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SUQUAMISH SHRIMP FISHERY REGULATION

REGULATION NUMBER 24-070S

DATE: April 15, 2024

EFFECTIVE DATES: Effective April 16, 2024 until modified.

SPECIES: Spot shrimp

FISHERY TYPE: Commercial

REGULATION MODIFIED: 24-069S

SPOT SHRIMP HARVEST SEASONS, LOCATIONS AND QUOTAS

Management Region 4 (CMR 4)

Catch reporting area: 26B2 (Elliott Bay) Commercial

Open to: 2024 Shrimp fishery registered boats only – see boat list below

Individual fishing quotas (IFQs): 116 pounds for boats and fishers listed in this regulation only – see table below

Open: 8:00AM Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Close: 7:00PM Friday, May 24, 2024 or until the Suquamish share of 3,250 pounds is harvested

Gear limit: 30 pots per vessel

Specific Regulations for IFQ Harvests:

- IFQs are per boat, each boat has one IFQ for this season.
- Each vessel has 6 hours maximum to harvest their IFQ on ONE day.
- Each vessel must be running and fish-ready with its own gear, davit, etc.
- Operators identified on the list must actively harvest their the vessel’s gear (no gear sharing).
- Shrimp must be weighed on board vessels and surplus shrimp must be released immediately to the location where pots were pulled.
- IFQ poundage cannot be given or sold to other vessels.
- **Fishers must call enforcement at 360-265-7511 at least 24 hours before fishing in Catch Area 26B2, indicating the time and date vessels will start fishing.**
- Fishers must call or text enforcement at 360-265-7511 if they are not able to make it that day due to mechanical problems or weather.

- Call or text 360-434-8788 to report catch at the end of the day (thank you!).
- All harvest – **commercial and take home** – must be reported on a fish ticket.

Catch reporting area: 26B1 and 26C Commercial

Closed until further notice

CATCH AREA DESCRIPTION

Catch Area 26B: Those waters of Puget Sound south of a line from Apple Cove Point to Point Edwards, and east of a line from Point Monroe, Bainbridge Island to the mouth of Miller Bay, and east of a line from Beans Point on Bainbridge Island to Orchard Point, and northerly of a line from the ferry dock at Point Southworth to Brace Point.

Catch Area 26B-1: All waters of Catch Area 26B westerly a line projected from West Point to Alki Point and east of a line from Point Monroe, Bainbridge Island to the mouth of Miller Bay, and east of a line from Beans Point on Bainbridge Island to Orchard Point.

Catch Area 26B-2: “Elliott Bay”: those waters easterly of a line projected from West Point to Alki Point.

Catch Area 26C: Those waters of Puget Sound westerly and adjacent to Catch Area 26B.

HARVEST REGULATIONS

Pot Fishery Regulations

- 1) Minimum mesh size for all pots require that 7/8 inch square peg can pass through without changing the shape of the opening. All pot gear must be equipped with biodegradable escape mechanisms which include at least one of the following methods:
 - a) Attachment of pot lid hooks or tie-down straps with a single strand or loop of untreated cotton twine no larger than thread size 120 so that the pot lid will open freely if the twine or fiber is broken.
 - b) An opening in the pot mesh not less than three inches by five inches which is laced or sewn closed with untreated cotton twine no larger than thread size 120. The opening must be located within the top half of the pot and be unimpeded by the entry tunnels, bait boxes, or any other structures or materials.
- 2) All unattended pot gear must be attached to durable buoys that remain floating on the water’s surface except during extreme tidal conditions. Buoys shall not be yellow or red and white and shall be noticeably marked with the fisher’s Tribal ID number (i.e: 58XXX).
- 3) All buoys shall be constructed of durable material excluding plastic or metal bottles and other containers. The buoy line shall be weighed to keep the line from floating.

4) Setting and pulling shrimp pots is allowed from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset, unless indicated otherwise in the opening duration.

HARVEST REPORTING

All shrimp harvesters, both commercial and subsistence, must provide daily harvest information to the fisheries office. Fisheries manager may request more frequent reporting as treaty allocations near completion. Commercial pot harvest information, when requested, shall include the following: date, vessel name, number of pots fished, mesh size, pot soak times, Catch area, location fished (nearest landmark or Bay), and pounds landed.

All commercial shrimp pot landings must be recorded on receiving tickets as whole weight. If shrimp are sold as tails, without heads, the tail weight shall be recorded and the ticket marked to indicate that tails were purchased. The respective management authorities shall multiply all tail weights by 2.22 (55 percent head weight) for in-season management and catch accounting purposes, in absence of more recent agreed analyses.

EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

This regulation may be amended at any time by emergency regulations.

ENFORCEMENT CONTACTS:

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2024 Eligible Boats and Fishing IDs for the Elliott Bay Fishery 26B-2

Boat Number	Fishing ID
586	58329
498	58279
362	58355
614	58091
693	58879
330	58724
684	58322
231	58444
516	58933
490	58031
606	58788
434	58845
430	58759
409	58081
499	58033
492	58369
668	58596
645	58174
630	58610
136	58034
312	58034
36	58034
620	58035
611	58160
320	58789
583	58750
638	58398
689	58848

