

Submitted by Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

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Substitute Language for Proposal 253

5 AAC 39.670(c)(3)(D) is amended to read:

**5 AAC 39.670. Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Crab Fisheries Management Plan.**

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(c) The following provisions apply to the fisheries specified in this section:

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(3) each crab pot deployed must bear the ADF&G number of the vessel that initially registers the crab pot, and if deployed in a fishery with a crab pot limit, each pot must bear a buoy tag registered to the vessel registering that pot; in addition,

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(D) a vessel's crab pot gear may not be deployed unless the vessel is actively participating in harvesting the species in the applicable area; **except for when a vessel has checked out of a fishery under 5AAC 39.670 (c)(3)(G) and has notified the department of its intent to deploy gear consistent with 5 AAC 39.670 (c)(3)(D).**

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