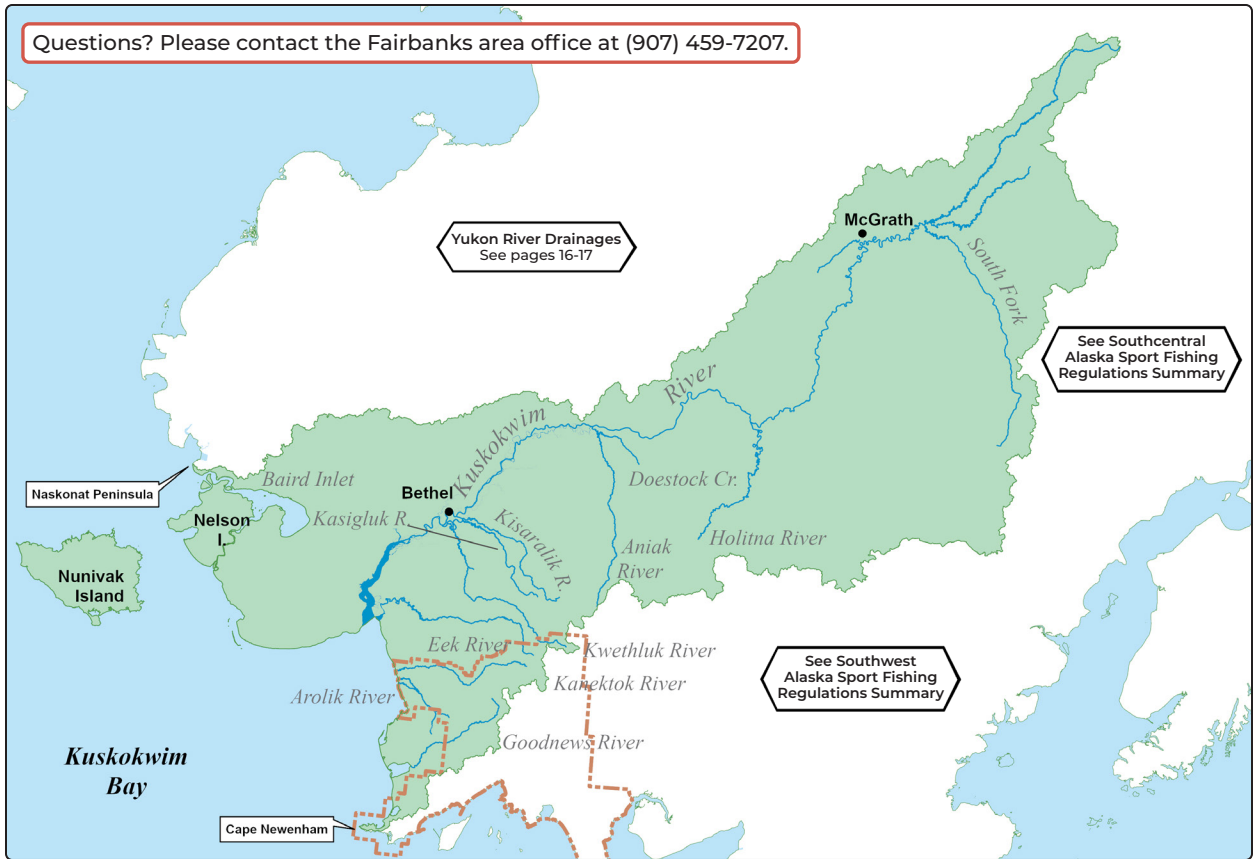


Questions? Please contact the Fairbanks area office at (907) 459-7207.



## GENERAL REGULATIONS - KUSKOKWIM

**Inclusive waters:** The Kuskokwim-Goodnews Area consists of all waters of the Kuskokwim River drainage, and all waters draining into, and including, the Bering Sea and Kuskokwim Bay south of the westernmost point of the Naskonat Peninsula and north of Cape Newenham.

**Fishing is open year-round for all species unless otherwise noted below or in special regulations.**

**Check for emergency orders online at [www.adfg.alaska.gov/sf/EONR](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/sf/EONR) prior to fishing.**

### KING SALMON

- 20 inches or longer: 3 per day, 3 in possession, only 2 of which may be 28 inches or longer.
- Less than 20 inches: 10 per day, 10 in possession.

### OTHER SALMON

- 5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit.

### ARCTIC CHAR, DOLLY VARDEN, & LAKE TROUT

- **All lakes:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, in combination, no size limit.
- **Flowing and salt waters:** 10 per day, 10 in possession, only 2 of which may be 20 inches or longer and only 2 may be lake trout.

### RAINBOW TROUT

- 2 per day, 2 in possession, only 1 of which may be 20 inches or longer.

### ARCTIC GRAYLING

- 5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit.

### SHEEFISH

- 10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit.

### NORTHERN PIKE

- 10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit.

### BURBOT

- 15 per day, 15 in possession, no size limit.

### OTHER FINFISH

- No limit.

### SHELLFISH

- See pages 35-36

### HALIBUT

Pacific halibut fisheries are managed by the federal government under international treaty. See page 7 for federal contact information.

- **Season: February 1-December 31.**
- **Unguided anglers:** 2 per day, 4 in possession.
- **Consult federal regulations for the following:**
  - Bag, possession and size limits, and other regulations for guided (charter) anglers.
- **Filleting requirements for fish cleaned at sea:**
  - No person shall possess on board a vessel, including charter vessels and pleasure craft used for fishing, Pacific halibut that have been filleted, mutilated, or otherwise disfigured in any manner, except that each Pacific halibut may be cut into no more than 2 ventral pieces, 2 dorsal pieces, and 2 cheek pieces, with a patch of skin on each piece, naturally attached.

