

Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game on behalf of Board Member Jeffrey

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Substitute language for Proposal 223

5 AAC 34.925(e)(2) is amended to read:

- (2) in the Norton Sound Section of the Northern District, **as follows:**
- (A)** an aggregate of no more than 50 pots may be operated from a validly registered king crab vessel with an overall length of more than 125 feet; [, AND]
 - (B)** an aggregate of no more than 40 pots may be operated from a validly registered king crab vessel with an overall length of 125 feet or less;
 - (C) a permit holder may operate no more than 20 king crab pots described in (d) of this section during the winter through-the-ice commercial king crab season described in 5 AAC 34.910(d)(2);**

5 AAC 34.926 is amended to read:

- (a) **Except as specified in (c) of this section, in** [IN] addition to the provisions of 5 AAC 34.051, in Registration Area Q, the main buoy or trailer buoy may not display more than one identification tag issued under 5 AAC 34.051, and that tag must be one that was issued for the year that the fishery is occurring.

5 AAC 34.926 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- (c) In the Norton Sound Section of the Northern District, during the winter through-the-ice commercial king crab season described in 5 AAC 34.910(d)(2), each king crab pot must have one current identification tag issued by the department placed on the pot. Current identification tags are issued before the season, are uniquely numbered for that registration year, and will be issued at the time the permit holder registers for the winter through-the-ice season. The permit holder shall apply for identification tags at the department office designated to issue the tags. Replacement of tags lost during the season is permitted if the permit holder submits a sworn statement or affidavit describing how the tags were lost and listing the number of lost tags.**