

SUQUAMISH SHRIMP FISHERY REGULATION

REGULATION NUMBER 09-019S

DATE: April 10, 2009

EFFECTIVE DATES: Effective April 16, 2009 until modified.

SPECIES: Spot shrimp

FISHERY TYPE: Commercial

REGULATION MODIFIED: NONE

SPOT SHRIMP HARVEST SEASONS, LOCATIONS AND QUOTAS

Management Region 1 (CMR 1)

Catch reporting areas: 1A (20B, 22A west) - maximum quota 30,716 pounds

Open: 8:00AM Thursday, April 16, 2009

Closed: 2:00PM Thursday April 16, 2009

Maximum pots per vessel: 40

Management Region 3 (CMR 3)

Catch reporting areas: 23A East - maximum quota 8,250 pounds

Open: 8:00AM Thursday, April 16, 2009

Closed: 2:00PM Thursday April 16, 2009

Maximum pots per vessel: 40

Boats are assigned to one area and must remain in that area throughout the duration of the opening. Please refer to the attached list of participating vessels and their assigned area.

EFFORT (all regions): 8 vessels

HARVEST AMOUNT: Will not exceed the amount agreed to in the Regions 1 and 3 Management Plans for the 2009-10 season.

Setting and pulling shrimp pots is permitted from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset daily.

CATCH AREA DESCRIPTION

Region 3

Sub-Area 23AE (east): Those waters of Catch Area 23A and the described portion of 22A north of a line projected 48.22.50' °N latitude east of a line projected 122.57°W longitude.

Sub-Area 23AW (west): Those waters of Catch Area 23A and the described portion of 22A north of a line projected 48.22.50' °N latitude and west of a line projected 122.57°W longitude.

Sub-Area 23AC (central): Those waters of Catch Area 23A, south of a line projected 48.22.50' °N latitude and east of a line projected 335 degrees true from the Dungeness lighthouse

Sub-Area 23AS (south) and 23D: Those waters of Catch Area 23A, west of a line projected 335 degrees true from the Dungeness lighthouse, and those waters of Catch Area 23D southerly of Catch Area 23AS (south) and easterly of Catch Area 23C and westerly of a line from the Dungeness light to the vessel traffic service buoy north of Dungeness light.

Catch Area 23B Those waters southerly of Catch Area 22A; easterly of Catch Area 23AE; and northerly of a line due west from Partridge Point, Whidbey Island to its intersection with Catch Area 23A.

Catch Area 23C: Those waters westerly of Catch Area 23AS and a line due north from the Ediz Hook light to the international boundary; and easterly of a line projected due north from the mouth of the Sekiu River.

Catch Area 25A: Those waters of Puget Sound south of Catch Areas 23AW and 23B; east of Catch Area 23D; north of a line projected from Diamond Point to Cape George, and westerly of a line projected from Point Partridge on Whidbey Island to Point Wilson.

Catch Area 25E: Those waters of Discovery Bay south of Catch Area 25A.

Catch Area 29: Those waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca west of Catch Area 23C and east of a line projected from the Bonilla Point light on Vancouver Island to the Tatoosh Island light, then to the most westerly point of Cape Flattery.

Region 1

Management Areas

Shrimp Management Area 1A: The portion of Crustacean Management Region 1 which includes all waters of Catch Area 20B west of a line from Point Doughty on Orcas Island to the bell buoy at the international boundary, and all waters of Catch Area 22A west of a line projected true north and south from the western tip of Crane Island, west of a line projected from the number 2 buoy at the entrance to Fisherman Bay to the southern tip of Shaw Island.

Shrimp Management Area 1B: That portion of Crustacean Management Region 1 which includes all waters of Catch Area 20B east of a line from Point Doughty on Orcas Island to the bell buoy at the international boundary, and all waters of Catch Area 22A east of a line projected true north and south from the western tip of Crane Island, east of a line projected from the number 2 buoy at the entrance to Fisherman Bay to the southern tip of Shaw Island, and east of a line projected true south from Point Colville, and all waters of Catch Area 21A north and west of a line from the southern tip of Sinclair Island to Carter Point on Lummi Island.

