

# SPORT FISHING

## Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-15-02

Issued at Sitka, Wednesday,  
June 19, 2002

Effective 12:01 a.m.  
Date: Friday, June 21, 2001

Expiration Date: Monday, July 31, at  
11:59 P.M. unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order increases the king salmon bag and possession limits in Silver Bay near Sitka and in the Hidden Falls Terminal Harvest Area in Chatham Strait to allow surplus hatchery-produced king salmon to be harvested. The daily bag and possession limit is four king salmon, of which no more than two may be 28 inches or greater in length.

This emergency order is in effect from June 21, 2002, through July 31, 2002.

### REGULATION:

5 AAC 47.022. WATERS; SEASONS; BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS; AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS (202) and (203) is added to read:

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(1) 5 AAC 47.022 WATER	SEASON AND BAG LIMIT						SPECIAL PROVISIONS
	King Salmon	Other Salmon	Trout/ Steelhead	Dolly Varden	Halibut/ Lingcod	Other Fish/ Shellfish	
(202) HIDDEN FALLS TERMINAL (SALT WATER) AREA, within two miles of the Baranof Island shoreline south of the range marker on South Point (south entrance to Kelp Bay) and north of a range marker located at 57° 06' 50" N latitude (south of Takatz Bay).	<sup>1</sup>	1D	1L, 1R	1I	3J, 4K	1S, 1T	<sup>1</sup> The bag and possession limit is four king salmon, of which no more than two may be 28 inches or more in length, from June 21 through July 31.
(203) SILVER BAY AREA, east of a line from Entry Point to Silver Point at 57° 00' 49" N. lat., 135° 18' 06" W. long.	<sup>1</sup>	1D	1L, 1R	1I	3J, 4K	1S, 1T	<sup>1</sup> The bag and possession limit is four king salmon, of which no more than two may be 28 inches or more in length, from June 21 through July 31.

JUSTIFICATION:

Hatchery-produced king salmon are expected to return to Hidden Falls and Medvejie Hatcheries in numbers that exceed hatchery brood stock needs. The Alaska Board of Fisheries authorized the department to increase bag limits and liberalize fishing methods in designated harvest areas to harvest surplus hatchery-produced king salmon. Therefore, the department is increasing the king salmon bag and possession limit to four fish, of which no more than two may be 28 inches or greater in length, to provide recreational anglers the opportunity to harvest these surplus fish.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file with the Division of Sport Fish at the Region 1 Office, P. O. Box 240020, Douglas, AK 99824, (907)465-4270, and at the Sitka Area Office, 304 Lake Street, Sitka, AK 99835, (907)747-5355.