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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT FISHERY CLOSURE

The following areas will close by regulation at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, July 31, 2025:

- Sections 3-B/C: Reported harvest is confidential. The guideline harvest level (GHL) is 10,000 pounds. Sections 3-B/C will not open by emergency order for a fall/winter fishery due to poor fishery performance.
- District 4: No reported harvest. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. District 4 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2025.
- District 5: Reported harvest is confidential. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. District 5 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2025.
- Sections 6-B/C/D: Reported harvest is 9,100 pounds. The GHL is 15,000 pounds. Sections 6-B/C/D will not open by emergency order for a fall/winter fishery due to poor fishery performance.
- Sections 8-A/10-C: Reported harvest is 6,700 pounds. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. Sections 8-A/10-C may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2025.
- District 15-East: Reported harvest is confidential. The GHL is 3,500 pounds. District 15-East will not open for a fall/winter fishery due to low remaining GHL.
- District 15-Remainder: Reported harvest is confidential. The GHL is 7,500 pounds. District 15-Remainder may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2025.
- District 16: Reported harvest is confidential. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. District 16 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2025.

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, 15-East, 15-Remainder, and 16, and Sections 3-B/C, 6-B/C/D, and 8-A/10-C until 4:00 p.m., Thursday, August 7, 2025. 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 fall/winter fishery no later than September 15, 2025. By September 15, the department will have had time to analyze all available harvest and biological data for areas with remaining

GHL. Areas that are determined to have less than desirable stock health or areas that have low remaining quota will not reopen for the fall/winter fishery.

2025/26 Southeast Alaska Shrimp Pot Fishery

	2025/2026	Pounds		Closure Date	
Areas	GHL*	Harvested*	Boats		
District 1	40,000	40,000 13		27-May-25	
District 2	30,000	22,400	8	30-May-25	
Section 3-A	114,000	108,900 21		29-May-25	
Sections 3-B/C	10,000	Confidential Confidential		31-Jul-25	
District 4	20,000	0	0 0		
District 5	12,000	Confidential Confidential		31-Jul-25	
Sections 6-B/C/D	15,000	9,100	3	31-Jul-25	
District 7	52,000	53,000	15	26-May-25	
Sections 8-A/10-C	12,000	6,700	4	31-Jul-25	
Sections 8-B/6-A	15,000	19,800	11	24-May-25	
District 9	10,000	9,600	3	26-May-25	
Sections 10-A/B	35,000	41,500	10	22-May-25	
District 11-Seymour	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
Sections 11-A/B/C	4,000	3,900	4	25-May-25	
District 12-Tenakee	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
District 12-Remainder	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
Sections 13-A/B	12,600	13,000	6	5-Jun-25	
Section 13-C	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
District 14	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
District 15 (East Side)	3,500	Confidential	Confidential	31-Jul-25	
District 15 (Remainder)	7,500	Confidential	Confidential	31-Jul-25	
District 16	12,000	Confidential	Confidential	31-Jul-25	
Total Harvest	404,600	345,200	89		

^{*}GHL and harvest are pounds of whole shrimp. All GHLs and harvest are spot shrimp only except for District 16 and Sections 11-A/B/C which are spot and coonstripe shrimp, and District 15 which is coonstripe shrimp only.

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