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Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Division 11

SPORT FISHING REGULATIONS FOR FISH, SHELLFISH, AND MARINE INVERTEBRATES:  
STATEWIDE ANGLING REGULATIONS

635-011-0100

General Rule

It is *unlawful* to take any fish, shellfish, or marine invertebrates for personal use except as provided in these rules which include and incorporate the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** by reference. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

**Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

**Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

635-011-0104

Licenses, Tags, and Permits

(1) Hatchery Salmon and Steelhead Harvest Tag Requirements:

- (a) Persons holding a valid annual angling license and combined angling harvest tag may purchase Hatchery Salmon and Steelhead Harvest Tags. There is no limit on the number of Hatchery Salmon and Steelhead Harvest Tags an angler may purchase per year. The purchase of each tag entitles the angler to take a combined total of 10 hatchery salmon or steelhead;
- (b) Only adipose or otherwise fin-clipped adult salmon or adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be recorded on the Hatchery Salmon and Steelhead Harvest Tag;
- (c) A valid annual angling license and a valid annual angling harvest tag must be in possession while fish validated on the Hatchery Salmon and Steelhead Harvest Tag are in angler's possession. All tags purchased must be in angler's possession while angling for salmon or steelhead;
- (d) Fish must be recorded immediately upon removal from the water and fish must be recorded in the chronological order caught. The angler who landed the fish must record the fish on his or her tag irrespective of who hooked the fish; and
- (e) Harvested fish can be tagged either electronically or on a paper copy. All paper copies of Hatchery Salmon and Steelhead Harvest Tags should be returned to ODFW upon expiration.

(2) Columbia River Basin Endorsement:

- (a) The Columbia River Basin is defined as: The mainstem Columbia River from Buoy 10 upstream to include all rivers and their tributaries that drain into the mainstem Columbia River.
- (b) ~~Beginning January 1, 2014 a~~ A valid Columbia River Basin Endorsement must be in possession while angling for salmon, steelhead, or sturgeon in the Columbia River Basin except during free fishing weekend where every angler is considered as having a valid Columbia River Basin Endorsement.
- (c) The fee for the Columbia River Basin Endorsement, when purchased in conjunction with an annual license is \$9.75, in addition to fees as described in ORS 497.121 and ORS 497.123.
- (d) The fee for the Columbia River Basin Endorsement when purchased separately is \$9.75 (plus a \$2.00 agent fee).
- (e) The fee for the Columbia River Basin Endorsement, when purchased in conjunction with a daily license is \$1.00 per each day, in addition to those fees as described in ORS 497-121.
- (f) Purchase of a Columbia River Basin Endorsement is not required for free fishing weekend.
- (g) No fee will be charged for a Columbia River Basin Endorsement for an angler(s) in possession of:
  - (A) A resident disabled veteran, resident pioneer, resident and non-resident youth under 12 license; or
  - (B) A Permanent Wheel-chair Angling License, a Permanent Blind Angler License, or a Permanent Senior.

**(3) Rogue-South Coast Steelhead Fishing Authorizations:**

- (a) Rogue-South Coast steelhead fishing authorizations include the Rogue-South Coast**



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Steelhead Validation and the Rogue-South Coast Wild Steelhead Harvest Tag.

(b) For purposes of these authorizations, the Rogue-South Coast area is defined as: all rivers and streams draining into the Pacific Ocean from, and inclusive of, the Sixes River south to the Winchuck River.

(c) For purposes of these authorizations, the winter steelhead angling season is December 1 through April 30, although angling dates may vary in specific locations.

(d) These authorizations shall only be purchased once by each angler for each season, excluding replacements, and are valid for a single winter steelhead angling season regardless of whether an annual, daily, or multi-day angling license is used.

(e) Except as noted, these authorizations are in addition to other license and tag requirements, and do not preclude the need to follow those license requirements, and steelhead angling and harvest regulations.