## METHODS AND MEANS - KUSKOKWIM

### HOOK SIZE:

- Multiple hooks with a gap between point and shank larger than ½ inch may be used for taking fish other than salmon, except where noted.

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**USE OF SPEAR OR BOW AND ARROW:**

- Suckers and burbot may be taken with spear or bow and arrow year-round.
- Northern pike or whitefish (excluding sheefish) may be speared by persons completely submerged year-round.
- **September 1-April 30:** Northern pike or whitefish (excluding sheefish) may be taken by spear or bow and arrow.

**SPECIAL REGULATIONS - KUSKOKWIM**

**ANIAK RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- King salmon:
  - 20 inches or longer: 2 per day, 2 in possession.
  - **There is an annual limit of 2 king salmon 20 inches or longer. If you retain a king salmon 20 inches or longer, you must immediately record that harvest; see page 5.**
- King, sockeye, chum, coho, and pink salmon (in combination): 3 per day, of which no more than 2 may be king salmon.
- Sockeye, chum, coho, and pink salmon (in combination): 3 per day, 3 in possession.
- Rainbow trout: Catch-and-release fishing only. All rainbow trout caught must be released immediately.
- Arctic grayling: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- Sheefish: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- **In flowing waters:**
  - Arctic char/Dolly Varden: 3 per day, 3 in possession, no size limit.
- **In all flowing waters upstream of Doestock Creek:**
  - Only one unbaited, single-hook, artificial lure or fly may be used year-round.

**HOLITNA RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- Arctic grayling: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- Sheefish: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- **In flowing waters:**
  - Arctic char/Dolly Varden: 3 per day, 3 in possession, no size limit.

**KASIGLUK RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- Rainbow trout: 2 per day, 2 in possession, only 1 of which may be 20 inches or longer.
  - **There is an annual limit of 2 rainbow trout 20 inches or longer. If you retain a rainbow trout 20 inches or longer, you must immediately record that harvest; see page 5.**
- **In all flowing waters:**
  - Only one unbaited, single-hook, artificial lure or fly may be used year-round.

**KISARALIK RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- **In all flowing waters downstream of the Akiak Village Lodge site (60° 49.5'N. lat., 160° 55.0'W. long.):**
  - Rainbow trout: 2 per day, 2 in possession, only 1 of which may be 20 inches or longer.
    - **There is an annual limit of 2 rainbow trout 20 inches or longer. If you retain a rainbow trout 20 inches or longer, you must immediately record that harvest; see page 5.**
- **In flowing waters upstream of the Akiak Village Lodge site (60° 49.5' N. lat., 160° 55.0'W. long.):**
  - Only one unbaited, single-hook, artificial lure or fly may be used year-round.
  - Rainbow trout: Catch-and-release fishing only. All rainbow trout caught must be released immediately.

**KUSKOKWIM RIVER DRAINAGE (downstream of a point located ¼ mile upstream of the confluence of the Kuskokwim River with the Holitna River, and all waters draining into Kuskokwim Bay south of the Kuskokwim River):**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- **In flowing waters:**
  - Arctic char/Dolly Varden: 5 per day, 5 in possession, only 2 of which may be 20 inches or longer.
  - Sheefish: 5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit.
  - Northern pike: 5 per day, 5 in possession, only 1 of which may be 30 inches or longer.

**KWETHLUK RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- Rainbow trout limits: 2 per day, 2 in possession, only one of which may be 20 inches or longer.
  - **There is an annual limit of 2 rainbow trout 20 inches or longer. If you retain a rainbow trout 20 inches or longer, you must immediately record that harvest; see page 5.**
- **In flowing waters upstream of the confluence of the Kwethluk River and Pulamaneq (Pocahontas) Creek (60° 31.96'N. lat., 161° 05.47'W. long.):**
  - Only one unbaited, single-hook, artificial lure or fly may be used year-round.

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Rainbow trout from the Kisaralik River.

LOWER KUSKOKWIM AND KUSKOKWIM BAY DRAINAGES



**AROLIK RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- Rainbow trout: 2 per day, 2 in possession, only 1 of which may be 20 inches or longer.
  - **There is an annual limit of 2 rainbow trout 20 inches or longer. If you retain a rainbow trout 20 inches or longer, you must immediately record that harvest; see page 5.**
- Arctic grayling: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- **In all flowing waters:**
  - Arctic char/Dolly Varden 3 per day, 3 in possession, no size limit.

**GOODNEWS RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- Arctic grayling: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- **In all flowing waters:**
  - Arctic char/Dolly Varden 3 per day, 3 in possession, no size limit.
  - Only one unbaited, single-hook, artificial lure or fly may be used year-round.
- **In all flowing waters downstream of the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge wilderness boundary:**
  - No person may sport fish from a boat or the riverbank within 300 feet of a legally operating subsistence gillnet.

**KANEKTOK RIVER DRAINAGE:**

- Open to sport fishing year-round, except for king salmon (see below).
- **May 1-July 25:** King salmon may only be kept during this time.
- Rainbow trout:
  - **June 8-October 31:** Catch-and-release fishing only. All rainbow trout caught must be released immediately.
  - **November 1-June 7:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, only 1 of which may be 20 inches or longer.
- Arctic grayling: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- Sheefish: 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.
- **In all flowing waters:**
  - Arctic char/Dolly Varden: 3 per day, 3 in possession, no size limit.
  - Only one unbaited, single-hook, artificial lure or fly may be used year-round.
- **In all flowing waters downstream of the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge wilderness boundary:**
  - No person may sport fish from a boat or the riverbank within 300 feet of a legally operating subsistence gillnet.



Aniak River and Kipchuk River confluence.