
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

June 30, 2015

Compact Action

The Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington met today and took the following actions:

Treaty Indian Fisheries

Summer Gillnet Commercial Salmon Fishery

- Allowed commercial sales of fish landed in the following fishery:

Season: 6:00 AM Monday July 6 to 6:00 PM Wednesday July 8, 2015 (2½ days)

Area: All of Zone 6.

Gear: Gill nets. 7-inch minimum mesh size restriction.

Allowable Sales: Salmon, steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish, and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence use.

Sturgeon may not be sold. Sturgeon between 43-54 inches in fork length in The Dalles and John Day pools and sturgeon between 38-54 inches in fork length in Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence use.

Fish landed during open fishing periods may be sold after the period concludes.

Sanctuaries: All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries applicable to gillnet gear, except the Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary will not be in effect.

Washington Reporting Rule: 24-hour quick reporting required for Washington wholesale dealers, per WAC 220-69-240. Landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket.

Joint State Action

The states of Oregon and Washington discussed the following recreational fisheries and took the following actions:

Mainstem Columbia River Recreational Summer Chinook Fishery

- Modified the ongoing mainstem recreational fisheries. Modifications are in **bold**.

Season: June 16 through **Friday July 31**, 2015.

Area: Astoria-Megler Bridge upstream to the Bonneville Dam deadline.

Catch Limits: Two adult salmonids per day. All sockeye are included in the adult daily limit and must be recorded as adults on the combined angling tag. Chinook and steelhead must be adipose fin-clipped.

Effective July 3, 2015 the daily bag limit is: Two adult salmonids per day, only one of which may be a Chinook, and five jack Chinook. Chinook do not have to be adipose fin-clipped; steelhead must be adipose fin-clipped. All sockeye are included in the adult daily limit and must be recorded as adults on the combined angling tag.

Area: Bonneville Dam upstream to the OR/WA border.

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The following additional regulations apply to both fisheries above:

Additional Regulations: Anglers fishing for salmon, steelhead or sturgeon in the Columbia River and its tributaries are required to have a Columbia River Basin endorsement. See a [map of the Basin and get more information](#).

All other permanent regulations remain in effect, including catch limits for jacks and the use of barbless hooks when fishing for salmon, steelhead, or trout.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A fall season Compact hearing is scheduled for 10 AM Wednesday July 29, 2015 at the Clark Regional Wastewater District, 8000 NE 52nd Court, Vancouver, Washington 98665 to consider treaty and non-Indian commercial fisheries in the Columbia River and Select Areas.
- For information concerning these decisions see the June 30, 2015 Summer Fact Sheet #2 at: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.asp