(f) A Rogue-South Coast Steelhead Validation:

(A) Shall only be available to anglers with an annual angling license and an annual combined angling tag, or a daily or multi-day angling license associated with a valid ODFW ID Number; and

(B) Shall be in possession in the Rogue-South Coast area while angling for steelhead during the winter steelhead angling season.

(g) A Rogue-South Coast Wild Steelhead Harvest Tag:

(A) Shall only be available to anglers with a Rogue-South Coast Steelhead Validation;

(B) Shall be utilized in the Rogue-South Coast area instead of the combined angling tag to record harvested wild winter steelhead immediately upon removal from the water by the angler who landed the fish;

(C) Shall be in possession while harvested wild winter steelhead recorded on it are in possession; and

(D) Shall be in possession in electronic or paper form, and if a paper form is utilized then such form shall be returned or reported to ODFW after each winter steelhead angling season and before the next winter steelhead angling season.

([3]4) An angling license is not required when angling in temporary structures utilized to serve or promote a public fishing event.

**Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

**Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

Division 13

**OCEAN SALMON AND STEELHEAD SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS**

**635-013-0004**

**Inclusions and Modifications**

(1) OAR 635-013-0005 through OAR 635-013-0009 modify or are in addition to provisions contained in Code of Federal Regulations, Title 50, Part 660, Subparts A and H, and the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

(2) The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 50, Part 660, Subparts A and H, and the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** contain requirements for sport salmon angling in the Pacific Ocean off the Oregon coast. However, additional regulations may be adopted from time to time, and, to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the published federal regulations and the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. This means that persons must consult not only the federal regulations and the published sport fishing regulations but also the Department's web page to determine all applicable sport fishing regulations.

(3) This rule contains requirements that modify sport salmon angling regulations off the Oregon coast. The following modifications are organized in sections that apply to the ocean sport salmon fishery in general and within management zones established by the Pacific Fishery Management Council and enacted by Federal Regulations (CFR, Title 50, Part 660, Subparts A and H).



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105 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

106 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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**Division 14**

**NORTHWEST ZONE SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS**

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110 **635-014-0080**

111 **Purpose and Scope**

112 (1) The purpose of Division 014 is to provide for management of sport fisheries in the Northwest Zone  
113 over which the State has jurisdiction.

114 (2) Division 014 incorporates by reference the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. Therefore,  
115 persons must consult the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in addition to Division 011 and  
116 Division 014 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for the Northwest Zone.

117 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

118 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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120 **635-014-0090**

121 **Inclusions and Modifications**

122 ~~[(1)]~~The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Northwest Zone.  
123 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of  
124 any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** pamphlet.

125 ~~[(2) Effective February 1, 2017, the use of barbed hooks is allowed when angling for salmon, steelhead,~~  
126 ~~or trout in the following areas: Youngs Bay Select Area (Clatsop Co.) from the Highway 101 Bridge~~  
127 ~~upstream to markers at confluence of Youngs and Klaskanine rivers, including lower Lewis and Clark~~  
128 ~~River upstream to Alternate Highway 101 Bridge and lower Walluski River upstream to Highway 202~~  
129 ~~Bridge; and Gnat Creek (Clatsop Co.) from railroad bridge upstream to Aldrich Point Road Bridge. Use of~~  
130 ~~barbless hooks is still required when angling for these species in nearby areas within the Columbia~~  
131 ~~Zone.]~~

132 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

133 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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**Division 16**

**SOUTHWEST ZONE SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS**

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137 **635-016-0080**

138 **Purpose and Scope**

139 (1) The purpose of Division 016 is to provide for management of sport fisheries in the Southwest Zone  
140 over which the State has jurisdiction.

141 (2) Division 016 incorporates by reference the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. Therefore,  
142 persons must consult the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in addition to Division 011 and  
143 Division 016 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for the Southwest Zone.

144 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

145 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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147 **635-016-0090**

148 **Inclusions and Modifications**

149 The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Southwest Zone.  
150 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of  
151 any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** pamphlet.

