

# CHITINA PERSONAL USE DIP NET FISHERY

**Only Alaska residents, as defined on page 4, are eligible to participate in personal use fisheries.**

**Nonresidents may not participate in personal use fisheries.** For example, nonresidents may not handle any of the gear or operate a boat that is being used for personal use fishing, or have in their possession fish harvested in a personal use fishery.

- **“Personal use” is taking, fishing for, or possession of finfish, shellfish, or other fishery resources, by Alaska residents for personal use and not for sale or barter, with gill or dip net, seine, fish wheel, long line, or other means defined by the Board of Fisheries.**
- **In all personal use fisheries, a sport fishing license is required (unless the angler is under 18):**
  - For resident anglers aged 18 to 59, a resident Alaska sport fishing license must be in possession of the person who is personal use fishing.
  - For Alaska resident anglers 60 or older and for Alaska resident disabled veterans, the ADF&G PID card or DAV card must be in possession of the person who is personal use fishing.
- **A \$15 permit is required in addition to a sport fishing license. Personal use permits are available online at: [www.adfg.alaska.gov/store](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/store)**
- **Salmon sport fishing bag and possession limits are in addition to those allowed under personal use fishing regulations.**

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**A person may not possess salmon taken under a personal use salmon fishing permit unless both tips of the tail fin have been immediately removed from the salmon.**

- Both tips of the tail fin must be clipped immediately upon harvesting the fish.
- All fish harvested must be recorded on the permit, in ink, immediately upon harvesting the fish.
- **When fishing from shore:** *Immediately* means before concealing the salmon from plain view or before transporting the salmon from the shoreline or streambank adjacent to the waters open to personal use fishing where the salmon was removed from the water.
- **When fishing from a boat:** *Immediately* means before concealing the salmon from plain view or before transporting the salmon from the waters open to personal use fishing where the salmon was removed from the water.
- This definition of immediately applies only to the personal use fishery and **DOES NOT** apply to recording king salmon (or other fish) taken in the sport fishery on the sport fishing license or harvest record.

## Dip net: *Statewide Definition for all Personal Use Fisheries*

By regulation, a dip net is defined as a bag-shaped net supported on all sides by a rigid frame. The maximum straight-line distance between any two points on the net frame, as measured through the net opening, may not exceed 5 feet. The depth of the bag must be at least one-half the greatest straight-line distance as measured through the net opening. No portion of the bag may be constructed of webbing that exceeds a stretched measurement of 4½ inches. The frame must be attached to a single rigid handle and be operated by hand.

## A household may not obtain both a Glennallen Subdistrict subsistence salmon permit and a Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon permit in the same year.

**Notice of fishery openings and general information are available 24 hours a day by calling:**

**Glennallen** at (907) 822-5224

**Fairbanks** at (907) 459-7382

**Anchorage** at (907) 267-2511



Be sure to call the recorded message **before** leaving for Chitina. The numbers are listed above.

Most land in the Chitina area is privately owned by the Chitina Village Corporation or the Ahtna Regional Corporation. Please respect the rights of landowners in the area, and obey all regulatory signs concerning access, parking, and other subjects.

The *Regulation Summary & Access for the Chitina Subdistrict Personal Use Salmon Fishery* is available at your local ADF&G office and online on the Chitina pages at <http://fish.alaska.gov/PU>

The first open fishing period will occur between June 7 and June 15, depending upon strength and timing of the salmon run. Permits will be available at all locations no later than June 1.

- A permit is required and must be in your possession while taking or transporting fish. All salmon must be recorded on your permit **before** leaving the fishing site.
- Permits can be obtained online at [www.adfg.alaska.gov/store](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/store), and at ADF&G offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Palmer, and Glennallen.
- Permits are also available at some private vendors, for a list see the Chitina pages at <http://fish.alaska.gov/PU> or call any of the ADF&G offices listed above.
- **Only one Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon permit will be issued to a household per year.**
- **Permits are \$15.** Funds from permit sales are used to provide sanitation and trail maintenance at the fishery.
- The annual limit is 25 salmon for the head of household and 10 salmon for each dependent of the permit holder, per permit, per year.
- Only one (1) king salmon is allowed per permit per year, and it is included in the annual household limit.
- King salmon retention may be closed by emergency order at any time. Always check current regulations before harvesting a king salmon.
- Rainbow/steelhead trout may not be kept.
- **You must report for each permit by October 15th**, even if you did not fish or did not harvest any fish. **Reporting may be done ONLINE at: <http://fish.alaska.gov/PU>**, or by mailing your permit to the address printed on the permit.

## Chitina Dip Net Fishery Boundaries

