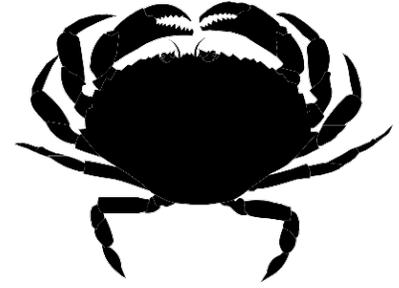




# Recent Crab Industry Proposed Changes Feedback Survey



## Your Representation

a. **What category best describes your role/interest in the Oregon crab industry?**

*(check all that apply)*

Crab permit holder

Fishing vessel operator

Deckhand

Crab Buyer

Other

b. **What is your home port or location of business?**

c. *(Permit holders only)* **What pot tier do you fish?***(check all that apply)*

200

300

500

NA

d. *(Permit holder and buyers only)* **In the last 5 years, what month have you most often stopped crabbing?**

## Industry Proposals

1. *Request:* Allowance for partial offloading to provide more flexibility to sell to different markets. Partial offloading is defined as offloading only a portion of crab and going back to sea to continue crabbing with crab still on board.

*Management concerns:* Undermines biotoxin crab traceability; inaccurate logbook effort and fish ticket accounting; non-representative dock-side sampling; undermines summer trip limits; easier to miss off book sales; increased wastage.

**Do you support creating an allowance for partial offloading in the crab fishery with the following conditions: prohibition during all HAB events, prohibition during the summer season, requirements for declaration process and additional reporting, and requirements to allow sampling and inspection of crab inside the hold between offloads?** *(check one)*      Yes      No      Unsure

**Why?**

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2. *Request:* Allowance for switching buoy tags at-sea to avoid bringing gear back to shore to change out tags.

*Management concerns:* Undermines gear tampering regulations.

**Do you support creating an allowance for switching buoy tags at-sea with a one-time waiver issued by ODFW to the vessels involved that would specify terms and conditions, including vessels responsible for any gear left out?**

(check one)      Yes      No      Unsure

**Why?**

3. *Request:* Allowance for retaining crab from derelict gear recovered after May 1 from outside 40 fathoms and/or that does not have late-season tags, to incentivize removal of gear.

*Management concerns:* Creates potential short-term loophole to use gear outside 40fa or without late-season tags after May 1.

**Do you support creating an allowance for retaining crab in derelict gear recovered after May 1 from outside 40 fathoms or without late-season tags?**

(check one)      Yes      No      Unsure

**Why?**

4. **Do you have any other proposed regulatory changes or comments about crab fishery management that you would like ODFW to consider?**

*To submit responses, please email form to [Kelly.C.Corbett@odfw.oregon.gov](mailto:Kelly.C.Corbett@odfw.oregon.gov) or mail to Marine Resources Program, 2040 Marine Science Drive, Newport, OR 97365 by December 31, 2022.*