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5 AAC 28.020. Groundfish area registration.

(c) Before operating groundfish gear within a registration area, the vessel owner, or the owner's authorized agent, shall complete the registration requirements [BY MAIL OR] in person, **or by mail, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail**, at a department office located within the registration area, **unless otherwise specified by the department**. A completed form validated by the department satisfies the registration requirements. In the form, the department may require check-in and check-out procedures for fishing specified **fishing periods or** subsections within the registration area. A copy of the completed form must be retained on board a vessel operating groundfish gear in the registration area.

(d) Before registering for another registration area, the vessel operator shall check out of the current registration area by contacting [,] in person, **or by telephone, facsimile transmission, electronic mail**, or [BY] radio, a department representative at an office located within that registration area. Delay in validation of subsequent registration forms in other areas might result if **check out** [CHECKOUT] has not been accomplished.