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NORTHERN NORTON SOUND SUBSISTENCE SALMON PERMIT REQUIREMENT

A subsistence salmon permit is required when subsistence salmon fishing in northern Norton Sound. Permits are required for all marine and fresh waters of Subdistricts 1 through 3 (Nome, Golovin and Elim) and the Cape Woolley Subdistrict of the Norton Sound District, and the Port Clarence District. A separate permit for Pilgrim River and Salmon Lake is also required when fishing there. Catch limits in effect are listed on the back of the permit for the rivers that have subsistence catch limits.

Rod and reel is a legal subsistence fishing gear in northern Norton Sound and a subsistence salmon permit is required to fish for salmon. A sport fish license can be used to harvest salmon when using rod and reel, but sport fish bag limits and regulations must be followed.

Rod and reel is not a legal subsistence fishing gear in southern Norton Sound and a sport fish license is required when fishing in open waters. Southern Norton Sound waters include the Norton Bay Subdistrict beginning at Bald Head, between Elim and Koyuk, to the southern Norton Sound District boundary at Point Romanof.

Subsistence salmon permits are free and available at the Nome Fish and Game office. Village residents can call 1-800-560-2271 to receive a permit if they missed getting a permit when Fish and Game staff was visiting their village. Please have your Alaska I.D. number or Alaska Driver's license number when calling.

All marine waters are open to subsistence salmon fishing in northern Norton Sound until mid-June. On June 15 the subsistence fishing schedule will go into effect for the Nome Subdistrict and marine and fresh waters will be open to subsistence salmon fishing from 6 p.m. Wednesday until 6 p.m. Monday, except for the marine waters east of Cape Nome that will remain open 7 days a week.

For any questions regarding this news release please call Fish & Game in Nome at 443-5167 or 1-800-560-2271.