152 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

153 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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**Division 17**

**WILLAMETTE ZONE SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS**

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157 **635-017-0080**

158 **Purpose and Scope**

159 (1) The purpose of Division 017 is to provide for management of sport fisheries in the Willamette Zone  
160 over which the State has jurisdiction.

161 (2) Division 017 incorporates by reference the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. Therefore,  
162 persons must consult the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in addition to Division 011 and  
163 Division 017 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for the Willamette Zone.

164 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

165 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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167 **635-017-0090**

168 **Inclusions and Modifications**

169 (1) The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Willamette Zone.

170 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of  
171 any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

172 [~~(2) Beginning February 1, 2017, the use of barbed hooks is allowed when angling for salmon, steelhead,  
173 or trout in Willamette River downstream of Willamette Falls (including Multnomah Channel and Gilbert-  
174 River) and in lower Clackamas River upstream to Highway 99E Bridge.]~~

175 ([~~3~~]**2**) Pacific Lamprey Harvest:

176 (a) Pursuant to OAR 635-044-0430(1), authorization from the Oregon Fish and Wildlife  
177 Commission must be in possession by individuals collecting or possessing Pacific lamprey for  
178 personal use. Permits are available from ODFW, 17330 SE Evelyn Street, Clackamas, OR  
179 97015;

180 (b) Open fishing period is June 1 through July 31 from 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.; personal use  
181 harvest is permitted Friday through Monday each week. All harvest is prohibited Tuesday through  
182 Thursday;

183 (c) Open fishing area is the Willamette River at Willamette Falls on the east side of the falls only,  
184 excluding Horseshoe Area at the peak of the falls;

185 (d) Gear is restricted to hand or hand-powered tools only;

186 (e) Catch must be recorded daily on a harvest record card prior to leaving the open fishing area.  
187 Harvest record cards will be provided by ODFW. All harvest record cards must be returned to the  
188 ODFW Clackamas office by August 31 to report catch. Permit holders who do not return the  
189 harvest record cards by August 31 will be ineligible to receive a permit in the following year.

190 (f) Harvesters must allow sampling or enumeration of catches by ODFW personnel.

191 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

192 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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194 **635-017-0095**

195 **Sturgeon Season**

196 The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Willamette Zone.

197 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of  
198 any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

199 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

200 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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Division 18  
CENTRAL ZONE SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS

204 **635-018-0080**

205 **Purpose and Scope**

206 (1) The purpose of Division 018 is to provide for management of sport fisheries in the Central Zone over  
207 which the State has jurisdiction.



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208 (2) Division 018 incorporates by reference the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. Therefore,  
209 persons must consult the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in addition to Division 011 and  
210 Division 018 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for the Central Zone.

211 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

212 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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214 **635-018-0090**

215 **Inclusions and Modifications**

216 (1) The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Central Zone.

217 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of  
218 any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

219 (2) Seasonal closures prohibiting angling may be enacted to provide additional protection for upriver  
220 summer steelhead. When enacted, closures will be from July 15-September 15 in the lower reaches of  
221 Columbia River tributaries within the Central Zone as specified in section (3).

222 (3) The closures will be in the lower reaches of Eagle Creek and the Deschutes River as described  
223 below, and adjacent areas of the mainstem Columbia River (Columbia River Zone) as described in OAR  
224 635-023-0090:

225 (a) Eagle Creek. That portion of Eagle Creek from the angling deadline in Eagle Creek (200 feet  
226 downstream of hatchery fishway entrance) downstream to the mouth at the mainline railroad  
227 bridge.

228 (b) Deschutes River: The lower Deschutes River from markers at the lower end of Moody Rapids  
229 downstream to the mouth at the Interstate 84 Bridge.

230 (4) Except as described above, other permanent rules apply.

