



**Advisory Announcement**  
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**2021/2022 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL TANNER CRAB AND GOLDEN KING CRAB SEASONS**

This announces the registration process, opening date, and registration deadline for the 2021/2022 commercial Tanner and golden king crab fisheries in Southeast Alaska.

Tanner and golden king crab permit holders are requested to call their area office (numbers listed below) and make an appointment with department staff prior to registering for the 2021/2022 season. Due to safety measures put in place by State of Alaska Health Advisories, the department recommends permit holders bring a check or exact cash for payment of buoy tags, a pen to sign the vessel registration form, and to wear a face covering.

Permit holders are recommended to verify that their Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission permit card and vessel license are valid for the 2022 season prior to making an appointment to register for the fishery. Questions about specific area office registration procedures or buoy tag sales should be directed to your local area office at the following phone numbers or emails listed below:

**Petersburg:** Main Office (907) 772-3801

Tessa Bergmann (907) 772-5236, [tessa.bergmann@alaska.gov](mailto:tessa.bergmann@alaska.gov)

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The 2021/2022 commercial Tanner and golden king crab fisheries in Southeast Alaska will open by regulation at **12:00 noon on Friday, February 11, 2022**. The season start date for the Tanner and golden king crab fisheries is based on the date with the smallest Juneau tidal range between February 10 and February 17 [5 AAC 35.110(a) and 5 AAC 34.110(b)]. Permit holders are reminded that weather delay criteria for the Tanner and king crab fisheries have been adopted into regulation. Any delay to the start of the 2021/2022 Tanner and golden king crab fisheries due to weather will be announced 24 hours before the start of the fisheries [5 AAC 35.110(b) and 5 AAC 34.110(f)].

The registration deadline for both fisheries is **Wednesday, January 12, 2022**. Permit holders who register after that date will be required to pay a \$45.00 late fee [Sec 16.05.065]. Buoy tags are mandatory for all commercial Tanner and golden king crab gear and are available by appointment at Alaska Department of Fish and Game area offices in Southeast Alaska for \$1.25 each.

Due to the fluidity of the COVID-19 health crisis, it is recommended that permit holders begin the registration process earlier and allow for more time to complete registrations. Waiting to register until immediately prior to the fishery opening may result in delayed registration.

Further information on the 2021/2022 Tanner crab and golden king crab fisheries will be announced in subsequent advisory announcements.

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/>.

Advisory announcement web site: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>.

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