

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No.** 2-RS-4-35-25

**Issued at:** Kodiak, Monday, July 7, 2025

**Effective Date:** 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, July 9, 2025

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. Wednesday,  
December 31, 2025, unless superseded  
by subsequent emergency order.

**EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order increases the bag limit for sockeye salmon to 10 fish in the Ayakulik River drainage.

**REGULATION:**

The provisions of 5 AAC 64.022(b)(14) are added by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, July 9 through 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, December 31, 2025:

**5 AAC 64.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak Area.**

(b)(14) in the Ayakulik River drainage, the bag limit for sockeye salmon is 10 fish.

Doug Vincent-Lang,  
Commissioner



By delegation to:

Tyler Polum,  
Area Management Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The sustainable escapement goal (SEG) for sockeye salmon in the Ayakulik River drainage is 200,000 to 400,000 fish. Through July 6, 2025, the weir count was 323,891 sockeye salmon. Based on historical run timing, about 53% of the run has occurred and the run is projected to exceed the upper bound of the SEG. With up to 6 weeks of the run still expected and current counts projecting to exceed the SEG, it is warranted, under 5 AAC 75.003(2)(A), to increase the bag and possession limit for sockeye salmon to provide additional harvest opportunities for anglers.

**DISTRIBUTION:**

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