FILING PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

ORGANIZATION:

REGULATION #: SCr724-25- subsistence

DATE ADOPTED: 7/23/24

REGULATIONS (S) None

SUPERCEDED:

CATCH AREA (s): Shellfish Catch reporting area 28B and Puyallup shared portion of

28A

FISHERY TYPE: SUBSISTENCE

SPECIES: Dungeness Crab (Cancer magister)

Red Rock Crab (Cancer productus)

UPPER LIMIT: 1,000 pounds cumulative treaty harvest for each species

ON/OFF OFF

RESERVATION:

EFFECTIVE DATES:7/23/24, through March 1<sup>st</sup> 2025 or until upper limit is taken.

LEGAL GEAR: Pots, ring nets, and hand operated instruments that do not

Penetrate the shell are the only lawful gear for crab harvest.

DAYS/HOURS: Seven days a week, gear must be worked between official sunrise

and official sunset only.

RECORDING: In order for the Puyallup Tribal Shellfish office to maintain catch

and effort information, crab fishers must fill out harvest logs available through the shellfish office. The logs must be turned in to

the Shellfish Office within a week of the permit expiration.

SPECIAL For commercial geoduck diver safety, Geoduck Tracts with active

MANAGEMENT

AREA:

harvest (to -70' mllw) may be closed to crabbing.

OTHER 1) Minimum size is 6-1/4 inches measured across the back at the

widest spot of the shell immediately in front of, but not including

the outside of the tips

- 2) Retention of female, sublegal and soft-shelled crab is prohibited and they must be released immediately.
- 3) All crab pots must have two escape rings not less than 4 ¼ inches inside diameter. Escape rings must be located on the top half of the pot. A 3 inch by 5 inch biodegradable cord panel (natural fiber, maximum thread size 120) or biodegradable loop attached to the lid hook is also required.
- 4) Each pot or string of pots must be attached to a surface buoy that is capable of floating a five pound weight. Buoys attached to gear used for commercial fishing can be any color or color combination except red and white. If red and white buoy colors are used, a minimum of 30% of the surface of the buoy(s) will be prominently marked with an additional color other than red and white.
- 5) Buoys shall be conspicuously marked with the harvester's fishing identification number preceded by the letters PUYSUB.
- 6) Harvesters are limited to fishing 4 pots maximum at any one time.
- 7) It will be unlawful for a crab fisher to remove or pull a crab pot from the water that is not registered by that fisher.
- 9) Only harvesters who have received the educational outreach endorsement and a permit shall be able participate in this harvest.
- 10) Crabbers must obtain a permit prior to participation in the harvest. Each permit will be good for three days. Crabbers are limited to one permit per week.
- 11) Harvesters are limited to 12 crabs per person per day.

JUSTIFICATION: HARVEST AVAILABLE RESOURCE

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