

Department of Fish and Game

DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES Soldotna Office

May 20, 2022

TO ALL FISHERMEN, PROCESSORS AND BUYERS OF UPPER COOK INLET SALMON:

As the 2022 fishing season is rapidly approaching, this is an appropriate time to remind you of some important catch reporting requirements.

Catch reporting responsibilities for the 2022 season will be the same as in previous years. Catch figures need to be reported to ADF&G no later than 12:00 noon on the day following a fishing period. Early reports are very much appreciated. The sooner you can summarize and tabulate your purchases and report these figures to us, the more lead time we will be able to provide in announcing additional fishing periods, if warranted. In addition to the call-in, emailed, or faxed reports, **the yellow ADF&G copy of all paper fish tickets and the ADF&G copy of E-landings or T-landings tickets must be mailed or dropped off to our office within 7 days after landing**. Please note that all salmon retained for personal use by fishermen need to be reported on a fish ticket and included in your report to ADF&G. A sample paper fish ticket and electronic fish ticket have been included in this packet for those not familiar with how fish tickets are to be filled out.

ADF&G is keenly aware of the logistical challenges many of you face in receiving fish at your plant or buying stations and then getting all of this information recorded on fish tickets. You and your fishermen operate in an environment where accurate determination of pounds of fish is critical. While ADF&G supports this effort, it is just as important to accurately report the number of fish you purchase. In fact, the following statute (16.05.690(a)) and regulation (5 AAC 39.130) legally obligate you to accurately report **<u>numbers</u>** of fish. If physically counting the number of fish you purchase is just too time consuming, then please sub-sample during each fishing period to determine the average weight, i.e., count and weigh one hundred fish or count and weigh a tote to determine an average weight per fish per species. These data are critical to the department so we can make important in season management decisions about various fisheries. The common practice of dividing the total weight of a fishermen's catch by a "guess" of the average weight per species (for example, 6lbs or 7lbs for sockeye salmon) **is not acceptable**.

All fishermen are reminded that a catcher-seller permit allows you to sell your unprocessed catch to the public. To be classified as unprocessed, you may gut, gill, and ice your catch, but nothing further. Catcher-seller permits can be obtained from ADF&G by visiting this site: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishlicense.sellers</u>. Once this process is completed, you will be issued fish tickets and a small metal plate that has your catcher/seller number on it. All fish sold by you must be recorded on a fish ticket following the same reporting requirements listed above, including your catcher-seller permit number. To apply for a new catcher-seller permit, go to this link: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/license/fishing/pdfs/revenue_online_application_walkthru_cs.pdf</u>. For your convenience, we have included a catcher-seller application form in this packet (Figure 7).

Following is a brief outlook of the 2022 fishing season. For the entire outlook, please visit the UCI web page at: https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/applications/dcfnewsrelease/1361148761.pdf.

A run of approximately 4.97 million sockeye salmon is forecasted to return to Upper Cook Inlet in 2022, with an expected harvest by all user groups of 2.97 million fish. The commercial fishery harvest for UCI in 2022 is estimated

to be approximately 1.4 million sockeye salmon, which is 1.3 million fish less than the 20-year average annual commercial sockeye salmon harvest of 2.7 million fish. The sockeye salmon run forecast for the Kenai River is approximately 2.9 million, which is 794,000 less than (21%) the 20-year average run of 3.7 million fish. The Kasilof River sockeye salmon run forecast is 941,000 fish, which is 5% less than the 20-year average but is 168,000 greater (22%) than the 5-year average. The Susitna River sockeye salmon run forecast of 310,000 is 15% less than the 10-year average of 365,000 fish. The Fish Creek sockeye salmon run forecast is 89,000, which is 3,000 fish or 3% greater than the 20-year average run of 86,000 fish.

All Cook Inlet set gillnet fishermen are required to register for one of three Cook Inlet areas prior to fishing. The registration areas are: 1) Upper Subdistrict of Central District; 2) Northern District; or, 3) all remaining areas of Cook Inlet (Greater Cook Inlet). Once registered for one of these three areas, fishermen may fish only in that area for the remainder of the year. No transfers will be permitted. Dual permit holders must register both permits in the same registration area. Set gillnet permit holders fishing in the Northern District or the Greater Cook Inlet area can register in person at department offices in Soldotna, Homer, or Anchorage, or by mail, or electronically (more information about electronic registration can be found in the following paragraph). Mail-in forms are available at area offices or on the department's homepage at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareauci.salmon#management

Fishermen wishing to register in person for the Upper Subdistrict must register in the **Soldotna ADF&G office** and must purchase buoy stickers at the time of registering. Electronic registration and buoy sticker purchasing, formerly offered by UCIERA, can now be done online using your myADFG profile. Detailed instructions for online registration and buoy sticker purchasing can be found online at: https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/fishing/PDFs/commercial/registration_buoys_tags_stickers_guide.pdf. Permit holders will need to create an ADF&G profile to access the new registration/sticker application. If fishermen have any questions about the new online registration process, please contact the Soldotna ADF&G office.

