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## **SUQUAMISH SHRIMP FISHERY REGULATION**

**REGULATION NUMBER:** 26-073S

**DATE:** April 29, 2026

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** Effective May 1, 2026

**SPECIES:** NON-SPOT shrimp (Coonstripe, Sidestripe, Humpback, and pink shrimp)

**FISHERY TYPE:** Commercial and C&S, POT FISHERY

**REGULATION MODIFIED:** 26-062S

**HARVEST SEASONS, LOCATIONS AND QUOTAS**

**JUSTIFICATION:** This regulation is made pursuant to Section 4.6 of the Shellfish Implementation Plan (April 8, 2002) to proceed with harvest in the possible absence of a state / tribes agreement for the 2026-2027 Regions 1, 2W, and 3 Pandalid Shrimp Harvest Management Plans.

### **Management Region 1 (CMR 1)**

#### **Catch reporting sub-areas: 1A, 1B and 1C**

Open: 5:00AM Friday, May 1, 2026 – subject to passing ovigery sample test

Close: 5:00PM Thursday, October 15, 2026 or when the tribal share is harvested

Tribal share: 1A: 5,000 pounds, 1B: 27,245 pounds, 1C: 9,496 pounds

Gear limit: 100 pots per boat

Effort: Approximately 2 vessels

**It is unlawful to set gear deeper than 175 feet in sub-area 1A**

### **Management Region 2W (CMR 2W)**

#### **Catch reporting areas: 26AW, 25B, 25C, and 25D**

Open: 5:00AM Friday, May 1, 2026

Close: 5:00PM Thursday, October 15, 2026 or when the tribal share is harvested

Tribal share: 6,000 pound

Gear limit: 100 pots per boat

Effort: Approximately 2 vessels

**It is unlawful to set gear deeper than 150 feet**

## **Management Region 2E (CMR 2E)**

### **Catch reporting areas: 26AE, 24B (see map, attached)**

Closed until further notice

Tribal share: 19,000 pounds

Gear limit: 100 pots per boat

Effort: Approximately 2 vessels

**It is unlawful to set gear deeper than 175 feet**

## **Management Region 3 (CMR 3)**

### **Catch reporting areas: 23A, 23B and 25A, north and east of a line drawn from McCurdy Point to the north tip of Protection Island to Trial Island**

Open: 5:00AM Friday, May 1, 2026 - - subject to passing ovigery sample test

Close: 5:00PM Thursday, October 15, 2026 or when the tribal share is harvested.

Tribal share: 30,000 pounds

Gear limit: 100 pots per boat

Effort: Approximately 2 vessels

**It is unlawful to set gear deeper than 175 feet in Catch Area 23A**

## **Management Region 4 (CMR 4)**

### **Catch reporting areas: 26B and 26C**

Open: 5:00AM Friday, May 1, 2026

Close: 5:00PM Thursday, October 15, 2026 or when the tribal share is harvested.

Tribal share: 1,000 pounds

Gear limit: 60 pots per boat

Effort: Approximately 2 vessels

**It is unlawful to set gear deeper than 150 feet**

## CATCH AREA DESCRIPTION

**Sub-Area 23AE (east):** Those waters of Catch Area 23A and the described portion of 22A north of a line projected 48.22.50' °N latitude east of a line projected 122.57°W longitude.

**Sub-Area 23AW (west):** Those waters of Catch Area 23A and the described portion of 22A north of a line projected 48.22.50' °N latitude and west of a line projected 122.57°W longitude.

**Sub-Area 23AC (central) and 23B:** Those waters of Catch Area 23A, south of a line projected 48.22.50' °N latitude and east of a line projected 335 degrees true from the Dungeness lighthouse Those waters southerly of Catch Area 22A; easterly of Catch Area 23AE; and northerly of a line due west from Partridge Point, Whidbey Island to its intersection with Catch Area 23A.

