



## Quileute Natural Resources

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October 12, 2009

Phil Anderson  
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
600 Capital Way N.  
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Dear Mr. Anderson:

Enclosed are copies of the Quileute Tribe's Commercial and C& S Crab fishery regulations for the 2009/2010 season. Consistent with the Harvest Management Agreement between the Quileute Indian Tribe and the State of Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, December 2008 ("the Agreement"), and the Current Shellfish Implementation Plan (section 4.6), we are providing these regulations to you prior to the commencement of Tribal Harvest in the 2009/2010 Fishing Season. It is our intent to commence harvesting crab on November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010.

If you have any questions or have the need to discuss any particulars of the 2009/2010 Crab Season please contact my office.

Sincerely,

Mel Moon, Jr.  
Director  
Quileute Natural Resources



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### QUILEUTE INDIAN TRIBE DUNGENESS CRAB REGULATIONS 2009/2010 October 15, 2009

**FISHERY:** CEREMONIAL AND SUBSISTENCE (NONCOMMERCIAL)

**SPECIES:** Dungeness Crab (Cancer magister)

**SEASON:** From 12:01 a.m. November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010. 7 days/week, 24 hours/day. With a 64 hour 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).

**EFFORT:** 7-9 vessels

**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 legibly marked to identify the owner or operator of the gear.

The possession of soft shelled crab is allowed. Harvest of females crab is prohibited.

Pot gear must have at least two circular escape rings located on the upper half of each pot, each measuring at least 4 ¼ inches (inside diameter).

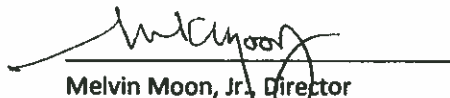
Pot gear must have "rot away" chord such that entrapped crab can escape from lost or abandoned pots.

There is no bag limit and no minimum size limit.

**RECORD KEEPING:** The Quileute tribe will monitor C & S Dungeness crab harvest through shellfish receiving tickets or reported directly to QNR.

**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.

  
Melvin Moon, Jr., Director  
Quileute Natural Resources

  
Policy Representative  
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### DUNGENESS CRAB REGULATIONS 2009/2010

October 15, 2009

- FISHERY:** COMMERCIAL
- SPECIES:** Dungeness Crab (*Cancer magister*)
- SEASON:** From 12:01 a.m. November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010. 7 days/week, 24 hours/day. With a 64 hour 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 pounds. Based on 50% of the 5 year average harvest (treaty/nontreaty) in area 59A-1, 59A-2, 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 legibly marked to identify the owner or operator of the gear.
- The minimum size limit in the commercial fishery is 6 ¼ inches (caliper measure) and harvest of female crabs is prohibited.
- The possession of soft shelled crab for sale is allowed.
- Pot gear must have at least two circular escape rings located on the upper half of each pot, each measuring at least 4 ¼ inches (inside diameter).
- Pot gear must have "rot away" chord such that entrapped crab can escape from lost or abandoned pots.
- There is no bag limit.

**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

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