If you have any questions concerning catch reporting or any uncertainties about how to fill out fish tickets or complete the electronic registration process, please contact Stacee Henderson at 260-2910/262-9368 or Alyssa Wood at 260-2916. If you would like an electronic copy of the buyer's report form, please contact our office and we would be happy to email you a copy.

For questions regarding the upcoming fishing season and management scenarios, please contact either Brian Marston (260-2907) or Alyssa Wood (260-2916). As always, the commercial fisheries information line (recorded message) is 262-9611.

Please send all UCI salmon fish tickets and summary forms to:

ATTN: Stacee Henderson

Alaska Department of Fish and Game 43961 Kalifornsky Beach Rd., Suite B Soldotna, AK 99669 email: stacee.henderson@alaska.gov FAX reports to 262-4709 CALL reports to 260-2910 OR 262-9368 (please leave a message during non-business hours)

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Drift Kasilof Corridor only - 244-61						
Drift Full Corridor - 244-55						
Drift Expanded Kenai Corridor 244-52						
Drift Expanded Kasilof Corridor 244-62						
Drift Expanded Full Corridor 244-56						
Drift Anchor Point Section 244-63						
Drift Full Expanded & AP Sec. 244-57						
Drift Kasilof Terminal Area - 244-26						
Upper Subdistrict - Set Net						
Ninikhik - 244-21						
Cohoe - 244-22						
Kasilof Terminal - 244-25						
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West - 246-10						
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Su Flats - 247-41						
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Report by Faxor phone initiduately after the close of each fishing period	
Complete this form and return it along with each period's fish tickets to:	
ADF&G, 43961 K-Beach Road, Suite B, Soldotna, AK 99669	

FAX: 262-4709

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Permit Holder's Signature

Must be signed by CFEC permit holder

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT THESE FISH WERE CAUGHT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ADF&G REGULATIONS.

Vessel Name: for set gillnets, you can leave blank or enter an R. Setnet skiff names are not required here. Drift vessel name <u>must</u> be entered here.

Permit Information: Please, please, please make sure the permit holder name, permit number with check digit, and all numbers from the CFEC card are legible.

Proc. Code: every fish ticket must have this clearly recorded. For catcher-sellers, this is the little plate number you received with your fish tickets and starts with the letter **C**.

Date Caught: if you enter in the wrong date, for example, a day in which the fishery was closed, and then you sign the fish ticket, this is a citable offense.

Statistical Area: Please ensure this is entered and correct. Like the date caught, if you enter a stat area that was closed, you have attested to fishing in closed waters.

Dual Permit No: this is where the second permit from Drift D-boats is entered. Fill out both lines.

Harvest Data: please enter in the no. of fish and pounds of fish; we ask that you don't guess how many fish; at least do a subsample to obtain an average weight that can be divided into the total pounds purchased, which will provide a more accurate number of fish.

Personal Use: all fish not sold, and retained for personal use **must** be recorded here. We only need the number of fish by species, not pounds of fish. All tickets must be signed by the permit holder and the person receiving the fish. For catcher-sellers, only the permit holder needs to sign. Please note that when the permit holder signs the fish ticket they are attesting that the information on the fish ticket is correct.

DUAL Permit Holder's must have second signature somewhere on the ticket if it is 2 separate people.

SYNOPSIS OF JOINT OPERATION OF 200 FATHOMS FOR DRIFT GILLNET FISHERMEN

- 1. D-boat operators do NOT have to register with ADF&G.
- 2. Must display a "D" 12 inches high on both sides of the boat when fishing 200 fathoms of gear.
- 3. Can use up to 200 fathoms in all areas, except the Kasilof River Special Harvest Area. Both permit holders must be aboard anytime 200 fathoms of gear is being fished.
- 4. The "**D**" must be covered if only one permit holder is aboard at any time gear will be deployed. In addition, if only one permit holder is aboard, and the boat is fishing, only 150 fathoms can be on the reel and the additional 50 fathoms (or any amount of gear over 150 fathoms) must be put in a bag and secured.
- 5. If two permit holders are on one vessel, it is allowable to have 200 fathoms of gear on board and on the reel when transiting through areas where the legal limit of gear is less than 200, fathoms as long as no portion of the net is deployed into the water. As of 2017, you may have 200 fathoms of gear on your reel when fishing in the Kasilof River Special Harvest Area, but are limited to fishing only 50 fathoms of gear.

