

Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game on behalf of board member Johnstone

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Substitute language for Proposal 90

5 AAC 34.185(b)(2) is amended to read:

5 AAC 34.185. Lawful gear for Registration Area D.

(b) During an open commercial king crab season in those waters north and east of a line from Point Manby to Ocean Cape,

...

(2) when the commercial king crab and Tanner crab seasons are open in Registration Area D at the same time, an aggregate of no more than **40 king or** [100 KING AND] Tanner crab pots may be operated from a vessel registered to fish for **both king and Tanner** crab.

5 AAC 35.166 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 AAC 35.166. Area D registration.

(b) A Tanner crab vessel may not be registered in Registration Area D simultaneously as both a pot and ring net vessel. A vessel's registration may be changed during the open Tanner crab season if the owner, or the owner's agent, submits a written request for a change in registration to the department for validation.

5 AAC 35.180(b) is amended to read:

5 AAC 35.180. Lawful gear for Registration Area D.

(b) The following Tanner crab gear limits are in effect in Registration Area D:

(1) [AN AGGREGATE OF] no more than **40** [100] Tanner crab pots [AND RING NETS] may be operated from a vessel registered to fish for Tanner crab **with pot gear**;

(2) **no more than 40 Tanner crab ring nets may be operated from a vessel registered to fish for Tanner crab with ring net gear**;

(3) when both the commercial king and Tanner crab seasons are open in Registration Area D at the same time, an aggregate of no more than 40 [100] king or Tanner crab pots [AND RING NETS] may be operated from a vessel registered to fish for both king and Tanner crab;

5 AAC 35 is amended by adding new sections to read:

5 AAC 35.1XX. Logbooks. (a) In Registration Area D, an operator of a vessel registered to fish using pot gear in the commercial Tanner crab fishery shall complete logbooks provided by the department.

(b) Logbooks described in (a) of this section shall be

(1) updated daily;

(2) sealed in envelopes provided by the department to maintain confidentiality; and

(3) submitted to the primary processor or buyer for attachment to the fish ticket; the processor or buyer shall forward fish tickets with the attached, sealed envelopes containing logbooks to the department in accordance with 5 AAC 39.130.

(c) A catcher-seller described in 5 AAC 39.130 shall attach logbooks described in this section to the department copy of fish tickets.

(d) A person may not make a false entry in the logbook required in (a) of this section.

5 AAC 35.1XX. Reporting requirements for Tanner crab in Registration Area D. In addition to the reporting requirements in 5 AAC 35.075 and 5 AAC 39.130, the commissioner may require an owner or operator of a vessel registered to fish in the commercial Tanner crab fishery in Registration Area D to report to a local representative of the department the following information:

(1) the number of legal male Tanner crab on board the vessel and the number of pot lifts conducted during the fishing period in any fishing area, district, or portion of a district; and

(2) any other information that the commissioner determines is necessary for the conservation and management of the resource; the board directs the commissioner to consult with the fishing industry in developing reporting requirements under this paragraph.