



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA PERSONAL USE GOLDEN KING CRAB FISHERY

The 2026/2027 Southeast Alaska personal use golden king crab (GKC) fishery in Registration Area A (Southeast Alaska) will open at 12:01 a.m., July 1, 2026. Alaska residents fishing for GKC must have an Alaska Department of Fish and Game 2026/2027 Southeast Alaska Regional Personal Use King Crab Permit [5 AAC 77.664(a)] in their possession.

The permit is free and available through the department's online store at: www.adfg.alaska.gov/Store/. Personal use fishers must sign their permit to make it valid and have the permit along with a current sport fishing license in their possession while taking part in personal use king crab fisheries in Southeast Alaska. Regional personal use king crab permits are valid for GKC in all open areas. Permits must be filled out each time king crab pots or ring nets are retrieved (or dive gear is used) whether king crab are harvested or not. Permit holders are required to report their harvest either online any time at: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/Harvest/> or by turning in the completed permit at the end of the season.

Fishery Information

Golden king crab may be taken from July 1 through June 15 [5 AAC 77.664(c)(2)]. The bag and possession limit for all species of king crab in combination (including RKC) is three crab per person. The department used GKC commercial fishery information from 2025 to determine open areas for the GKC personal use fishery in Southeast Alaska. Refer to Figure 1 for a map showing waters of Southeast Alaska open to the retention of personal use GKC.

Closed Area Descriptions

Section 11-B: waters of the district north of the latitude of Midway Islands Light at 57°50.20' N lat and south and east of a line from a point at 58°12.32' N lat, 134°10.14' W long, to Point Arden Light at 58°09.55' N lat, 134°10.68' W long.

Section 11-C: waters of the district south of the latitude of Midway Islands Light at 57°50.20' N lat, to a line from Point League at 57°37.76' N lat, 133°40.47' W long, to Point Hugh at 57°34.22' N lat, 133°48.62' W long.

Additional Information

For additional information visit the Southeast Alaska Personal Use King Crab Fishery website:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=PersonalUsebyAreasoutheastkingCrab.regs>. Please refer to 5 AAC 77.664 in the 2025–2026 Statewide Subsistence and Personal Use Fishing Regulations booklet for additional regulations regarding personal use king crab fishing, or view the regulations online at:

<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishregulations.personalUse>.

Analysis of the 2026 GKC commercial fishery data will be completed by mid-December. Any changes to the 2026/2027 Southeast Alaska personal use GKC fishery will be announced at that time.

The emergency order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1C5126.

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Waters of Registration Area A
Personal Use Golden King Crab Fishing
Refer to 5 AAC 34.107 and 5AAC 34.150 for Legal Descriptions

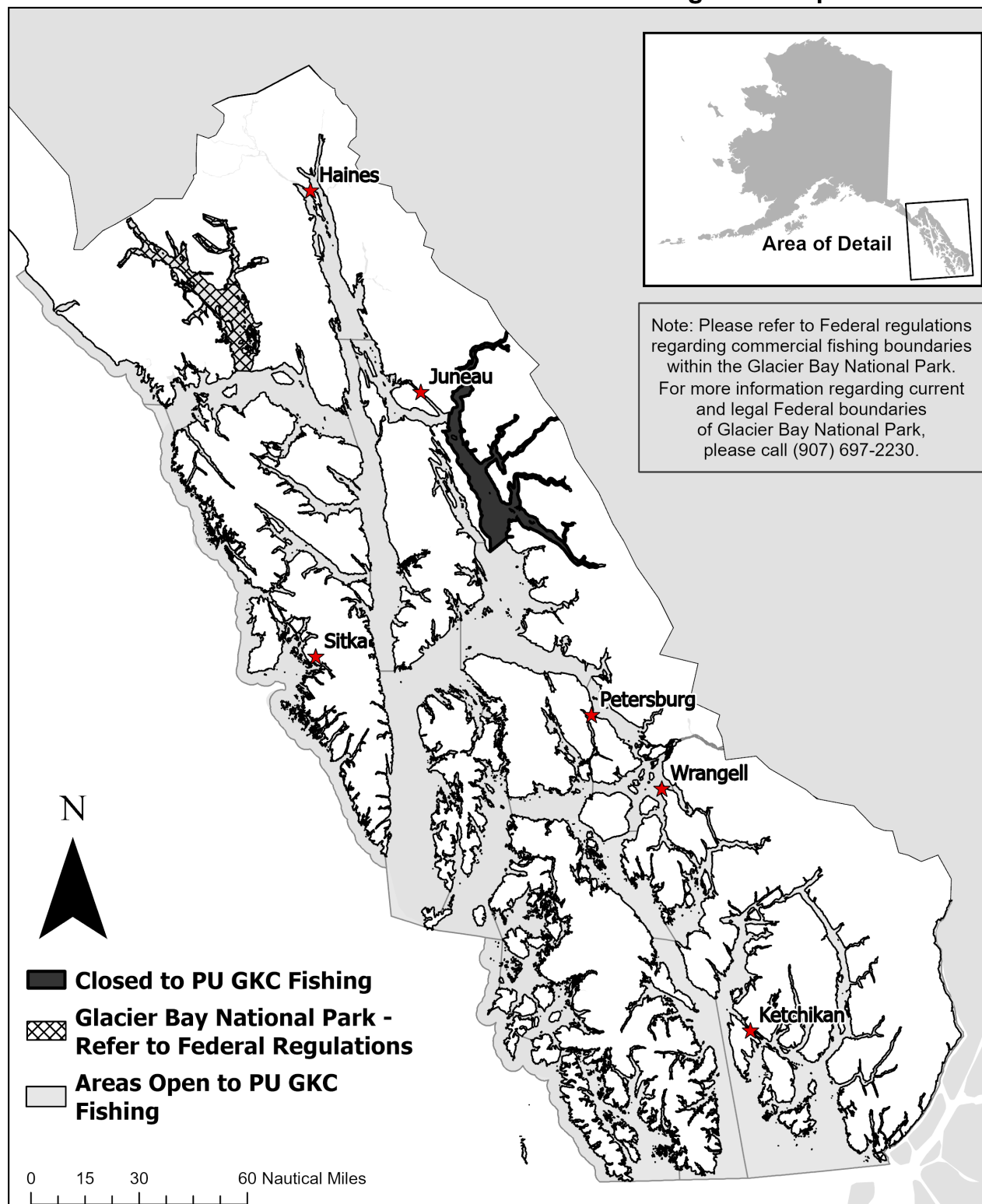


Figure 1.-2026/2027 Registration Area A (Southeast Alaska) GKC personal use open and closed fishery areas, for reference purposes only.