

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

The following regulation is promulgated by the Lower Elwha Treaty Council and shall govern the commercial clam fisheries conducted off-reservation and on inter-tidal public lands within Region 8 by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe. The term of this regulation is from January 1 through December 31, 2024, and is intended to regulate the oyster harvest by these member Tribes in Region 8 under provisions of Paragraph 4.6 of the U.S. District Court Order of August 28, 1995 (Implementation Order) in U.S. v Washington, Sub-proceeding 89-3. In the event the Region 8 Bivalve Management Plan is completed before the end of this regulation term, this regulation will be superseded by a new regulation conforming to the provisions of the Region 8 Bivalve Management Plan.

REGULATION NUMBER: S24-015

DATE ADOPTED: MAY 22, 2024

REGULATION MODIFIED: NONE

REGULATION SUPERCEDED:NONE

CATCH AREAS: SHELLFISH AREAS 27A:

DABOB LEASE SOUTH (094520-DABOB)

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL

SPECIES: NATIVE LITTLENECK AND MANILA CLAMS

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

LEGAL GEAR: HANDHELD RAKE, FORK OR SHOVEL

EFFECTIVE DATE(S): MAY 22, 2024

OPEN DAYS AND HOURS: DABOB LEASE SOUTH (094520-DABOB),

MONITORED, OPEN FOR CLAMS:

WED (5/22) 9:00 aM TO 1:00 PM,

TRIBAL QUOTA: 3,000 LBS.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS:

1) AS PER REGULATION #S24-001.

2) HARVEST LIMITED TO CLAMS 1.5 INCHES IN LENGTH OR GREATER

3) COMMERCIAILLY HARVESTED CLAMS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 12 HOURS OF THE CLOSING TIME OF

THE FISHERY OR PLACED IN REFRIGERATED CONTAINERS.

4) A LABEL ISSUED BY THE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE MUST BE AFFIXED TO EACH BAG OR CONTAINER OF

COMMERCIAILLY HARVESTED OYSTERS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE HARVEST.

REQUIRED INFORMATION ON THE LABELS SHALL BE ENTERED LEGIBLY USING AN INDELIBLE MARKER.

- 5) THIS HARVEST OPENING WILL OCCUR WITH AN ON THE BEACH MONITOR ACCOUNTING FOR THE CATCH AT THE END OF THE FISHERY. THE HARVEST LIMIT IS 3,000 POUNDS. ONCE THIS LIMIT HAS BEEN REACHED, AS DETERMINED BY THE BEACH MONITOR, THE BEACH WILL BE CLOSED BY THE MONITORS.
- 6) ALL DIGGERS MUST CHECK IN WITH THE MONITOR PRIOR TO ENGAGING IN ANY HARVEST ACTIVITY.
- 7) ALL HARVESTING WILL CEASE WHEN THE OPENING EXPIRES OR WHEN THE MONITOR CLOSES THE FISHERY, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. HARVESTING ACTIVITY INCLUDES ALL DIGGING, COLLECTING, AND SACKING OF CLAMS.
- 8) ALL DIGGERS ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT THEIR CATCH TO THE MONITOR ON THE BEACH IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE HARVEST. HARVEST CANNOT BE REPORTED TO THE FISHERIES OFFICE AFTER THE CLOSURE OF THE FISHERY. FAILURE TO REPORT HARVEST TO THE MONITOR WILL BE A VIOLATION OF THIS REGULATION.
- 9) TRIBAL HARVESTERS WHO SELL TO A DIFFERENT BUYER THAN REPORTED TO THE MONITOR MUST NOTIFY THEIR RESPECTIVE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE OF THIS DISCREPANCY WITHIN 12 HOURS OF THE TIME OF SALE.
- 10) HARVESTERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO CROSS PRIVATE PROPERTY IN ORDER TO ACCESS TIDELANDS FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE PROPERTY OWNER(S).
- 11) DABOB LEASE TIDELANDS IS A BOAT ACCESS ONLY BEACH.
- CATCH REPORTING:
ALL COMMERCIAL HARVEST MUST BE REPORTED ON TREATY INDIAN FISH RECEIVING TICKETS.

JUSTIFICATIONS: HARVEST AVAILABLE CLAM RESOURCE.

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