



1997
Oregon Ocean Salmon
and Halibut Sport
Fishing Regulations

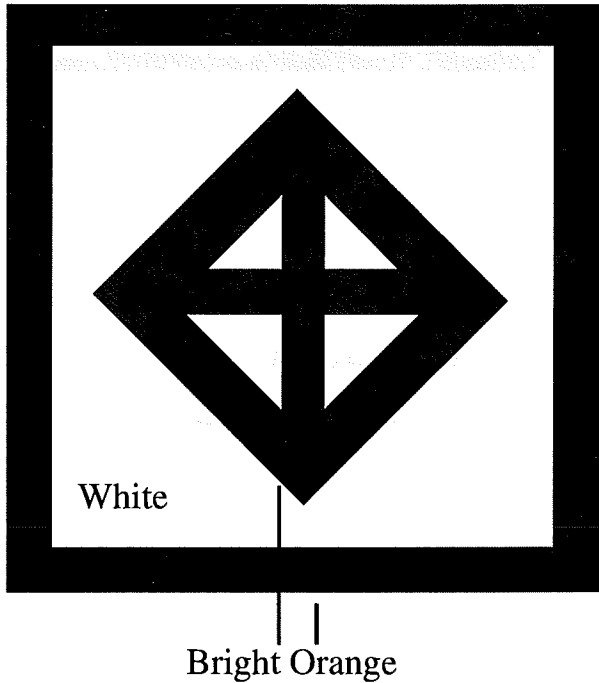
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MODIFICATIONS TO SALMON REGULATIONS
FOR BAYS AND COASTAL RIVERS

This information supersedes seasons listed in the 1997 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations pamphlet. Steelhead regulations are unaffected.

Note: Regulations subject to in-season changes.
See page 3 for sources of information

May 1997



ODFW MARKER AT TILLAMOOK BAY **(see map, pages 6 & 7)**

Markers are located at the north end (45° 35' 00" N. Latitude) and south end (45° 32' 50" N. Latitude) of the Tillamook Area Control Zone. The control zone is defined as a triangular area extending from the green buoy located about one-half mile offshore of the mouth of Tillamook Bay to shoreside points about three-quarter mile north of the north jetty and about one and one-quarter miles south of the south jetty.

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ABOUT THE REGULATIONS

The ocean salmon seasons were developed and adopted by the Pacific Fishery Management Council in April. The regulations for ocean areas from 3 to 200 miles from shore were then approved by the Secretary of Commerce. The regulations for ocean areas inside 3 miles were approved by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission.

The regulations contained in this book apply to all fish taken in state waters or landed in Oregon. These may be amended by in-season management changes.

IN-SEASON MANAGEMENT CHANGES

Anglers are advised to stay informed of the in-season changes to these regulations. Consult federal or state fishery management agencies for current information for the areas in which anglers are or will be fishing. Sources of information are:

- *Ocean salmon hotline*: 1-800-662-9825 or 1-206-526-6667. Recorded messages summarize in-season changes to date. Maintained by the NW Regional Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, in Seattle, Washington.
- *U.S. Coast Guard Notice to Mariners broadcasts*. Announcements on Channel 16 VHF-FM and 2182 KHz designate the channel or frequency over which the Notice to Mariners will be immediately broadcast.
- *ODFW Regional and Headquarters Offices*. See back of this pamphlet for address and phone numbers. A recorded message on salmon seasons is available by calling 1-503-872-5263.
- *Pacific Fishery Management Council*, 2130 SW Fifth Ave., Suite 224, Portland, Oregon 97201, phone 1-503-326-6352.

Complete copies of federal regulations which apply in the ocean from 3 to 200

miles from shore may be obtained from ODFW or the National Marine Fisheries Service, NW Regional Office, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700 - Bldg. 1, Seattle, Washington 98115-0070, phone 1-206-526-6150.

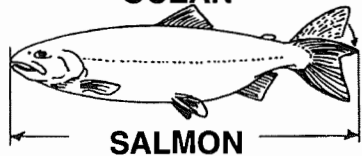
MEASURING SALMON AND HALIBUT LENGTH

Length: The legal length of any fish (except halibut and salmon in the ocean) is the shortest distance between the tip of the tail and the tip of the snout, measured while the fish is lying on its side on a flat surface with its tail in a normal position (see sketch). For salmon in the ocean, the tail may be fanned in order to extend the length (see sketch). The length of a halibut is measured in a straight line from the tip of the lower jaw with the mouth closed to the extreme end of the middle of the tail (see sketch below).