231 (5) Nothing in this rule precludes the Department from recommending or enacting, as needed for  
232 conservation purposes, protective measures for Columbia River steelhead not described in this rule.

233 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

234 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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Division 19  
NORTHEAST ZONE SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS

238 **635-019-0080**

239 **Purpose and Scope**

240 (1) The purpose of Division 019 is to provide for management of sport fisheries in the Northeast Zone  
241 over which the State has jurisdiction.

242 (2) Division 019 incorporates by reference the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. Therefore,  
243 persons must consult the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in addition to Division 011 and  
244 Division 019 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for the Northeast Zone.

245 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

246 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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248 **635-019-0090**

249 **Inclusions and Modifications**

250 The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Northeast Zone.

251 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of  
252 any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

253 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

254 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162



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Division 21  
SOUTHEAST ZONE SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS

**635-021-0080**

**Purpose and Scope**

(1) The purpose of Division 021 is to provide for management of sport fisheries in the Southeast Zone, over which the State has jurisdiction.

(2) Division 021 incorporates by reference the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. Therefore, persons must consult the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in addition to Division 011 and Division 021 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for the Southeast Zone.

**Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

**Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

**635-021-0090**

**Inclusions and Modifications**

(1) The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Southeast Zone. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

(2) From June 1 through August 31, the Malheur River is open to angling for spring Chinook on the mainstem river from the Bluebucket Creek confluence upstream to the headwaters of McCoy Creek, Lake Creek, Big Creek and tributaries, and Bosonberg Creek. The daily bag limit is two (2) hatchery spring Chinook; two daily limits in possession.

(3) Burns Paiute Tribal members participating in this experimental spring Chinook fishery are governed by the conditions and limitations established in the Burns Paiute Tribal Fishing Code.

(a) Burns Paiute Tribal members are not required to have an ODFW angling license or report catch on an ODFW combined angling tag when fishing for spring Chinook in the area described above in section (2).

(b) Burns Paiute Tribal members must have a valid tribal identification card in their possession.

(c) When fishing for any species other than spring Chinook, an ODFW angling license is required and General, Statewide and Southeast Zone regulations, as provided in the Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations, remain in effect.

**Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

**Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

Division 23  
COLUMBIA RIVER ZONE AND SNAKE RIVER ZONE SPORT ANGLING REGULATIONS

**635-023-0080**

**Purpose and Scope**

(1) The purpose of Division 023 is to provide for management of sport fisheries in the Columbia River Zone and in the Snake River Zone over which the State has jurisdiction.

(2) Division 023 incorporates by reference the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**. Therefore, persons must consult the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in addition to Division 011 and Division 023 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for the Columbia River Zone and the Snake River Zone.

**Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

**Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

**635-023-0090**

**Inclusions and Modifications**

(1) The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Columbia River Zone and the Snake River Zone. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.



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307 [(2) Effective February 1, 2017, the use of barbed hooks is allowed when angling for salmon, steelhead,  
308 or trout in the following areas:

309 (a) Within the Youngs Bay Select Area (Clatsop County) from the Highway 101 Bridge upstream to  
310 markers at the confluence of the Youngs and Klaskanine rivers, including the lower Lewis and Clark  
311 River upstream to the Alternate Highway 101 Bridge and the Walluski River upstream to the Highway  
312 202 Bridge.

313 (b) Within the Knappa/Blind Slough Select Area (Clatsop County) from markers at the west end of  
314 Minaker Island upstream to markers at the mouth of Blind Slough, continuing upstream to the railroad  
315 bridge in Blind Slough.]

316 ([3]2) Seasonal closures prohibiting angling may be enacted to provide additional protection for upriver  
317 summer steelhead. When enacted, closures will be from July 15-September 15 in Oregon waters at the  
318 mouths, and in the lower reaches of Columbia River tributaries as specified in sub-section ([4]3)(a)  
319 through ([4]3)(f) below.

