

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-R-01-08

Issued at Sitka, Monday, December 31,
2007

Effective 12:01 a.m.
Date: Tuesday, January 01, 2008

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Wednesday,
December 31, 2008. Unless superseded by
subsequent Emergency Order.

EXPLANATION: Under the guidelines of The Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan, this emergency order maintains the provisions of Emergency Order 1-KS-R-02-07 issued on April 11, 2007. Therefore, for the salt waters of Southeast Alaska, the resident bag and possession limit is three king salmon 28 inches or greater in length, the nonresident bag and possession limit is one king salmon 28 inches or greater in length, and anglers may use two rods from January through March when fishing for king salmon. This emergency order also maintains the 2007 nonresident annual limit of four king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 47.020 (18) are added by this emergency order and become effective at 12:01 A.M. Tuesday, January 1, 2008

5 AAC 47.020 General provisions for seasons and bag, possession, annual, and size limits for the salt waters of the Southeast Alaska Area.

(18) king salmon:

- (A) the resident bag limit is three king salmon 28 inches or greater in length;
- (B) the nonresident bag limit is one king salmon 28 inches or greater in length;
- (C) the nonresident annual limit is four king salmon 28 inches or greater in length;
- (D) anglers may use two rods from January through March.

Denby S. Lloyd
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Robert Chadwick
Regional Management Coordinator
Division of Sport Fish

JUSTIFICATION: The king salmon sport fishery in Southeast Alaska is managed under the directives of the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 47.055). This plan requires the department to establish management measures for the sport fishery each year, based on the preseason abundance index determined by the Chinook Technical Committee of the Pacific Salmon Commission. The plan also requires that the current year's management measures remain in effect into the following year, until the new preseason abundance index is formalized and adopted by the Commission. Therefore, the 2007 bag, possession and annual limits, and methods and means are maintained until the 2008 preseason abundance index is released.

The preseason abundance index for 2007 was 1.60. The preseason abundance index for 2008 is expected to be released by May 1, 2008.

DISTRIBUTION:

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