

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No.1-KS-F-27-08

Issued at Haines, Friday, August 1, 2008

Effective 12:01 a.m.
Date: Saturday, August 2, 2008

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Sunday,
September 14, 2008. Unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION: This emergency order establishes a four fish bag and possession limit for king salmon of any size for all anglers (both Alaska residents and nonresidents) in Pullen Creek upstream of the department markers at Pullen Pond in Skagway. King salmon caught in Pullen Creek above the department markers at Pullen Pond do not count toward the nonresident annual limit. This action is implemented to harvest surplus hatchery-produced king salmon in Pullen Creek upstream of the broodstock collection weir and is effective 12:01 a.m., Saturday, August 2 through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, September 14, 2008.

REGULATION: The provisions of 5 AAC 47.023(d)(2) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective 12:01 a.m. Saturday, August 2 through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, September 14, 2008.

5 AAC 47.023. Special provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the fresh waters of Southeast Alaska Area.

- (d) In the Skagway vicinity:
 - (2) in Pullen Creek upstream of department markers at Pullen Pond,
 - (A) bait may be used;
 - (B) sport fishing is open only from December 1 – September 14;
 - (C) the bag and possession limit is four king salmon, no size limit,
 - (D) the nonresident annual limit for king salmon does not apply to king salmon caught in Pullen Creek;

Denby S. Lloyd
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Richard Chapell
Haines/Skagway Area
Assistant Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION: Hatchery produced king salmon resulting from releases at Pullen Creek have returned in excess to broodstock needs. Regulations liberalizing bag, possession, and annual limits are therefore modified according to provisions in 5 AAC 47.055 (k) and 5 AAC 75.003 (2) (B) to allow harvest of these excess king salmon by sport anglers.

All king salmon entering Pullen Creek are captured at a weir and fish needed for hatchery broodstock are held in net pens located in Pullen Pond. All fish in excess of broodstock needs are released upstream of the weir and are available for harvest upstream of the department markers at Pullen Pond in Skagway.

DISTRIBUTION: The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 1 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, P. O. Box 110024, Douglas, AK 99824, (907) 465-4270 and at the Haines/Skagway Area Office, P.O. Box 330, Haines, AK 99827, (907) 766-2625.