320 ([4]3) The closures will be in the lower reaches of Eagle Creek (Central Zone), Herman Creek (Columbia  
321 Zone), and the Deschutes River (Central Zone), and adjacent areas of the mainstem Columbia River  
322 (Columbia River Zone) as described below:

323 (a) Eagle Creek. That portion of Eagle Creek (Central Zone) from the angling deadline in Eagle  
324 Creek (200 feet downstream of hatchery fishway entrance) downstream to the mouth at the  
325 mainline railroad bridge.

326 (b) Eagle Creek mouth: That portion of the mainstem Columbia River (Columbia River Zone)  
327 adjacent to the mouth of Eagle Creek from the mainline railroad bridge northwest to a line  
328 projecting from a marker on the Oregon shore approximately 200 feet downstream of Eagle  
329 Creek, through red navigation buoy #4, and terminating at a marker on the Oregon shore  
330 approximately 325 feet upstream of Eagle Creek.

331 (c) Herman Creek: That portion of Herman Creek (Columbia Zone) from the mainline railroad  
332 bridge downstream to markers at mouth.

333 (d) Herman Creek Lagoon: That portion of the mainstem Columbia River (Columbia River Zone)  
334 adjacent to the mouth of Herman Creek commonly referred to as Herman Creek Lagoon east of a  
335 line from the northwest tip of the jetty, south to a marker on the Oregon shore.

336 (e) Deschutes River: The lower Deschutes River (Central Zone) from markers at the lower end of  
337 Moody Rapids downstream to the mouth at the Interstate 84 Bridge.

338 (f) Deschutes River mouth: That portion of the mainstem Columbia River (Columbia River Zone)  
339 adjacent to the mouth of the Deschutes River from the Interstate 84 Bridge north to a line  
340 projecting from the flashing red navigation marker #2 located approximately 1.5 miles  
341 downstream of the Deschutes River mouth on the Oregon shore, upstream to the red navigation  
342 marker #4, then to the lower South Channel Range "B" marker located on the Oregon shore  
343 approximately 0.7 mile upstream of the Deschutes River mouth.

344 ([5]4) Except as described above, other permanent rules apply except for those areas within the  
345 Columbia River Zone which are subject to annual regulations described in OARs 635-023-0095, 635-  
346 023-0125, 635-023-0128, and 635-023-0130 and those areas within the Central Zone which are subject  
347 to any permanent rule modifications within OAR 635-018-0090.

348 ([6]5) Nothing in this rule precludes the Department from recommending or enacting, as needed for  
349 conservation purposes, protective measures for Columbia River steelhead not described in this rule.

350 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

351 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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353 **635-023-0095**

354 **Sturgeon Season**

355 The 202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations provide requirements for the Columbia River Zone and  
356 the Snake River Zone. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to  
357 time, and, to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the 202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing  
358 Regulations.



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359 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

360 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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362 **635-023-0125**

363 **Spring Sport Fishery**

364 The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Columbia River Zone and  
365 the Snake River Zone. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to  
366 time, and, to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing**  
367 **Regulations.**

368 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

369 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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371 **635-023-0128**

372 **Summer Sport Fishery**

373 The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Columbia River Zone and  
374 the Snake River Zone. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to  
375 time, and, to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing**  
376 **Regulations. Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

377 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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379 **635-023-0130**

380 **Fall Sport Fishery**

381 The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Columbia River Zone and  
382 the Snake River Zone. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to  
383 time, and, to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing**  
384 **Regulations. Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

385 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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387 **635-023-0134**

388 **Snake River Fishery**

389 The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Snake River Zone.  
390 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time, and, to the extent  
391 of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations.**

392 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

393 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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395 **635-023-0140**

396 **Youngs Bay Control Zone**

397 (1) The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for the Columbia River Zone.  
398 However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time, and, to the extent  
399 of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations.**

400 (2) The Youngs Bay Control Zone is closed to recreational angling from August 1 through September 15.

