

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-A-15-22

Issued at: Ketchikan, Thursday, May 19, 2022

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Wednesday
June 1, 2022

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, June 7, 2022, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION: This emergency order opens the Carroll Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (THA) to anglers targeting hatchery king salmon from June 1 through June 7.

REGULATION: The provisions of 5 AAC 47.021(j)(15) are added by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, June 1 through 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, June 7, 2022:

5 AAC 47.021. Special provisions for seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits and methods and means for the salt waters of the Southeast Alaska Area.

(j) In the Ketchikan vicinity:

(15) the waters of Carroll Inlet north of the latitude of Nigelius Point at 55°33.50' N. lat., 131°21.14' W. long., are open from June 1 through June 7:

- (A) the bag and possession limit is one king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length;
- (B) the nonresident annual harvest limit is three king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length.

By delegation to:

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

Anna Buettner
Ketchikan Assistant Area
Management Biologist
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JUSTIFICATION: This opening will allow opportunity for anglers to retain Alaska hatchery-produced king salmon returning to the Carroll Inlet THA beginning June 1. The waters surrounding Carroll Inlet (Mountain Point Area) have previously been closed to the retention of king salmon until June 8 in order to protect Alaska wild stock king salmon. This emergency order provides one additional week of opportunity in the head of Carroll Inlet where the interception of Alaska wildstock king salmon is least likely and is consistent with the timing of commercial harvest opportunity in the Carroll Inlet THA.

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED: Emergency Order 1-KS-A-12-22 established king salmon regulations in four designated terminal harvest areas in the Ketchikan area to provide opportunity for Alaska hatchery-produced king salmon and remains in effect in the areas and times outside of the area described in this emergency order.

Emergency Order 1-KS-R-05-22 established resident and nonresident king salmon bag and possession limits and a nonresident king salmon annual limit as per the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan based on the 2021 winter troll catch per unit effort and are not affected by this emergency order.

Emergency Order 1-KS-R-06-22 establishes areas and times when king salmon may not be retained in the vicinity of Haines, Skagway, Juneau, Petersburg, Wrangell, and Ketchikan; these actions are being taken to reduce the harvest of Southeast Alaska wild king salmon stocks and meet objectives for king salmon management within the Pacific Salmon Treaty and are not affected by this emergency order.

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