

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-2-08-98

Issued at Palmer: June 15, 1998

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m.
Tuesday, June 16, 1998

Expiration Date: 11:00 p.m. July 13, 1998
Unless superseded by subsequent emergency
order.

EXPLANATION:

The Board of Fisheries delegated authority to the Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to open the Deshka River to king salmon fishing during the 1998 season with special provisions. One of these provisions stipulates that a person who takes a king salmon 16 inches or more in length may not fish for king salmon on the same day. The current regulation addressing this regulation references 5 AAC 61.030 (j), which does not include the Deshka River drainage. This emergency order eliminates reference to 5AAC 61.030 (j), which makes the regulation effective in the Deshka River drainage as intended by the Board of Fisheries and the Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Game.

REGULATION:

5 AAC 61.022 (b) WATERS, SEASONS, AND BAG LIMITS is amended to read:

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(2) (B) Deshka River drainage:

SPECIAL PROVISIONS, (2) A person who takes a king salmon 16 inches or more in length may not fish for king salmon on the same day.

JUSTIFICATION:

This emergency order clarifies a regulation that went into effect when the Deshka River was opened to king salmon fishing for the 1998 season. Modification of the regulation establishes that in the Deshka River when an angler harvests a king salmon 16 inches or more in length they must quit fishing for king salmon for the remainder of the day. This modification in the regulation establishes that this regulation applies to all waters in the Westside Susitna Management Unit, including the Deshka River drainage. In the Cook Inlet Sport Fishing Summary for 1998, it clearly specifies that in all waters of Unit 1, the Susitna River from its mouth to its confluence with the Deshka River, including the Deshka River, - A person may not fish for king salmon during the same day after taking a king salmon 16 inches or more in length.

DISTRIBUTION:

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