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DUNGENESS CRAB REGULATIONS 2011/2012

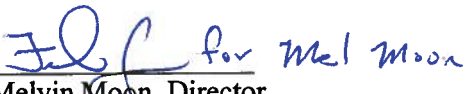
November 1, 2011


- FISHERY:** COMMERCIAL
- SPECIES:** Dungeness Crab (Cancer magister)
- SEASON:** From 12:01 a.m. November 1, 2011 through 11:59 p.m. October 31, 2012. 7 days/week, 24 hrs./day. With a 64 hr. gear-setting period to precede season opening.
- AREA:** From 48°07'36 North Latitude (Sand Point) south to 47°31'42" North Latitude(Queets River) west to 125° 44'00" west Longitude.
- EFFORT:** 7-9 vessels, with no pot limits.
- EST. HARVEST:** Upper limit: Total treaty harvest 4.0 million Lbs. Based on 50% of the 5 year average harvest (treaty/non-treaty) in area 59A1, 59A2, and 60A-1.
- LEGAL GEAR:** No Gear Restrictions
- All unattended gear must be marked with a buoy visible on the surface of water except during strong tidal flow or extreme weather conditions. Buoys shall be visible and legible marked to identify the owner or operator of the gear.
- Pot gear must have at least two circular escape rings located on the upper half of the pot, each measuring at least 4 ¼ inches in inside diameter.
- Pot gear must have "rot away" cord such that entrapped crab can escape from lost or abandoned pots.
- OTHER:** The possession of soft-shelled crab is allowed, there is no bag limit, the harvest of females is prohibited.
- The minimum size limit in the commercial fishery is 6 ¼ inches (caliper measure).

RECORD KEEPING: The Quileute tribe will monitor commercial Dungeness crab harvest through shellfish receiving tickets or reported directly to QNR. Data will be available monthly.

JUSTIFICATION: United States v. Washington sub-proceedings 89-3.

This regulation supersedes any previous regulation of the Quileute Tribe for all Harvest of Dungeness Crab.


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