Fish Tickets and D-boat Fishing

Paper fish tickets allow for the identification of the second permit holder's information when drift D-boat fishing. As you can see below, there is a dedicated section on the fish ticket (see red arrow) to check for dual permits. When D-boat fishing occurs, you check the dual permit box and record the second permit holder's permit number and the numbers that occur on the last line of the fisherman's permit card (an example is provided below). Although there is no dedicated location for dual permit holders to sign, the second permit holder <u>MUST</u> sign the fish ticket somewhere on the dual-permit ticket.



Electronic tickets (see below for an example of an e-ticket) allow for the identification of the presence of a second permit holder (a check box). <u>The second permit holder's serial number must either be handwritten or</u> <u>embossed on the ticket and the second permit holder MUST sign the e-ticket in the designated location.</u>

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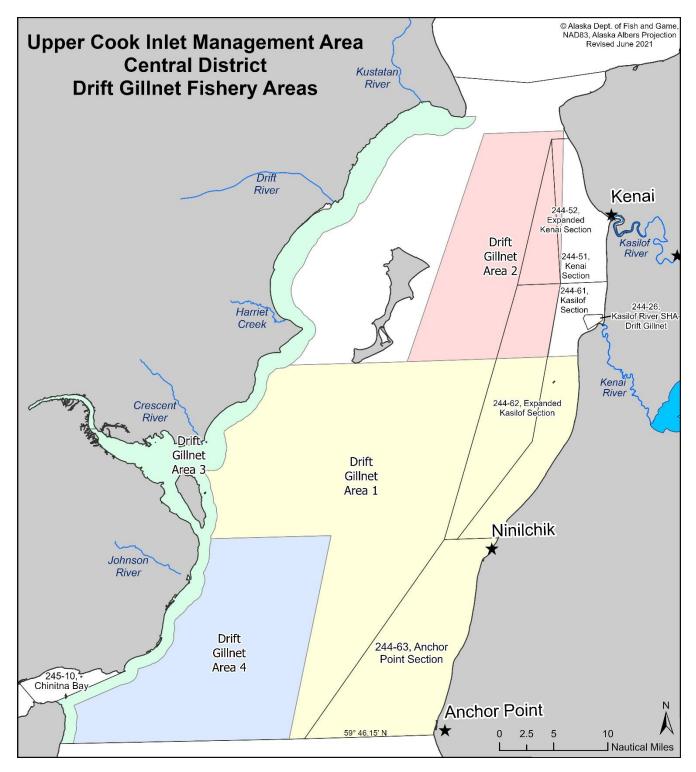
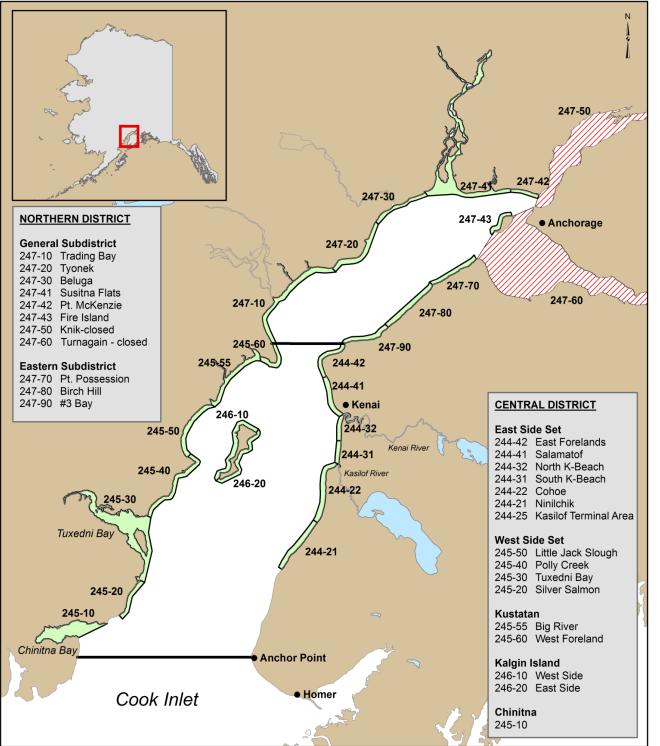


Figure 1. Map of Upper Cook Inlet drift gillnet commercial fishing statistical areas.



Map of Upper Cook Inlet set gillnet commercial fishing statistical areas.

Figure 2.