401 (a) The Youngs Bay Control Zone is defined as those waters southerly of a line originating on the  
402 Oregon shore at the east end of the seawall at the Warrenton Fiber log yard (approximately river  
403 mile 10.1) northeasterly through green navigation buoys 29, 31, 33, and 35A to the center of the  
404 Astoria-Megler Bridge abutment adjacent to, and north of the ship channel, and continuing  
405 southerly in line with the center of the Megler Bridge span to the Oregon shore.

406 (b) The Youngs Bay Control Zone includes all waters from the line defined in section (2)(a) above  
407 south to the Highway 101 Bridge.

408 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

409 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

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Division 39

MARINE ZONE FISH, SHELLFISH AND MARINE INVERTEBRATES SPORT REGULATIONS

635-039-0080

Purpose and Scope

(1) The purpose of Division 039 is to provide for management of sport fisheries for marine fish, shellfish, and marine invertebrates in the Pacific Ocean, coastal bays, and beaches over which the State has jurisdiction.

(2) Division 039 incorporates into Oregon Administrative Rules, by reference:

(a) The sport fishing regulations of the State, included in the document entitled **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**;

(b) Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 300, Subpart E (October 1, 2021 ed.), as amended; and

(c) Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 660, Subpart G (October 1, 2021 ed.), as amended.

(3) Therefore, persons must consult all publications referenced in this rule in addition to Division 011 and Division 039 to determine all applicable sport fishing requirements for marine fish, shellfish and marine invertebrates.

**Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146

**Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162

635-039-0090

Inclusions and Modifications

(1) The **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** provide requirements for sport fisheries for marine fish, shellfish, and marine invertebrates in the Pacific Ocean, coastal bays, and beaches, commonly referred to as the Marine Zone. However, additional regulations may be adopted in this rule division from time to time and to the extent of any inconsistency, they supersede the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**.

(2) For the purposes of this rule, a "sport harvest guideline" is defined as a specified numerical harvest objective that is not a quota. Attainment of a harvest guideline does not automatically close a fishery. Upon attainment of a sport harvest guideline, the Department shall initiate consultation to determine if additional regulatory actions are necessary to achieve management objectives. The following sport harvest guidelines include the combined landings and other fishery related mortality by the Oregon sport fishery in a single calendar year:

(a) Black rockfish, 389.1 metric tons;

(b) Blue rockfish and deacon rockfish combined: 71.2 metric tons;

(c) Other Nearshore Rockfish combined: 10.5 metric tons;

(d) Cabezon, 18.6 metric tons; and

(e) Greenling, 34.4 metric tons.

(3) For the purposes of this rule, "Other nearshore rockfish" means the following rockfish species: black and yellow (*Sebastes chrysomelas*); brown (*S. auriculatus*); calico (*S. dalli*); China (*S. nebulosus*); copper (*S. caurinus*); gopher (*S. carnatus*); grass (*S. rastrelliger*); kelp (*S. atrovirens*); olive (*S. serranoides*); quillback (*S. maliger*); and treefish (*S. serriceps*).

(4) In addition to the regulations for Marine Fish in the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**, the following apply for the sport fishery in the Marine Zone:

(a) Lingcod (including green colored lingcod): 2 fish daily bag limit.

(b) All rockfish ("sea bass" "snapper"), greenling ("sea trout"), cabezon, skates, and other marine fish species not listed in the **202[2]3 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations** in the Marine Zone, located under the category of Finfish Species, General Marine Species: 5 fish daily bag limit in aggregate (total sum or number), of which no more than one may be a China rockfish or copper rockfish in aggregate, and no more than one may be a cabezon, when retention of cabezon is allowed. Retention of the following species is prohibited:

(A) Yelloweye rockfish;



