

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-1-17-99

Issued at Soldotna, August 4, 1999

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., August 5, 1998

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. August 20, 1999,  
unless superseded by subsequent emergency  
order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order increases the bag and possession limit in the Russian/Kenai River “fly-fishing-only area” to six sockeye salmon. This increased limit applies to that area of the Russian and Kenai rivers from a marker located approximately 600 yards downstream from Russian River Falls downstream to the power line crossing over the Kenai River located approximately 1,800 yards downstream from the confluence of the Kenai and Russian Rivers.

These regulatory changes are effective at 12:01 a.m. August 5, 1999, through August 20, 1999, when the sockeye salmon season closes in this area.

### REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 56.022 (b) (10) and (12) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order the following provisions are effective:

The bag and possession limit of sockeye salmon is six fish in those waters of the Russian River downstream from a marker located approximately 600 yards downstream from Russian River Falls to its confluence with the Kenai River and in those waters of the Kenai River from its confluence with the Russian River to the power line crossing located approximately 1800 yards downstream.

Frank Rue  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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David E. Athons  
Assistant Area Management Biologist

### JUSTIFICATION:

5 AAC 75.003 (2)(A) permits bag and possession limits to be liberalized if the spawning escapement is projected to be exceeded by 25%. As this projection has been made, the bag and possession limit is being increased to permit sport anglers the opportunity to harvest sockeye salmon in excess of spawning escapement needs.

### DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 2 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.