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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT FISHERY CLOSURE

The following areas will close by regulation at 4:00 p.m., Monday, February 28, 2022:

District 4: Harvest is confidential. District 4 may reopen by emergency order on May 15, 2022.

District 5: Harvest is confidential. District 5 may reopen by emergency order on May 15, 2022.

District 15 (west side): Harvest is confidential. District 15 (west side) may reopen by emergency order on May 15, 2022.

All shrimp pot gear must be removed from the water or placed in storage by the time of the closure. Pots may be stored in the waters of Districts 4, 5, and 15 until 4:00 p.m., Monday, March 7, 2022. Stored pots must have all doors secured fully open and all bait and bait containers removed.

Shrimp tickets must be submitted to an ADF&G office within seven days of the closure. Fishermen are reminded that catcher–sellers intending to sell shrimp to persons unlicensed to process shrimp (i.e. dock sales) must fill out an ADF&G fish ticket indicating the weight of the shrimp on board, by species, before any shrimp are removed from the vessel [5 AAC 31.143.(d)].

Catcher–processor vessels fishing in these areas are required to contact ADF&G and report within 72 hours of the closure. Catcher–processor vessels must report the pounds in whole weight by species of shrimp on board the vessel taken during the open shrimp–fishing period.

The department will announce areas open for the summer fishery no later than May 1, 2022. The summer season will be dependent on Board of Fisheries action taken at the Southeast and Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish meeting in March. Given a summer season will proceed, by May 1 the department will have had time to analyze all available harvest and biological data for areas with remaining quota. Areas that are determined to have less than desirable stock health or areas that have low remaining quota will not reopen for the summer fishery.

2021/22 Southeast Alaska Shrimp Pot Fishery

Areas	*Pounds Harvested	Closure Date
District 1	53,200	October 15 2021
District 2	33,200	October 15, 2021
Section 3-A	135,000	October 11, 2021
Section 3-B/C	18,000	October 28, 2021
District 4	Confidential	February 28, 2022
District 5	Confidential	February 28, 2022
Section 6-B/C/D	Confidential	October 8, 2021
District 7	91,200	October 10, 2021
Section 8-A/10-C	14,400	October 13, 2021
Section 8-B/6-A	14,600	October 14, 2021
District 9	11,100	October 5, 2021
Section 10-A/B	51,000	October 8, 2021
District 11-Seymour	N/A	No Fishery
District 11 Remainder	N/A	No Fishery
District 12-Tenakee	N/A	No Fishery
District 12-Remainder	5,700	October 8, 2021
Section 13-A/B	14,500	October 8, 2021
Section 13-C	N/A	No Fishery
District 14	N/A	No Fishery
District 15 (east side)	5,200	October 22, 2021
District 15 (west side)	Confidential	February 28, 2022
District 16	N/A	No Fishery
Total Harvest	460,900	

*Harvest is pounds of whole shrimp. All harvest is for spot prawns except for District 15 which is for coonstripe shrimp only.

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<i>ADF&G</i>	225-5195	772-3801		747-6688	465-4250	766-2830	784-3255
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