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2023/24 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT FISHERY CLOSURE

The following areas will close by regulation at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 28, 2024:

Sections 3-B/C: Estimated harvest is 9,200 pounds with a guideline harvest level (GHL) of 20,000 pounds.

District 4: Estimated harvest is 13,200 pounds with a GHL of 20,000 pounds.

District 5: Estimated harvest is 4,800 pounds with a GHL of 12,000 pounds.

District 14: Estimated harvest is 6,100 pounds with a GHL of 7,500 pounds.

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 Sections 3-B/C and Districts 4, 5, and 14 until 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6, 2024. 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 the 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.

Open areas and associated GHLs for the 2024/25 season will be announced in April.

2023/24 Southeast Alaska Shrimp Pot Fishery

Areas	*Pounds Harvested	Closure Date
District 1	40,800	May 30
District 2	40,800	May 26
Section 3-A	112,700	May 26
Section 3-B/C	9,200	February 28
District 4	13,200	February 28
District 5	4,800	February 28
Section 6-B/C/D	15,000	May 26
District 7	68,700	May 27
Section 8-A/10-C	10,700	July 31
Section 8-B/6-A	19,600	July 31
District 9	7,800	May 20
Section 10-A/B	33,500	May 22
Section 11-D	Closed	N/A
Sections 11-A/B/C	4,400	June 2
District 12-Tenakee	Closed	N/A
District 12-Remainder	Closed	N/A
Sections 13-A/B	15,700	June 8
Section 13-C	Closed	N/A
District 14	6,100	February 28
District 15-East	Confidential	June 1
District 15-Remainder	Confidential	June 7
District 16	Confidential	June 17
Total Harvest	426,700	

*Harvest is pounds of whole shrimp. All harvest is for spot prawns except for District 15 which is for coonstripe shrimp only, Sections 11-A/B/C and District 16 is for spot prawns and coonstripe shrimp in combination.

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