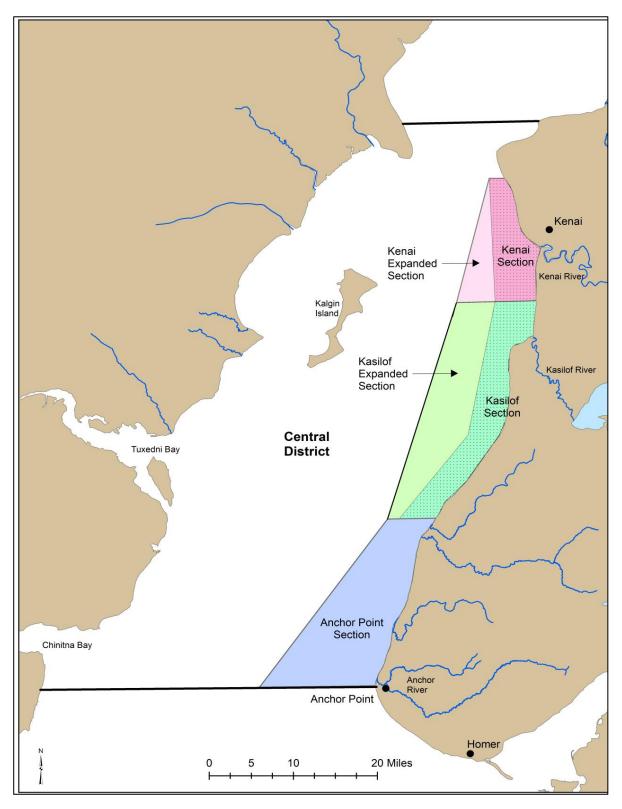
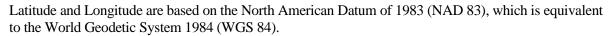


Figure 3. Map of all drift gillnet "corridors" in Upper Cook Inlet.



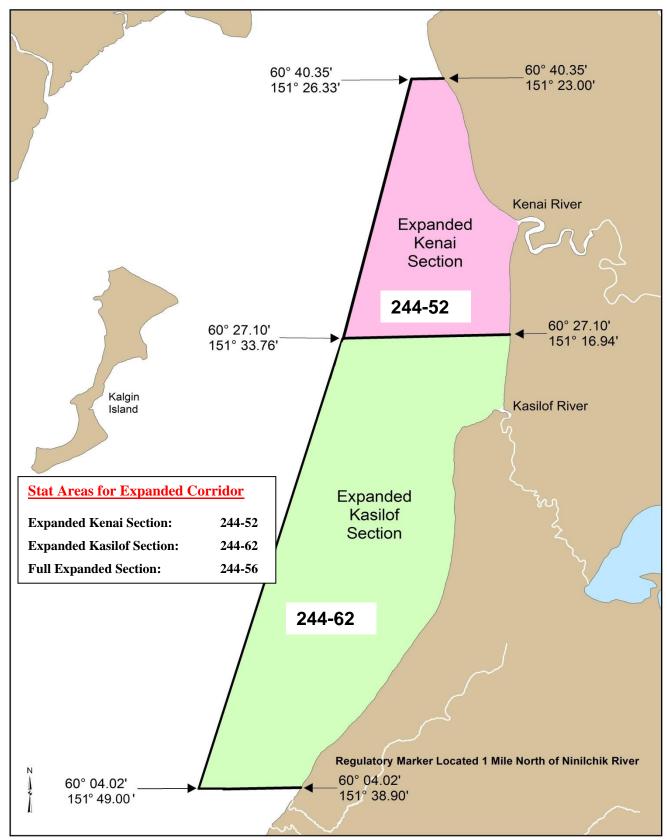


Figure 4. Map of the drift gillnet Expanded Kenai and Expanded Kasilof Sections with waypoint descriptions and statistical area designation.

