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DUNGENESS CRAB REGULATIONS 2020/2021
October 8, 2020

COMMERCIAL-Dungeness Crab (Cancer Magister)

FISHERY:

SPECIES:
Dungeness Crab (Cancer magister)

SEASON:
7 days/week, 24 hours/day.

OPENS:
12:01 a.m. November 1, 2020

CLOSES:
11:59 p.m. September 15, 2021.

64-hour gear-setting period to precede season opening.

AREA:
Cape Alava 48° 10'00” North Latitude
Queets River 47°31’42” North Latitude

EFFORT:
5-7 vessels with no pot limits.

EST. HARVEST:
Upper limit: Total treaty harvest based on 50% of the 5-year average harvest
(treaty/nontreaty) in area 59A-1, 59A-2, and 60A-1

HARVEST RESTRICTIONS:
The minimum size limit in the commercial fishery is 6 ¾ inches (caliper measure)
and harvest of female crabs is prohibited.

No bag limits

LEGAL GEAR:
No gear restrictions.

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 with assigned buoy colors and ID# branded to a depth of ½
inch 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 each pot, each measuring at least 4 ¾ inches (inside diameter).

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

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.

This regulation supersedes any previous regulation of the Quileute Tribe for
commercial Harvest of Dungeness crab.

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