Shrimp Management Area 1C: That portion of Crustacean Management Region 1 which includes all waters of Catch Areas 20A, 21B, 22B, and all waters of Catch Area 21A not included in Shrimp Management Area 1B.

Marine Fish/Shellfish Catch and Reporting Areas (Catch Areas):

Catch Area 20A: Those waters of Puget Sound north of a line projected from Village Point, Lummi Island through the navigation buoy just east of Matia Island thence to the buoy at Clements Reef thence to the easternmost point of Patos Island and from the westernmost point of Patos Island due east to the international boundary; and west of a line from Point Francis through the marker north of Inati Bay, Lummi Island to Lummi Island.

Catch Area 20B: Those waters of Puget Sound southerly of Catch Area 20A, westerly of a line from Lummi Island through Lummi Rocks to the northernmost tip of Sinclair Island to Lawrence Point on Orcas Island and a line which runs from Steep Point on Orcas Island to Limestone Point on San Juan Island and then to Green Point on the eastern tip of Spieden Island true west to the international boundary.

Catch Area 21A: Those waters of Puget Sound southerly and easterly of Catch Areas 20A and 20B, and westerly of a line from William Point to Governor's Point, and northerly of a line from William Point to the southernmost tip of Vendovi Island to the Sinclair Island light.

Catch Area 21B: Those waters of Puget sound easterly of and adjacent to Catch Area 21A.

Catch Area 22A:

Original Description: Those waters of Puget Sound south of Area 20B, westerly of 122°

40' W between Sinclair Island and Fidalgo Island and the Deception Pass Bridge; northerly of a line due east from the international boundary to a point 1 nautical mile from Pile Point, San Juan Island, thence southeasterly along a line 1 nautical mile from the southern shores of San Juan Island and Lopez Island to Davidson Rock near Point Colville, then easterly to a point one nautical mile south of the buoy at Lawson Reef and than due east to Whidbey Island.

2001 Boundary Change: For purposes of shrimp harvest allocation and catch reporting, the following portion of Catch Area 22A was moved to Catch Area 23A (Region 3): All waters of Catch Area 22A south of a line due east from the international boundary to Lime Kiln Point light on San Juan Island, then south of the shores of San Juan Island, then south of a line from Cattle Point to Davis Point on Lopez Island, then south of the shores of Lopez Island to Point Colville, then southwesterly of a line from Point Colville on Lopez Island to a point one nautical mile south of the buoy at Lawson Reef and than due east to Whidbey Island.

Current Description: Those waters of Puget Sound south of Catch Area 20B, westerly of 122° 40' W between Sinclair Island and Fidalgo Island and the Deception Pass Bridge; north of a line due east from the international boundary to Lime Kiln Point light on San Juan Island, north of a line from Cattle Point on San Juan Island to Davis Point on Lopez Island, northeasterly of a line from Point Colville on Lopez Island to a point one nautical mile south of the buoy at Lawson Reef and than due east to Whidbey Island

Catch Area 22B: Those waters of Puget Sound south of Catch Area 21A, east of 22A, and north of the railroad bridges at Swinomish Channel.

Closed Areas - San Juan Island Marine Preserves:

1. False Bay: The tidelands and bedlands of False Bay on San Juan Island, including all University of Washington-owned tidelands beginning at a marker 400' east of the east entrance of False Bay and extending to the entrance of False Bay, all University of Washington-owned tidelands and bedlands within a line beginning at the University of Washington marker on the shore at the east entrance of False Bay, projected 500 yards offshore, then northwesterly to a point 500 yards offshore along a line projected from a University of Washington marker on the shore at the west side of a small peninsula at the west entrance of False Bay, then to shore along the line to the marker, and all University of Washington-owned tidelands west of the marker to a University of Washington marker 600' west of the small peninsula.

2. Friday Harbor: Those tidelands and bedlands adjacent to San Juan Island within a line beginning on the shore 500 yards north of Point Caution, then 500 yards offshore, then south and east following the shoreline to the intersection with a line projected from a University of Washington marker located 100' north of the north entrance of the floating breakwater of the Port of Friday Harbor and projected towards Reid Island, then along the line to shore on San Juan Island.

3. Argyle Lagoon: Those University of Washington-owned tidelands and all bedlands enclosed by the inner spit of Argyle Lagoon on San Juan Island.