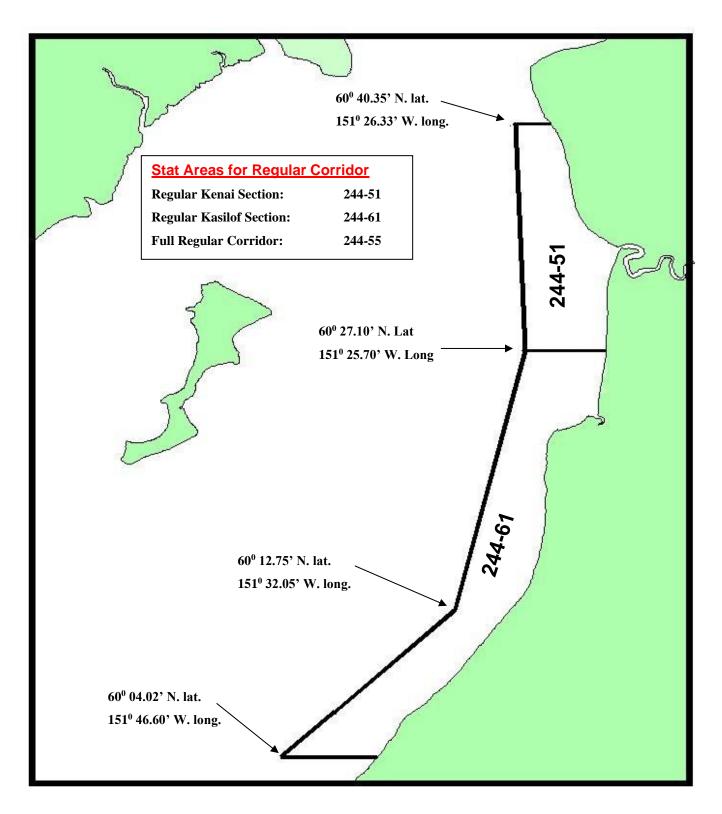


Figure 5. Map of the standard drift gillnet Kenai and Kasilof Sections (regular corridor) with waypoint descriptions.

Latitude and Longitude are based on the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84).

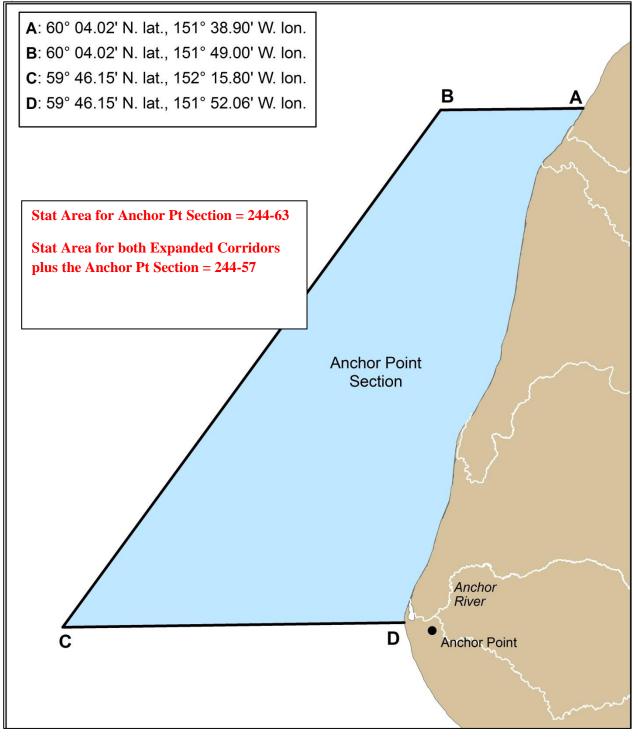


Figure 6. Map of the drift gillnet Anchor Point Section, with waypoint descriptions.

Department of Fish and Game



1255 West 8th Street P.O. Box 115526 Juneau, Alaska 99811-5526 Main: 907.465.4210 Fax: 907.465.2604

Catcher-Seller Permit Application

This is an application for a Catcher-Seller Permit. A catcher-seller is defined in 5 AAC 39.130(o)(4) as "a commercial fisherman who sells or attempts to sell unprocessed fish that were legally taken by the catcher-seller

A) to the general public for use for noncommercial purposes;

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- B) for use as bait for commercial or noncommercial purposes;
- C) to restaurants, grocery stores, and established fish markets;
- D) by shipping the fish to a licensed buyer, processor, or exporter within this state;"

You must submit a \$25 application processing fee along with this application to ADF&G for permit approval. ADF&G payments can be submitted through the ADF&G store located at: <u>https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/Store/</u> or payments can be mailed in along with the application via check or money order. Credit card payments can be submitted on a separate form located on the ADF&G website located at: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishlicense.sellers</u> or called into ADF&G.

Allowable activities are limited to selling fresh, unprocessed resource within the state. Additional activities will require additional permits from other state agencies. Please call (907) 465-6131 if you have any questions.

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Figure 7. Catcher-Seller permit application form (page 1 of 2).

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Prince William Sound	Bristol Bay		
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additional permits and licenses as required by	the State of Alaska.
****Please do not forget to send \$25 paym	ent starting July 1, 2017******
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Mail completed form and payment to: Alaska Dept of Fish & Game, Commercial Fisheries Attn: Seafood Industry Coordinator P.O. Box 115526 Juneau, AK 99811-5526 Or fax to: 907-465-2604

If you have any questions, or to call in your payment please call (907) 465-6131