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**SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL DUNGENESS CRAB BUOY TAG SALES
AND REGISTRATION PROCEDURES**

Commercial Dungeness crab permit holders throughout Registration Area A (Southeast) will be required to call ahead and make an appointment with department staff prior to registering for the 2021/2022 Dungeness crab fishery. Due to safety measures put in place by State of Alaska Health Advisories, the department recommends permit holders bring a check or exact cash for payment of buoy tags, a pen to sign the vessel registration form, and wear a face covering.

Permit holders are recommended to verify that their Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission permit card and vessel license are valid for the 2021 Dungeness crab season prior to making an appointment to register for the fishery. Questions about specific area office registration procedures or the cost of buoy tags should be directed to your local area office or Tessa Bergmann at the phone numbers listed below.

Dungeness crab buoy tags for the 2021 season are scheduled to be available in all area offices starting Monday, May 10, 2021. Please call your local area office or a department representative to schedule an appointment to purchase buoy tags and register for the Dungeness crab fishery.

Contact numbers for buoy tag sales and vessel registrations by area office:

Petersburg: Front Desk (907) 772-3801
 Tessa Bergmann (907) 772-5236
 Joe Stratman (907) 772-5238

Douglas: Front desk (907) 465-4250
 Adam Messmer (907) 465-4853
 April Rebert (907) 465-4274

Sitka: (907) 747-6688
Haines: (907) 766-2830
Ketchikan: (907) 225-5195
Craig: (907) 826-2563

A subsequent advisory announcement will be issued with details regarding the 2021/2022 Dungeness crab season. Due to the fluidity of the COVID-19 health crisis, it is recommended that permit holders begin the registration process earlier and allow for more time to complete registrations. Waiting to register until immediately prior to the fishery opening may result in delayed registration.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fisherman should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>.

Advisory announcement web site: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>.

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