

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-C-16-11

Issued at: Petersburg, Friday, June 17,
2011

Effective 12:01 a.m.
Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2011

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Friday,
July 15, 2011. Unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION: This emergency order rescinds Emergency Order No. 1-KS-C-06-11, issued at Petersburg on Thursday, April 29, 2011 and provided liberalized sport fishing regulations for king salmon in the salt waters of District 8. Effective 12:01 a.m., Tuesday, June 21, king salmon regulations in District 8 marine waters will revert to Southeast Alaska regional regulations established by Emergency Order No. 1-KS-R-02-11 issued Thursday, March 31, 2011.

Effective Tuesday, June 21, 2011, king salmon sport fishing regulations in the salt waters of District 8 will be as follows: sport anglers may use two rods from October 2011 through March 2012; the resident bag and possession limit will be three king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length; the nonresident bag and possession limit will be one king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length; and the nonresident annual limit will be five king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length.

REGULATION: Emergency Order No. 1-KS-C-06-11 is rescinded.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Douglas F. Fleming
Management Biologist
Division of Sport Fish

JUSTIFICATION: The king salmon sport fishery in the marine waters around Petersburg and Wrangell are managed under the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 47.055), and the Stikine River King salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 47.057). The 2011 Stikine River king salmon preseason projected return of 30,000 large fish was released in December, 2010 and provided for an allowable catch under the provisions of the Pacific Salmon Treaty. The allowable catch triggered liberalized sport fishing regulations to the District 8 waters for the sport fishery under the provisions of the Stikine River King Salmon Management Plan. Those regulations were enacted by Emergency Order No. 1-KS-C-06-11, issued in late April. The department's latest inseason estimated terminal run size of 18,807 Stikine River king salmon does not provide an allowable catch, therefore liberalized regulations

implemented by Emergency Order No. 1-KS-C-06-11 are no longer justified under the provisions of the Stikine River King Salmon Management Plan.

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED: Emergency Order No. 1-KS-C-06-11, issued at Petersburg on Thursday, April 29, 2011, for the marine waters of District 8 allowed the use of two rods and established a resident bag limit of three king salmon 28 inches or greater in length, and a possession limit of six king salmon, a nonresident bag and possession limit of two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length, and a nonresident annual limit of six king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.

Emergency Order number 1-KS-R-02-11 not affected by this emergency order.

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