

Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game on behalf of board member Robert Ruffner
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Substitute regulatory language for Proposal 3.

5 AAC 55.022 is amended to read:

5 AAC 55.022. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Prince William Sound Area.

(x) Beginning January 1, 2019, a person sport fishing from a charter vessel when releasing a species of rockfish shall immediately use a deep water release mechanism to return the fish to the depth it was hooked or to a depth of at least 100 feet. In this subsection, "deep water release mechanism" means a device designed to return a rockfish to the depth of capture, or to a specified depth.