

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-4-31-12

Issued at: Kodiak, Tuesday, July 2,
2013

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Thursday, July 4, 2013

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Tuesday,
December 31, 2013 unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order liberalizes the bag and possession limit in the Dog Salmon River drainage for sockeye salmon 20 inches or longer. Beginning at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, July 4, the limit for sockeye salmon in the Dog Salmon River drainage is 10 fish per day, 10 in possession.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 64.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak Area. (c)(1)(i) are added by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m., Thursday, July 4, 2013 through 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, December 31, 2013:

5 AAC 64.022 Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak Area.

(c) In the Kodiak Remote Zone, the following bag and possession limits apply to salmon, other than king salmon:

(1) for salmon, other than king salmon, 20 inches or greater in length, the bag limit is five fish, 10 fish in possession;

(i) except in the Dog Salmon River drainage, in which the sockeye salmon bag and possession limit is 10 fish;

Cora Campbell,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Donn Tracy,
Kodiak Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The biological escapement goal for sockeye salmon in the Dog Salmon River drainage is 75,000 – 170,000 fish. As of June 30, the weir count for sockeye salmon through the Frazer Lake Fish Pass was nearly 48,000 fish. The department is now projecting the escapement will exceed 170,000 even if additional sport harvest opportunity is provided. Therefore, the sockeye salmon bag limit is increased to 10 per day, 10 in possession in the Dog Salmon River drainage.

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; Alaska Department of Fish and Game Kodiak Area Office; and the Alaska Department of Public Safety Fish and Wildlife Protection Kodiak Office.