



## Advisory Announcement

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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT FISHERY UPDATE

This notification is for information only and is expected to change as the shrimp pot fleet moves from previously closed areas with distinct guideline harvest levels (GHLs). Specific closure announcements for each area with a distinct GHL will generally occur two or three days prior to the closure. Harvest estimates are as of October 14, 2021. The next shrimp pot fishery update will occur on **Thursday, October 21, 2021**.

District 1: Estimated harvest: 48,000 pounds. The GHL is 50,000 pounds. **District 1 will close at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 15, 2021.**

District 2: Estimated harvest: 30,000 pounds. The GHL is 40,000 pounds. **District 2 will close at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 15, 2021.**

Section 3-A: Estimated harvest: 120,000 pounds. The GHL is 114,000 pounds. **Section 3-A closed at 4:00 p.m., Monday, October 11, 2021.**

Sections 3-B/C: No reported harvest. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. **It is estimated the season will close between Wednesday, October 20, and Friday, October 29, 2021.**

District 4: No reported harvest. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close on Monday, February 28, 2022.

District 5: No reported harvest. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close on Monday, February 28, 2022.

Sections 6-B/C/D: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 42,900 pounds. Sections 6-B/C/D closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 8, 2021.

District 7: Estimated harvest: 64,500 pounds. The GHL is 74,500 pounds. **District 7 closed at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, October 10, 2021.**

Sections 8-B/6-A: Estimated harvest: 11,000 pounds. The GHL is 15,000 pounds. **Sections 8-B/6-A will close at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 14, 2021.**

Sections 8-A/10-C: Estimated harvest: 11,000 pounds. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. **Sections 8-A/10-C closed at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 13, 2021.**

District 9: Reported harvest: 11,000 pounds. The GHL is 6,500 pounds. District 9 closed at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 5, 2021.

Sections 10-A/B: Estimated harvest: 46,000 pounds. The GHL is 35,000 pounds. Sections 10-A/B closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 8, 2021.

District 12-Remainder: Reported harvest: 5,700 pounds. The GHL is 7,500 pounds. District 12-Remainder closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 8, 2021.

Sections 13-A/B: Reported harvest: 14,500 pounds. The GHL is 15,000 pounds. Sections 13-A/B closed at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 7, 2021.

District 15-East side: Estimated harvest: 2,500 pounds. The GHL is 3,500 pounds. **It is estimated the season will close on Thursday, October 21, 2021.**

District 15-Remainder: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 7,500 pounds. It is estimated the season will close on Monday, February 28, 2022.

All commercial shrimp fishermen are required to notify the department within two business days of deploying gear and within two business days after ceasing fishing in a district, or portion of a district, with a GHL. Catcher–Processor and Catcher–Seller vessels must call the Fish and Game area office that manages the district they are fishing and report harvest information between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., once per week by 12:00 noon each Wednesday, every week they conduct fishing operations.

If warranted, the department may re-open a district 14 days after a closure, with a four-day notice. The estimate for when a district is to close may be highly variable. The redistribution of effort as the season progresses may greatly influence the daily harvest rates in districts.

Under Alaska’s Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska’s Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>.

Number of boats fishing as of October 14 (Oct 10-Oct 16). Data compiled October 14.

District	1	2	3-B/C	4	5	15
Boats	4	6	3	0	0	5

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