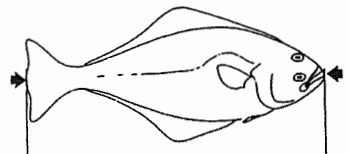
INLAND



OCEAN



Head on Legal Measurement



HALIBUT

**ESTUARY AND FRESHWATER SALMON FISHERIES
FOR THE NORTHWEST ZONE**

Unless specified below or on the attached maps, all other regulations remain as listed in the 1997 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulation pamphlet.

Season

The seasons for chinook salmon in the Northwest Zone listed in the 1997 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulation pamphlet as open through November 30 are extended through December 31.

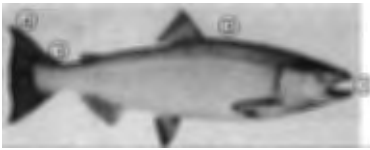
Spring Timeframe Chinook Catch Limits

Catch limits for spring chinook salmon during open seasons in the Tillamook, Nehalem, and Nestucca basins in aggregate are 2 adult chinook and 5 jack salmon per day, 2 adults in 7 consecutive days, 10 adults per season. It is unlawful to angle for jack salmon after retaining an adult catch limit. Open spring chinook seasons are as listed in pamphlet.

Fall Timeframe Chinook Catch Limits

Catch limits for fall chinook beginning August 1 through December 31 in the Tillamook Terminal Ocean Area and Tillamook, Nehalem, and Nestucca basins in aggregate are 2 adult chinook and 5 jack salmon per day, 4 adults in 7 consecutive days, 10 adults per season. It is unlawful to angle for jack salmon after retaining an adult catch limit.

Salmon Identification



Chinook (King)

- 1 Lower jaw at base of teeth black - best feature
- 2 Large uneven spots
- 3 Tail fin rays smooth
- 4 Spots on both tail lobes



Lower Jaw

**Chinook
Coho**

Coho (Silver)

- 1 Lower jaw at base of teeth is white - best feature
- 2 Small round spots on back
- 3 Tail fin rays ribbed
- 4 Spots on upper tail lobe only



Lower Jaw

1997 OCEAN SPORT SALMON SEASONS

Single-point, single-shank *BARBLESS HOOKS REQUIRED.*

LEADBETTER POINT

- Open Area:** Leadbetter Point to Cape Falcon.
Closed within the Columbia River Control Zone and within 0-3 miles of shore to the north of the Control Zone.
- Season:** July 21 - Sept. 25 or 17,500 coho quota; 1,500 chinook guideline. Open Sunday through Thursday.
- Bag Limit:** Two salmon per day, no more than 4 in 7 consecutive days. **Open to all salmon.**
- Size Limit:** 16" minimum length limit for coho, 24" minimum length for chinook, and 20" minimum length for steelhead.

CAPE FALCON

- Open Area:** Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain
- Season:** April 15 - July 6 and Aug. 1- Oct. 31.
- Bag Limit:** 2 salmon per day; no more than 6 in 7 consecutive days. **Closed to the take of coho salmon.**
- Size Limit:** 20" minimum length for chinook and steelhead.
- Gear Restrictions:** Artificial lures, plugs, or bait no less than 6" long (excluding hooks and swivels); divers are prohibited; and flashers may only be used with downriggers.
- Note:** The Tillamook Area Control Zone is closed April 15 through September 15. Special regulations apply from Aug. 1-Nov. 15 in state waters (0-3 miles) off Tillamook Bay.

HUMBUG MOUNTAIN

- Open Area:** Humbug Mountain to Horse Mountain
- Season:** May 24 - 30, June 17 - July 6, and Aug. 12- Sept. 14
- Bag Limit:** One salmon per day, no more than 4 in 7 consecutive days. **Closed to the take of coho salmon.**
- Size Limit:** 20 inch minimum length for chinook and steelhead.