4. Yellow and Low Islands: All tidelands and bedlands within 300 yards of Yellow Island and 300 yards of Low Island.

5. Shaw Island: Those tidelands and bedlands within a line beginning at a University of Washington marker on the shore at Hicks Bay, 122° 58', 15" west longitude, then due south 500 yards, then north and west at a distance of 500 yards from shore to the intersection with a line projected true from a University of Washington marker on the shore of Parks Bay, which line passes just south of the unnamed island at the north end of Parks Bay, then along the line to the shore of Shaw Island, including all tidelands and bedlands of Parks Bay south of the line.

HARVEST REGULATIONS

Pot Fishery Regulations

1) A minimum carapace length of 30 mm (1 3/16 inches), caliper measurement, from the top back edge of the carapace to the base of the eye-stalk (posterior mid-dorsal margin to the posterior most part of the eye-stalk orbit) for all spot shrimp retained. Minimum mesh size for all pots require that 7/8 inch square peg can pass through without changing the shape of the opening. All pot gear must be equipped with biodegradable escape mechanisms which include at least one of the following methods:

- a) Attachment of pot lid hooks or tie-down straps with a single strand or loop of untreated cotton twine no larger than thread size 120 so that the pot lid will open freely if the twine or fiber is broken.
- b) An opening in the pot mesh not less than three inches by five inches which is laced or sewn closed with untreated cotton twine no larger than thread size 120. The opening must be located within the top half of the pot and be unimpeded by the entry tunnels, bait boxes, or any other structures or materials.

2) All unattended pot gear must be attached to durable buoys that remain floating on the water's surface except during extreme tidal conditions. Buoys shall not be yellow or red and white and shall be noticeably marked with the fisher's Tribal ID number (i.e: 58XXX).

3) All buoys shall be constructed of durable material excluding plastic or metal bottles and other containers. The buoy line shall be weighed to keep the line from floating.

4) Setting and pulling shrimp pots is allowed from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset, only.

HARVEST REPORTING

All shrimp harvesters, both commercial and subsistence, must provide daily harvest information to the fisheries office. Fisheries manager may request more frequent reporting as Treaty allocations near completion. Commercial pot harvest information shall include the following: date, vessel name, number of pots fished, mesh size, pot soak times, Catch area, location fished (nearest landmark or Bay), and pounds landed.

All commercial shrimp pot landings must be recorded on receiving tickets as whole weight. If shrimp are sold as tails, without heads, the tail weight shall be recorded and the ticket marked to indicate that tails were purchased. The respective management authorities shall multiply all tail weights by 2.22 (55 percent head weight) for in-season management and catch accounting purposes, in absence of more recent agreed analyses.

EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

The above regulation may be amended at any time by emergency regulations.

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Thursday April 16 8AM - 2PM, 40**pots**

| 1A | Boat # | Boat Name |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|
| Dave Sigo | WN-174-SUN | Sundowner |
| Misty Sigo (Dave) | WN-231-SUN | |
| Ray Forsman | WN-168-SUN | Admiral |
| Duran George (Ray) | WN-180-SUN | New Kid |
| John Bagley | WN-098-SUN | Water Dog |

| 23A East | Boat # | Boat Name |
|------------------------|------------|------------|
| Luther Mills Jr (JJ) | WN-114-SUN | Sea Spirit |
| Kevin Alexander (Phil) | WN-036-SUN | Old Glory |
| Phil Holt | WN-107-SUN | Stephie J |

Tuesday April 21 8AM - Noon, 40 pots

| 23A West | Boat # | Boat Name |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Luther Mills Jr. (JJ) | WN-114-SUN | Sea Spirit |
| John Bagley | WN-098-SUN | Water Dog |

| 23A Central | Boat # | Boat Name |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|
| Ray Forsman | WN-168-SUN | Admiral |
| Duran George (Ray) | WN-180-SUN | New Kid |

| 23B | Boat # | Boat Name |
|------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Phil Holt | WN-107-SUN | Stephie J |
| Kevin Alexander (Phil) | WN-036-SUN | Old Glory |
| Dave Sigo | WN-174-SUN | Sundowner |
| Misty Sigo (Dave) | WN-231-SUN | |