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Aleutian Islands State-Waters Golden King Crab Registration Deadline Reminder

Regulatory changes adopted at the March 2025 Alaska Board of Fisheries meeting established an open-access commercial fishery for golden king crab in state-waters (0–3 nm) of King Crab Registration Area O, east of 169°W long. This Advisory Announcement serves as a reminder to fishery participants of the upcoming August 1 registration deadline for the 2026/27 fishery. The information below is a summary of the regulations found in 5 AAC 34.614. *Aleutian Islands state-waters golden king crab management plan*.

Registration Deadline:

To participate in the Aleutian Islands state-waters golden king crab fishery, vessels must register by August 1. To register a vessel for the fishery, vessel operators must obtain a K090 CFEC permit and file a registration form with the department. Registration forms can be submitted in person to the Dutch Harbor or Kodiak ADF&G office, by mail to the Dutch Harbor or Kodiak ADF&G office, email (dfg.dutchharbor@alaska.gov), or by fax (1-907-581-1572). **Please note that failure to register by the August 1 registration deadline will preclude a vessel from participating in the fishery for the season.**

Pot Limits:

The Aleutian Islands state-waters golden king crab fishery has a maximum pot limit of 400 pots. The department will establish the individual vessel pot limit by dividing the 400 total pot limit by the number of vessels that registered prior to the August 1 registration deadline; no more than 90 pots per vessel is allowed. Buoy tags are required and may be purchased through the Dutch Harbor or Kodiak ADF&G office at a cost of \$1.50 each. Sets of buoy tags will be available in Dutch Harbor and mailed to additional locations as requested.

For more information, contact ADF&G in Dutch Harbor at (907) 581-1239.

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