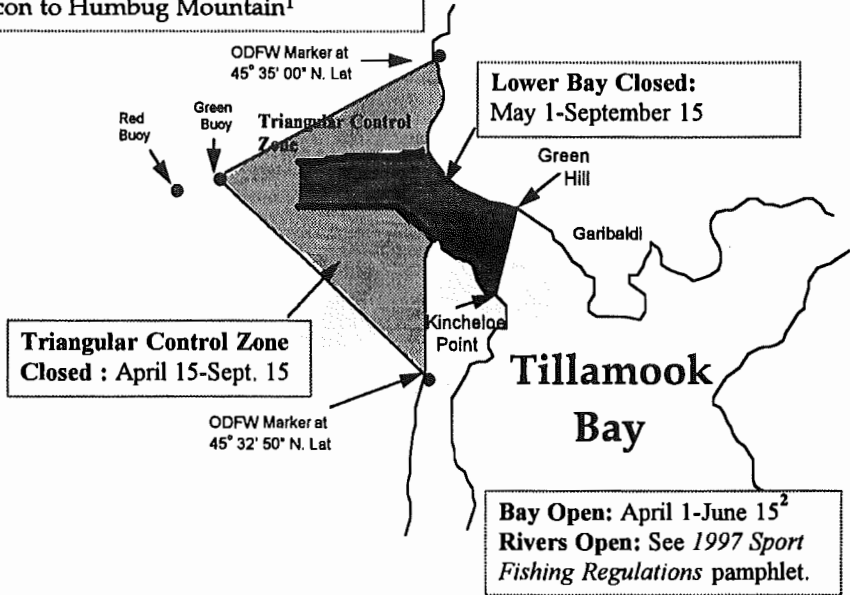
HORSE MOUNTAIN



1997 Tillamook Area Spring Chinook Sport Fishery

Ocean (except triangular control zone)

Open: April 15 - July 6 from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain¹



Ocean Spring Season (April 15-July 6):

Catch limit of 2 chinook per day (20 inch minimum); no more than 6 fish in 7 consecutive days. Applies to area outside of the Control Zone.

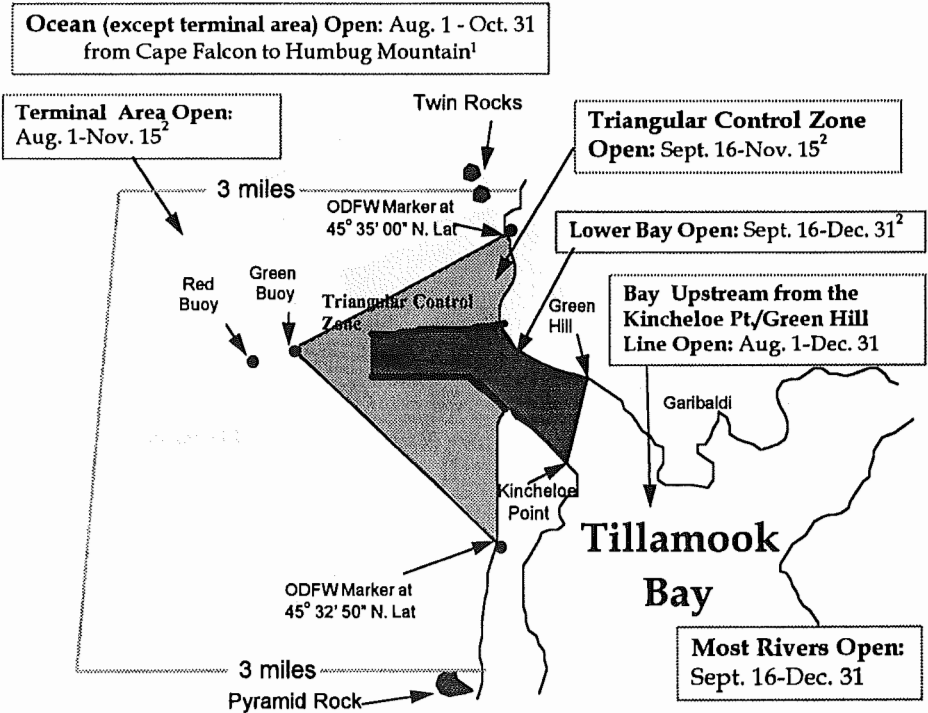
Inland Season (See 1997 Sport Fishing Regulations pamphlet):

Catch limit of 2 adult chinook and 5 jack salmon per day; no more than 2 adults in 7 consecutive days; no more than 10 adults per season. Unlawful to angle for jack salmon after retaining an adult catch limit. Applies to Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca basins in aggregate (rivers and bays combined) through July 31.