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- 463 (B) Cabezon from January 1 through June 30; and  
464 (C) Quillback rockfish.
- 465 (c) Flatfish (flounder, sole, sanddabs, turbot, and all halibut species except Pacific halibut): 25 fish  
466 daily bag limit in aggregate (total sum or number).
- 467 (d) Except as specified in subsection (4)(d)(A), retention of all marine fish listed under the  
468 category of Finfish Species, General Marine Species, except Pacific cod, sablefish, flatfish,  
469 herring, anchovy, smelt, sardine, striped bass, hybrid bass, and offshore pelagic species  
470 (excluding leopard shark and soupfin shark), is prohibited when Pacific halibut is retained on the  
471 vessel during open days for the all-depth sport fishery for Pacific halibut when the sport fishery for  
472 general marine species (other than flatfish species) is closed outside of the 40 fathom curve as  
473 specified in subsection (4)(f).
- 474 (A) Persons must also consult all publications referenced in OAR 635-039-0080 to  
475 determine all rules applicable to the taking of Pacific halibut.
- 476 (B) When the all-depth sport fishery for Pacific halibut is open and the sport fishery for  
477 general marine species (other than flatfish species) is closed outside of the 40-fathom  
478 curve as specified in subsection (4)(f), fishing with long-leader gear is allowed on the  
479 same trip as all-depth halibut fishing as follows:
- 480 (i) When rockfish are onboard the vessel, anglers are only allowed to retain the  
481 species listed under subsection (4)(h)(A) and must use longleader gear as defined  
482 in subsection (4)(e)(F);
- 483 (ii) Pacific cod, sablefish, flatfish, herring, anchovy, smelt, sardine, striped bass,  
484 hybrid bass, and offshore pelagic species (excluding leopard shark and soupfin  
485 shark) may be retained while all-depth halibut fishing, prior to retaining any  
486 rockfish species;
- 487 (iii) It is not required to separate all-depth halibut fishing from long-leader fishing by  
488 returning to the dock and offloading fish. A long-leader fishing trip must be  
489 separated from any other fishing trip where groundfish are retained by returning to  
490 the dock and offloading fish; and
- 491 (iv) All other requirements and prohibitions contained within subsection (4)(h)  
492 apply.
- 493 (e) Harvest methods and other specifications for marine fish in subsections (4)(a), (4)(b) and  
494 (4)(c) including the following:
- 495 (A) Minimum length for lingcod, 22 inches.
- 496 (B) Minimum length for cabezon, 16 inches.
- 497 (C) May be taken by angling, hand, bow and arrow, spear, gaff hook, snag hook and  
498 herring jigs.
- 499 (D) Mutilating the fish so the size or species cannot be determined prior to landing or  
500 transporting mutilated fish across state waters is prohibited.
- 501 (E) When angling for groundfish or Pacific halibut in the Pacific Ocean or when in  
502 possession of groundfish or Pacific halibut, all watercraft shall have a functional  
503 descending device on board and shall use a descending device when releasing any  
504 rockfish outside of the 30-fathom curve (defined by latitude and longitude) as shown in  
505 Title 50 Code of Federal Regulations Part 660 Section 71. Upon request, a descending  
506 device shall be presented for inspection by any person authorized to enforce the wildlife  
507 laws or a representative of the Department. In this subsection, "descending device"  
508 means a device capable of returning a rockfish back to a depth of at least 100 feet to  
509 assist the fish in recompression and to improve the fish's chance of survival.
- 510 (F) Long-leader gear means fishing gear with the following: one fishing line, deployed with  
511 a sinker and no more than three hooks, with a minimum of 30 feet (9.14 meters) between  
512 the sinker and the lowest hook, and a non-compressible float attached to the line above  
513 the hooks. The hooks can only be equipped with artificial lures or molded soft plastic or



