

Things to consider when buying treaty-caught Columbia River fish

Commercial seasons

Salmon – seasons generally run from late June through early October

Exact timing of salmon seasons varies annually depending on the fish run size. Buyers are urged to call the Oregon State Police or Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to get current season dates.

Sturgeon – annually from January 1 through March 21

Sturgeon are managed on a quota for each specific pool (Bonneville, The Dalles and John Day). If the sturgeon quota is reached for a specific pool prior to March 21, the commercial season will be closed for that pool.

Steelhead and walleye – concurrent with salmon and sturgeon seasons

Legal requirements

- Purchasers must have in their possession written documentation that shows the treaty member's name, tribal enrollment number, number of fish, approximate weight of each fish, date and location where caught, date of sale and purchaser's name.
- Sturgeon must be sold with the head and tail attached.
- Sturgeon sales are limited to white sturgeon with a fork length of 43-54 inches if taken from between The Dalles and McNary dams, and 38-54 inches if taken from between Bonneville and The Dalles dams.

Questions? Please call the Oregon State Police or the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.



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