



Advisory Announcement

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JUNEAU AREA (SECTION 11-A) WINTER PERSONAL USE RED AND BLUE KING CRAB FISHERY

The 2020/2021 Section 11-A winter personal use red and blue king crab season will **open at 8:00 a.m., Saturday, January 9, and close at 12:00 p.m., Sunday, January 10, 2021.**

Residents are encouraged to obtain their permits online via the website: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/Store/>. Those requiring assistance with permits at the Douglas office will be required to schedule an appointment using the contacts listed below.

Analysis of data from the 2020 Juneau leg of the annual red king crab survey indicated sufficient stock abundance to allow prosecution of the Section 11-A personal use red and blue king crab fishery. The winter fishery will proceed with the following daily bag and possession limits and restrictions:

- **Daily bag and possession limit** for the red and blue king crab fishery is **1 legal male crab per household permit.**
- **Winter seasonal limit** for the red and blue king crab fishery is **1 legal male crab per household permit.**
- King, Tanner, or Dungeness crab may only be taken using **one pot or two ring nets per vessel** or diving during this personal use fishery.
- **Female, undersized, and unretained legal crab MUST be immediately released unharmed in the location where they were caught.**
- **A household permit is required to participate in the fishery and permits are available online.** Assistance with online permits is available at the Douglas Fish and Game Office (802 3rd Street) by appointment only. Please use the following contacts to schedule an appointment:
 - April Rebert 907-465-4274
 - Adam Messmer 907-465-4853
 - Andrew Olson 907-465-4259
 - Email: DFG.DCF.SoutheastGKC.Users@alaska.gov
- **Winter king crab harvest must be reported online** (or permits may be returned to the Douglas office) **immediately once the seasonal limit has been reached** or by Sunday, February 28, 2021, if the seasonal limit was not reached or if the permit was not fished. **Report online at** <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/sf/PU/>.

Residents are reminded that they must also be in possession of a valid sport fishing license if 18 years of age or older prior to harvesting personal use king crab.

Current regulations on personal use red and blue king crab fishing can be found at: <http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/aac.asp#5.77.664>.

Information regarding the king crab personal use fishery outside Section 11-A may be found in the September 16, 2020 Advisory Announcement (Update: Southeast Alaska Red And Blue King Crab Personal Use Fishery). For more information on the status of the king crab personal use fishery outside Section 11-A please contact Adam Messmer (465-4853) or April Rebert (465-4274).

Section 11-A (Figure 1) includes the waters of Gastineau Channel, Stephens Passage, and Lynn Canal north and west of a line from the Coast Guard marker and light on Point Arden at 58°09.55' N lat, 134°10.69' W long to Point Bishop at 58°12.33' N lat, 134°10.15' W long, and south of a line at the latitude of Little Island Light at 58°32.41' N lat, and east of a line from Little Island Light to Point Retreat Light.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this advisory announcement is EO 1C0221.

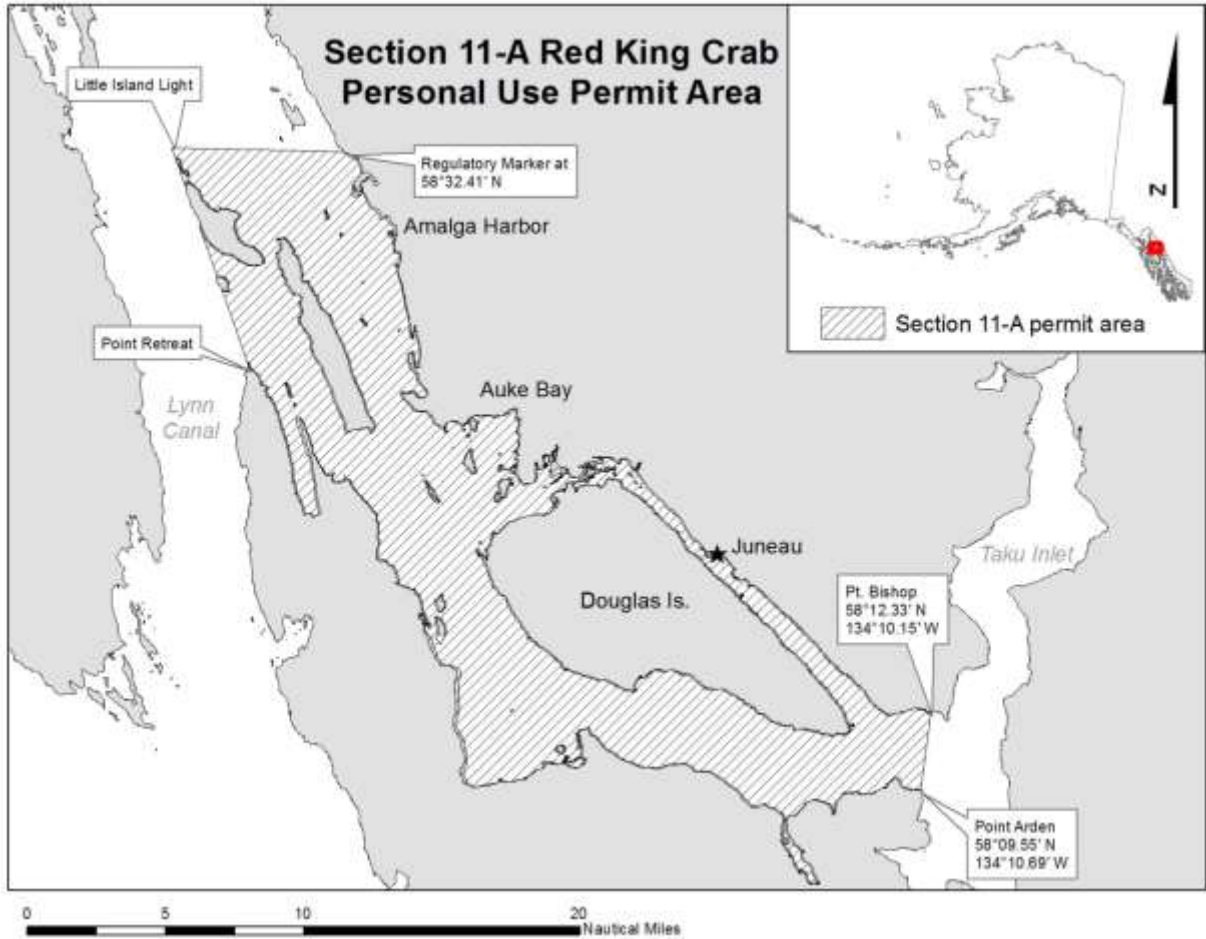


Figure 1: Map showing Section 11-A permit area.

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