**Catch Area 25A:** Those waters of Puget Sound south of Catch Areas 23AW and 23B; east of Catch Area 23D; north of a line projected from Diamond Point to Cape George, and westerly of a line projected from Point Partridge on Whidbey Island to Point Wilson.

**Management Area 1A:** The portion of Crustacean Management Region 1 which includes all waters of Catch Area 20B west of a line from Point Doughty on Orcas Island to the bell buoy at the international boundary, and all waters of Catch Area 22A west of a line projected true north and south from the western tip of Crane Island, west of a line projected from the number 2 buoy at the entrance to Fisherman Bay to the southern tip of Shaw Island.

**Management Area 1B:** That portion of Crustacean Management Region 1 which includes all waters of Catch Area 20B east of a line from Point Doughty on Orcas Island to the bell buoy at the international boundary, and all waters of Catch Area 22A east of a line projected true north and south from the western tip of Crane Island, east of a line projected from the number 2 buoy at the entrance to Fisherman Bay to the southern tip of Shaw Island, and east of a line projected true south from Point Colville, and all waters of Catch Area 21A north and west of a line from the southern tip of Sinclair Island to Carter Point on Lummi Island.

**Management Area 1C:** That portion of Crustacean Management Region 1 which includes all waters of Catch Areas 20A, 21B, 22B, and all waters of Catch Area 21A not included in Shrimp Management Area 1B.

**Area 24B** shall include those waters of Port Susan south of Area 24A and north of a line from Camano Head on Camano Island to the north tip of Gedney Island and from the southern tip of Gedney Island east to the mainland.

**Area 26AE** shall include those waters of Puget Sound Catch Area 26A south of Areas 24B and 24C, and northerly of a line projected 110 degrees true from the southern tip of Possession Point on Whidbey Island to the shipwreck on the opposite shore, 0.8 nautical miles north of Picnic Point.

**Catch Area 25B:** Those waters of Admiralty Inlet east of a line projected from Point Partridge on Whidbey Island to Point Wilson; northeast of a line projected from Point Hudson to Marrowstone Point; and north of a line projected from Olele Point to Foulweather Bluff continuing to Double Bluff on Whidbey Island.

**Catch Area 25C:** Those waters of Hood Canal south of a line projected from Olele Point to Foulweather Bluff and north of the Hood Canal Floating Bridge.

**Catch Area 25D:** The waters of Port Townsend Bay southwest of a line from Point Hudson to Marrowstone Point.

**Catch Area 26AW:** Those waters of Puget Sound south of Catch Area 25B, and north of a line from Apple Cove Point to Point Edwards (the northern boundary of Catch Area 26B), and south and east of a line from Possession Point on Whidbey Island 110° true to the shipwreck on the opposite shore, located 0.8 nautical miles north of Picnic Point (the southern boundary of Catch Area 26AE). Sub Area 26AWE: those waters within ½ mile of the eastern shore of Catch Area 26AW from the Shipwreck south to Point Edwards.

**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 is  $\frac{1}{2}$
- 2) Tunnels can only be located on the sides of the pots.
- 3) 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).
- 4) 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.
- 5) Setting and pulling shrimp pots is allowed from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset only.
- 6) All Spot shrimp caught must immediately be released in the water at the exact location they were caught.
- 7) San Juan marine preserve of False Bay, Friday Harbor, Argyle Lagoon, within 300 yards of Low and Yellow Islands, Hicks and Parks Bays on Shaw Islands are CLOSED TO ALL FISHING\.

Other rules described in the 2022-23 Pandalid shrimp management plans are in effect.

## SUBSISTENCE

The subsistence limit is 4 pots and 20 pounds of whole NON SPOT shrimp per ID per day. It is strictly prohibited to sell C&S shrimp. All Spot shrimp caught must immediately be released in the water unless otherwise mentioned above.

## 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 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 shrimp pot landings (commercial, C&S and take home) must be recorded on receiving tickets as

whole weight.

#### EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

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

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Map 1, Region 2 East

