

2020 Petersburg-Wrangell Management Area Personal Use and Subsistence Salmon Fishing Permit Conditions

Please review all permit conditions. If you have any questions, please contact the Petersburg Fish and Game Office at (907) 772-3801 or the Wrangell Fish and Game Office at (907) 874-3822.

General Permit Conditions

1. Permits must be retained in the possession of the permit holder and be readily available for inspection while taking fish; a person who transports subsistence/personal use taken fish shall have a subsistence/personal use fishing permit in their possession.
2. Fishing for, taking or molesting any fish by any means, or for any purpose, is prohibited within 300 feet of any dam, fish ladder, weir, culvert or other artificial obstruction.
3. Salmon streams flowing across, or adjacent to, the Petersburg and Wrangell road systems are closed to subsistence and personal use fishing.
4. Gillnets used for subsistence or personal use fishing for salmon may not exceed 50 fathoms in length, unless otherwise specified by the regulations for particular areas.
5. Fishing by the use of a hook and line attached to a rod or pole is prohibited.
6. Possession and annual limits are listed in 5AAC 01.745 and 77.682.
7. "Possession Limit" means the maximum number of fish a person may have in their possession if the fish have not been canned, salted, frozen, smoked, dried, or otherwise preserved.
8. Salmon, trout, and char caught incidentally by gear operated under the subsistence and personal use fishing regulations may be retained dependent on specific permit conditions.
9. The possession limit for Chinook salmon harvested incidentally is two fish.
10. Sockeye salmon may only be retained in the Petersburg-Wrangell Management Area in those locations listed as open to subsistence or personal use fishing for sockeye salmon.
11. It is unlawful to buy or sell subsistence or personal use-taken salmon, their parts and/or their eggs.
12. Salmon taken under subsistence or personal use fishing regulations may not be subsequently used as bait for commercial fishing purposes.

Specific Personal Use Permit Conditions

1. In the absence of customary and traditional use findings, Personal Use regulations apply.
2. The possession limit for coho salmon harvested incidentally is 6 fish except in the Anita Bay and Blind Slough-Wrangell Narrows Terminal Harvest Areas (THAs).
3. Anita Bay THA: Salmon may be taken only by drift gillnets. The Anita Bay THA is defined as the waters of Anita Bay south of a line from Anita Point at 56°13.68' N lat, 132°22.48' W long to a point on the northern shore at 56°14.26' N lat and 132°23.93' W long.
4. Blind Slough-Wrangell Narrows THA: Includes the waters west of 132°54.52' W long in Blind Slough and north of a line from Spruce Point to North Point and south of the latitude of Island Point in Wrangell Narrows.

PERSONAL USE SALMON FISHING LIMITS AND SEASONS

Location	Salmon Species	<u>Limits</u>		Open Dates
		Possession	Annual	
Hatchery Creek	Sockeye	6 daily	18	June 1–June 30 (open weekly Thurs–Sun)
Windham Bay	Pink	100	none	July 15–Aug. 31
Blind Slough/Wrangell Narrows THA	Coho	25	25	Aug 7–Sept 4 (Fridays 6 am–8 pm)
Anita Bay THA	Chinook, Chum, or Coho	25	25	June 1–Oct 31

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Specific Subsistence Permit Conditions

1. The Petersburg-Wrangell salmon subsistence areas are:
 - a. **Kake:** the waters of Section 9-A and 9-B north of the latitude of Swain Pt., in the waters of District 10 west of a line from Pinta Pt. to False Pt. Pybus, and in waters of District 5 north of a line from Pt. Barrie to Boulder Pt.;
 - b. **Pt. Baker/Port Protection:** the waters of District 5 north of a line from Pt. St. Albans to Cape Pole and Section 6-A west of a line from Macnamara Pt. to Mitchell Pt. and in Section 6-B west of the longitude of Macnamara Pt.;
 - c. **Wrangell and Petersburg:** the waters of Districts 7 and 8.
2. Salmon streams flowing across, or adjacent to, the Petersburg and Wrangell road systems are closed to subsistence and personal use fishing.
3. Point Baker fishery: Includes the waters of Sumner Strait within three miles of the Prince of Wales Island shoreline north of the latitude of Hole-in-the-Wall at 56° 15.70' N lat and west of the longitude of the western side of Buster Bay at 133°29.00' W long Salmon may be only taken by drift gillnets and drift gillnets may not exceed 50 fathoms in length.
4. Falls Lake: Marine waters are closed off the stream mouth as indicated by regulatory markers. The season at Falls Lake has been divided into two open periods 6/1–7/13 and 7/23–8/15 unless closed by emergency order.
5. Gut Bay: Marine waters are closed south of 56°42.37' N lat.
6. Shipley Bay: Set gillnets may be used in Shipley Bay within 100 yards of the terminus of Shipley Creek, set gillnets may not exceed 50 fathoms in length, and the permit holder must be physically present during fishing operations.
7. Thoms Place: waters north of 56°10.79' N lat will be closed.
8. Stikine River: A Federal subsistence permit issued by the U.S. Forest Service at local USFS offices must be obtained to fish on the Stikine River.

SUBSISTENCE SALMON FISHING LIMITS AND SEASONS

Location	Salmon Species	Limits		Open Dates
		Possession	Annual	
Alecks Creek, Bay of Pillars	Sockeye	50	50	June 1–July 31
Shipley Bay	Sockeye	25	50	June 1–July 31
Salmon Bay, Red Bay	Sockeye	30	30	June 1–July 31
Mill Creek	Sockeye	20	40	July 1–July 31
Thoms Place	Sockeye	20	40	June 19–July 31 (open weekly Friday–Sunday)
Gut Bay	Sockeye	10	20	June 1–July 20
Falls Lake*	Sockeye	25	25	June 1–July 13 & July 23–Aug. 15
Pt. Baker	Sockeye	25	25	June 3–July 31 (open weekly 12pm Wed to 12pm Sun)
All streams in Psg-Wrgl subsistence areas except those sockeye systems listed above.	Pink	100	no annual limit	July 15–Sept. 15
All streams in Psg-Wrgl subsistence areas except those sockeye systems listed above.	Chum	50	no annual limit	July 1–Oct. 31
All streams in Psg-Wrgl subsistence areas except those sockeye systems listed above.	Coho	20	40	Aug 16–Oct 31

*Note the season at Falls Lake is CLOSED 7/14–7/22 and after 8/15.