

PERSONAL USE SHELLFISH REGULATIONS—cont'd

• A commercially licensed and registered shrimp fishing vessel may not be used to take shrimp in Districts 6–8 and 10 from February 15 through April 30.

• A person or vessel that operates commercial, subsistence, sport or personal use pots or ring nets—other than commercial shrimp pots or Dungeness crab pots—during the 30 days immediately before the scheduled opening date for the commercial king or Tanner crab season in Registration Area A may not participate in the king or Tanner crab fishery.

• **Only male crab may be retained for personal use.** Male crab less than the minimum size limit and all female crab may not be possessed and must be returned unharmed to the water immediately.

• An owner, operator, or employee of a lodge, charter vessel, or other enterprise that furnishes food, lodging, or guide services, may not furnish to a client or guest of that enterprise shellfish that has been taken under this chapter for personal use or subsistence, unless the shellfish has been taken by the client or guest and that shellfish is to be consumed by the client or guest or the client or guest is present when the shellfish is consumed. Shellfish taken by a client or guest under this chapter may only be taken with shellfish gear conforming with marking requirements listed in the statewide regulations above, and operated by the client or guest.

• The captain and crew members of a charter vessel may not deploy, set, or retrieve their own gear in a personal use shellfish fishery when that vessel is being chartered.

SOUTHEAST ALASKA—EAST OF THE LONGITUDE OF CAPE FAIRWEATHER

☛ **For all shellfish species in Southeast Alaska, the possession limit equals one daily bag limit.**

King crab—east of Cape Spencer:

Bag and possession limit: 6 males (red, blue, and brown—in combination)

If the region wide harvestable biomass of mature red and blue king crab is below 200,000 pounds, the bag possession limit may be reduced by emergency order. Anglers should check with the nearest ADF&G office for current limits.

Size limits: **red** 7-inch minimum size
blue 6.5-inch minimum size
brown 7-inch minimum size

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Seasons: **red** July 1–March 31
blue July 1–March 31
brown July 1–June 15

In the Juneau area:

The king crab bag and possession limit is three (3) males in Subdistricts 12-B, 15-B, and 15-C. In Subdistrict 11-A, a personal use harvest permit is required to harvest king crab. Daily bag and possession limits and annual household and individual limits for Subdistrict 11-A are established just prior to the fishery opening on July 1 and are subject to change

during the season. Changes in bag, possession, and annual limits are posted in news releases throughout the Juneau area. Harvest permits, subdistrict maps, and other information are available at the ADF&G office in Douglas.

King crab—west of Cape Spencer:

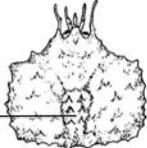
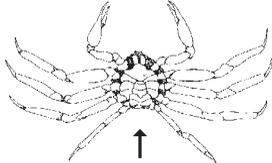
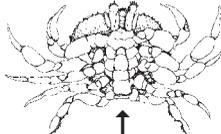
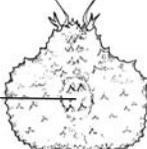
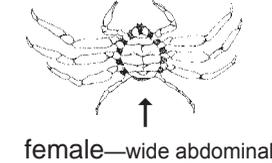
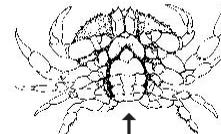
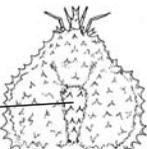
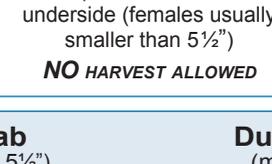
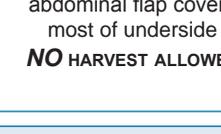
Season: open entire year
 Limits: same as east of Cape Spencer

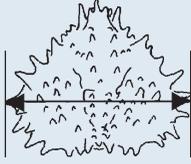
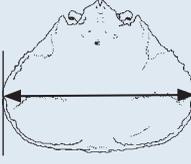
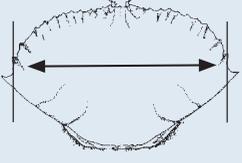
Tanner crab:

Season: July 1–June 15
 Limits: 30 males, 5.5-inch minimum size

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Crab identification and measurement chart

	KING CRAB	TANNER CRAB	DUNGENESS CRAB
6 prominent spines on mid-dorsal plate			
	RED KING CRAB		
4 prominent spines on mid-dorsal plate			
	BLUE KING CRAB		
5 to 9 spines on mid-dorsal plate			
	BROWN KING CRAB		
	male—narrow abdominal flap	male—narrow abdominal flap	male—narrow abdominal flap
	female—wide abdominal flap covers most of underside	female—wide abdominal flap covers most of underside (females usually smaller than 5½")	female—wide abdominal flap covers most of underside
	NO HARVEST ALLOWED	NO HARVEST ALLOWED	NO HARVEST ALLOWED

King crab	Tanner crab (minimum size 5½")	Dungeness crab (minimum size 6½")
		
Width measurement of king crab shall be the straight-line distance across the carapace and shall include the spines.	Width measurement of Tanner crab shall be the straight-line distance across the carapace and shall include the spines.	Width measurement of Dungeness crab shall be the straight-line distance across the carapace and shall not include the spines.