

BRISTOL BAY SALT WATERS

GENERAL SEASONS AND LIMITS: Bristol Bay salt waters

INCLUSIVE WATERS: All waters east of a line from Cape Newenham to Cape Menshikof.

Species	Open season	Daily limits
King salmon	May 1–July 31	3 per day/3 in possession only 2 fish over 28"
	☛ yearly limit of 5—see page 6	
Other salmon	open entire year	5 per day/5 in possession
Steelhead trout	June 8–Oct. 31	2 per day/2 in possession only 1 fish over 20"
	Nov. 1–June 7	5 per day/5 in possession only 1 fish over 20"
Dolly Varden	June 8–Oct. 31	3 per day/3 in possession
	Nov. 1–June 7	10 per day/10 in possession
Halibut	Feb. 1–Dec. 31	2 per day/4 in possession
Lingcod	open entire year	no bag or possession limit
Rockfish	open entire year	no bag or possession limit
King crab	June 1–Jan. 31	6 per day/6 in possession males only—6½" or more
Dungeness crab	open entire year	12 per day/12 in possession males only—6½" or more
Tanner crab	open entire year	12 per day/12 in possession males only—5½" or more
Sharks	open entire year	1 per day/1 in possession
	☛ yearly limit of 2—see page 6	
Other	open entire year	no bag or possession limit

Halibut:

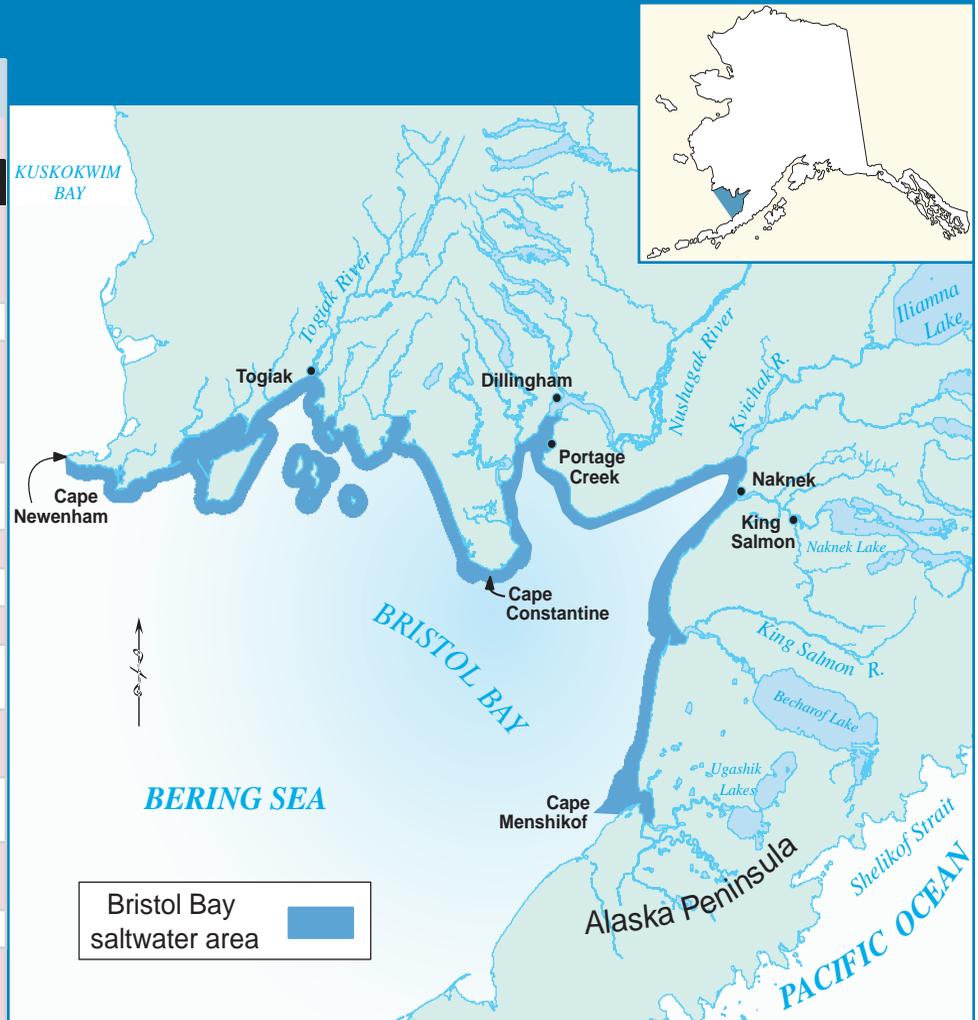
Pacific halibut fisheries are managed by the federal government under international treaty. Federal possession and landing requirements for sport-caught halibut differ from state regulations. Proxy fishing for halibut is not allowed.

- Season is Feb. 1–Dec. 31
- Unguided anglers—limit is 2 per day (no size limit), 4 in possession
- Consult federal regulations for the following:
 - Bag, size, and possession limits for guided (charter) anglers
 - Possession and landing requirements
 - Inseason changes to the regulations

Federal halibut regulations are available from:

NOAA Fisheries Alaska Region
(907) 586-7225
<http://www.fakr.noaa.gov>

International Pacific Halibut Commission
(206) 634-1838
<http://www.iphc.washington.edu/halcom/sport.htm>



Health Guidelines for Eating Alaska Fish . . .

Alaska fish is an excellent source of low-fat protein and important nutrients. Some fish contain elevated levels of mercury, which can harm unborn babies and young children. The Department of Health and Social Services Web site offers specific fish consumption advice for women who are or can become pregnant, nursing mothers, and children 12 and under. Go to <http://www.epi.hss.state.ak.us/eh/fish/default.htm> or call (907) 269-8000.

Remember to include fish at least twice a week as part of a balanced diet!