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- 514 rubber imitations of worms, eggs, insects, bait fish, crayfish, etc. 5 inches or less in length  
515 and/or artificial flies. Natural bait may not be used.
- 516 (f) Sport fisheries for species in subsections (4)(a), (4)(b) and (4)(c) and including leopard shark  
517 and soupfin shark are open January 1 through December 31, twenty-four hours per day, except  
518 as provided in subsections 4(b) and (4)(d). Ocean waters are closed for these species, with the  
519 exception of flatfish species, during July 1 through August 31, outside of the 40-fathom curve  
520 (defined by latitude and longitude) as shown in Title 50 Code of Federal Regulations Part 660  
521 Section 71, except as provided in subsection 4(d) or when fishing with long-leader gear during  
522 such times and in such areas as allowed in federal rule. A 20-fathom, 25-fathom, or 30-fathom  
523 curve, as shown in Title 50 Code of Federal Regulations Part 660 Section 71 may be  
524 implemented as the management line as inseason modifications necessitate. In addition, the  
525 following management lines may be used to set area-specific regulations for inseason action  
526 only:
- 527 (A) Cape Lookout (45°20'30" N latitude); and
  - 528 (B) Cape Blanco (42°50'20" N latitude).
- 529 (g) The Stonewall Bank Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Area (YRCA) is defined by coordinates  
530 specified in Title 50 Code of Federal Regulations Part 660 Section 70 (October 1, 2018 ed.).  
531 Within the YRCA, it is unlawful to fish for, take, or retain species listed in subsections (4)(a), (4)(b)  
532 and (4)(c) of this rule, leopard shark, soupfin shark, and Pacific halibut using recreational fishing  
533 gear. A vessel engaged in recreational fishing within the YRCA is prohibited from possessing any  
534 species listed in subsections (4)(a), (4)(b) and (4)(c) of this rule, leopard shark, soupfin shark, and  
535 Pacific halibut. Recreational fishing vessels in possession of species listed in subsections (4)(a),  
536 (4)(b) and (4)(c) and including leopard shark, soupfin shark, and Pacific halibut may transit the  
537 YRCA without fishing gear in the water.
- 538 (h) On any fishing trip where fishing with long-leader gear (as defined in subsection (4)(e)(F))  
539 occurs seaward of the 40-fathom curve (defined by latitude and longitude) as shown in Title 50  
540 Code of Federal Regulations Part 660 Section 71, the following apply:
- 541 (A) It is unlawful to retain any species in the Groundfish Group other than yellowtail  
542 rockfish (*Sebastes flavidus*), widow rockfish (*S. entomelas*), canary rockfish (*S. pinniger*),  
543 deacon rockfish (*S. diaconus*), blue rockfish (*S. mystinus*), redstripe rockfish (*S. proriger*),  
544 greenstriped rockfish (*S. elongatus*), chilipepper rockfish (*S. goodei*), bocaccio rockfish (*S.*  
545 *paucispinis*), or silvergray rockfish (*S. brevispinis*);
  - 546 (B) The daily bag limit is 10 fish in aggregate for the species listed in section (4)(h)(A);
  - 547 (C) A long-leader fishing trip must be separated from any other fishing trip where  
548 groundfish are retained by returning to the dock and offloading fish, except as specified in  
549 subsection (4)(d)(B)(iii);
  - 550 (D) It is unlawful for an angler who retained fish on a long-leader fishing trip to retain more  
551 than 10 fish in aggregate of the species listed in subsection (4)(b) in the same day;
  - 552 (E) It is unlawful to fish for any species in the Groundfish Group, including those listed in  
553 subsection (4)(h)(A), inside of the 40-fathom curve or with gear that is not long-leader  
554 gear as defined in subsection (4)(e)(F); and
  - 555 (F) Federal rules governing the long-leader fishery will supersede these rules to the extent  
556 of any inconsistency, including the definition of long-leader gear.
- 557 (5) Take of abalone prohibited, twenty-four hours per day, in all Oregon waters until March 17, 2024.  
558 ~~[(6) Take of all species of seastars is prohibited.~~
- 559 ~~[(7) The daily limit for European Green Crab is 35 per day.]~~
- 560 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138 & ORS 496.146  
561 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.162