 certification order. The corrections are incorporated into the attached copy of the regulations.

Sincerely,

#### TREG TAYLOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

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CC w/enclosure: Glenn Haight, Commissioner

Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission

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Department of Law

### ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE COMMERCIAL FISHERIES ENTRY COMMISSION

The attached pages of regulations, dealing with adding fishery resource code for Arctic lamprey under 20 AAC 05.210 and adding gear codes for fyke nets, pot gear for vessels under 35 feet in length (limited to the "M"- Miscellaneous fishery resource code) and dipnets in the Yukon River area under 20 AAC 05.220(a), are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission adopts under the authority of AS 16.43.100, AS 16.43.110, AS 43.140, AS 16.43.200. AS 16.43.950 and AS 16.43.030(c) and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

In considering public comments, the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date:	06/25/2024	DocuSigned by:	
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		Glenn Haight, Commissioner	

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I, Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

JUN 3, 2024, at 2:20 p.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Effective:

August 2, 2024. Register:

#### FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.

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NANCY DAHLSTROM LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR Register 251, October 2024 MISCELLANEOUS BOARDS

20 AAC 05.210 is amended to read:

**20 AAC 05.210. Fishery resource codes.** The letter, or letter and number code, from the following schedule is used to indicate the specific fishery resource for which an interim-use or entry permit is issued:

Code

• • •

L Herring Spawn on Kelp or Other Substrate

LA Lamprey, Arctic

• • •

P Shrimp

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(Eff. 12/18/74, Register 52; am 1/21/78, Register 65; am 12/27/79, Register 72; am 1/2/81, Register 77; am 12/30/82, Register 84; am 11/25/84, Register 92; am 12/20/87, Register 104; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 7/8/92, Register 123; am 3/3/94, Register 129; am 8/9/96, Register 139; am 12/4/96, Register 140; am 1/2/2003, Register 164; am 11/23/2008, Register 188, am

9 / 2 / 2024, Register 251)

Authority:

AS 16.43.100

AS 16.43.110

AS 16.43.140

20 AAC 05.220(a) is amended to read:

20 AAC 05.220. Gear codes. (a) A number code from the following schedule is [WILL BE] used to indicate the specific type of gear for which an interim-use or entry permit is issued:

Code

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• • • 04 set gillnet\* [GILLNET] 9 (A - D) pot gear with permit restrictions++ pot gear (registered vessel length under 35 feet) \*\*\*(limited to the "M" -<u>9E</u> Miscellaneous fishery resource code) 12 hand picking\*\* <u>13</u> dipnet 21 pound\*\*\*[POUND\*] 26 power-driven mechanical jigging machine <u>28</u> fyke net pair trawl 37

\*A set gillnet permit in the Yukon Area allows the use of a dip net under 5 AAC 05.362 [\*A HERRING POUND PERMIT ALLOWS THE INCIDENTAL USE OF OTHER GEAR WHEN OPERATED IN COMPLIANCE WITH A POUND PERMIT ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF FISH AND GAME].

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\*\*\* A herring pound permit allows the incidental use of other gear when operated in compliance with a pound permit issued by the commissioner of fish and game.

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++++ A permit with this gear code issued for the Northern Southeast Inside sablefish longline fishery or Southern Southeast Inside sablefish longline fishery includes [INCUDES] pot gear. (Eff. 12/18/74, Register 52; am 4/9/76, Register 58; am 1/1/78, Register 64; am 12/27/79, Register 72; am 12/30/82, Register 84; am 3/16/83, Register 85; am 11/25/84, Register 92; am 11/22/87, Register 104; am 3/3/94, Register 129; am 5/4/95, Register 134; am 12/15/95, Register 136; am 8/9/96, Register 139; am 9/13/2001, Register 159; am 1/2/2003, Register 164; am 11/6/2005, Register 176; am 7/20/2006, Register 179; am 6/1/2013, Register 206; am 5/11/2017, Register 222; am 6/25/2020, Register 234; am 9/18/2022, Register 243, am 8/2 /2024, Register 251)

**Authority:** AS 16.43.100 AS 16.43.140 AS 16.43.990

AS 16.43.110