PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE
NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
31912 Little Boston Rd. NE – Kingston, WA 98346

Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
On-Reservation Annual Coho Regulations
#F2014-04

These regulations apply to all On-Reservation commercial fisheries in Area 9A. Regulations for all other Port Gamble S'Klallam Usual and Accustomed areas are promulgated by the Point No Point Treaty Council and should be consulted prior to fishing in those areas.

SECTION I: GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Area:

Catch reporting Area 9A, described as follows: Port Gamble Bay (south of a line drawn from the Pope and Talbot Mill stack to Point Julia) and east of a line drawn between the Port Gamble navigation lights, north of Point Julia to the northern end of the reservation.

2. Management Period:
August 17, through November 1, 2014.

3. Open Period:
North Point Julia:
Open Weekly from 6:00 AM Sunday to 12:00 PM Friday; Closed Friday 12:01 PM to Sunday 5:59 AM.
South Point Julia:
Open 6:00 AM Sunday, August 17, 2013 to 12:00 PM Saturday, November 1, 2014.

4. Lawful Gear:
a. Set gillnets: 200 feet minimum length with maximum lengths of:
North of Point Julia: 600 feet except for site #1 which is 300 feet
South of Point Julia: 900 feet except for on reservation which is 600 feet.
Maximum depth of 35 meshes. Minimum 5" stretched mesh.

b. Hand held gear: Hook and line, hand-dip net, gaff and snag lines as defined in section 17.01.03; (sub-sections t, v and w) of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe Fishing Code.

SECTION II: GEAR AND AREA RESTRICTIONS

1. Gear Deployment

a. No net or part of a net may be set within 300 feet of any other net.

b. All nets set north of Pt. Julia must have one net end fastened or anchored to the shore at or above the MHHW line.

c. All set net fishers must follow the rotation schedule in which is as follows:

i. An initial rotation lottery drawing will establish the rotation list.

ii. The fisher whose name is on the rotation list for any of the rotation sites, is required to be present for the setting and lifting of the net.

iii. Each net is to be moved 4 sites forward (North) on Sunday each week.

iv. If a site is open (no net present) after 1:00 p.m. on Monday, any eligible fisher can set in that site so long as they inform the fisheries staff no later than noon on the next day at which time their name will be listed for that site in the current rotation only and will revert back to their original rotation list at the end of the switched rotation.

d. It shall be unlawful to set a gillnet in marine waters in a manner which blocks more than half of the entrance to any stream at any tide level.

e. Nets must not be attached to navigation lights, the tribal pier or to any part of the salmon net pens in Port Gamble Bay. Nets must also not be attached to private piers, docks, or bulkheads without prior permission of the owner.

f. In the north end of Port Gamble Bay, no gillnet may be operated in that part of Area 9A, south of Pt. Julia and north of a straight east-west line drawn between the tribal fisheries markers, except by Tribal fisheries staff for the benefit of the Tribe.

2. Miscellaneous:

a. All buoys and the third float from shore must be clearly marked with the fishers name and ID number.

b. It is unlawful to discard or abandon gillnets in any body of water capable of supporting salmon or steelhead. Nets not clearly marked and/or not attended within a 24 hour period will be considered abandoned and shall be confiscated.

c. During the month of September, all Chum and Chinook salmon captured alive by hand held gear, as defined in Section I.4 above, must be released unharmed back to the water where captured. If dead, Chum and Chinook must be retained for sampling.

d. All fish landed must be made available to PGST Fisheries Staff for sampling.

e. Fishers are reminded that all catch data must be reported to the Tribe's fisheries office within 24 hours of any sale and take home catch must be clearly indicated on the tickets.

SECTION III. EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

Openings and restrictions outlined in these regulations may be modified at any time by emergency regulations based on in-season management considerations.

SECTION IV. EFFORT AND HARVEST

1. The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe expects and intends to take its full lawful share of harvestable salmon.

2. The expected effort will be submitted separately.

SECTION IV. AUTHORITY

This regulation is promulgated by the Port Gamble S'Klallam Fisheries Manager under the authority of Section 17.8.3 of the Port Gamble S'Klallam title 17 Fishing Code adopted July 12, 1994 (revised Sept. 19, 2006).

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