¹Gear restrictions for ocean area: Artificial lures or bait, any of which must be no less than six inches in length (excluding hooks and swivels) with no more than 2 single-point, single-shank barbless hooks; divers are prohibited; flashers allowed on downriggers only.

² Gear restrictions for inland areas: Barbed hooks may be used in bays and rivers during spring season.

1997 Tillamook Area Fall Chinook Sport Fishery



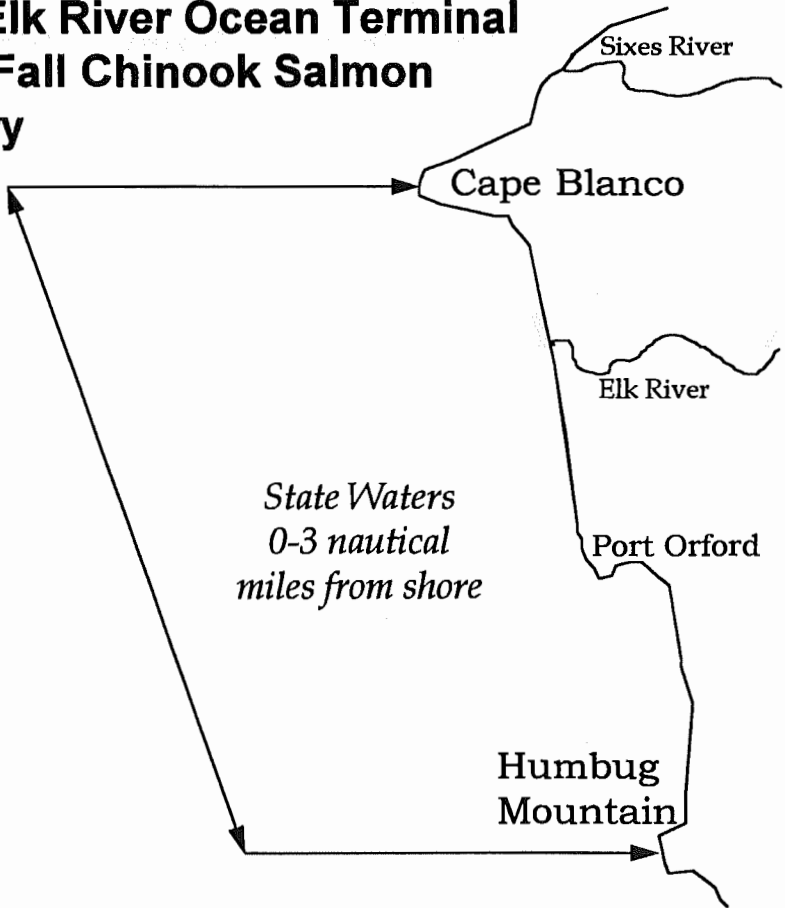
Ocean Catch Limits Outside Terminal Area: 2 chinook per day (20 inch minimum); 6 in 7 consecutive days. (Aug. 1 - Oct. 31).

Tillamook Terminal Area and Inland Catch Limits: 2 adult chinook and 5 jack salmon per day; 4 adults in 7 consecutive days; 10 adults per season. Unlawful to angle for jack salmon after retaining an adult catch limit. Applies to Tillamook Terminal Area and Tillamook, Nehalem, and Nestucca basins in aggregate (rivers and bays combined) from Aug. 1 through Dec. 31.

¹ **Gear restrictions for ocean area outside of Terminal Area (rectangular zone):** Artificial lures or bait, any of which must be no less than 6 inches in length (excluding hooks and swivels) with no more than 2 single-point, single-shank barbless hooks; divers are prohibited; flashers allowed on downriggers only.

² **Gear restrictions for terminal area, control zone, and lower bay up to Kincheloe Point/Green Hill line:** Artificial lures or bait, any of which must be no less than 6 inches in length (excluding hooks and swivels) with no more than 2 single-point, single-shank hooks; divers and flashers are prohibited.

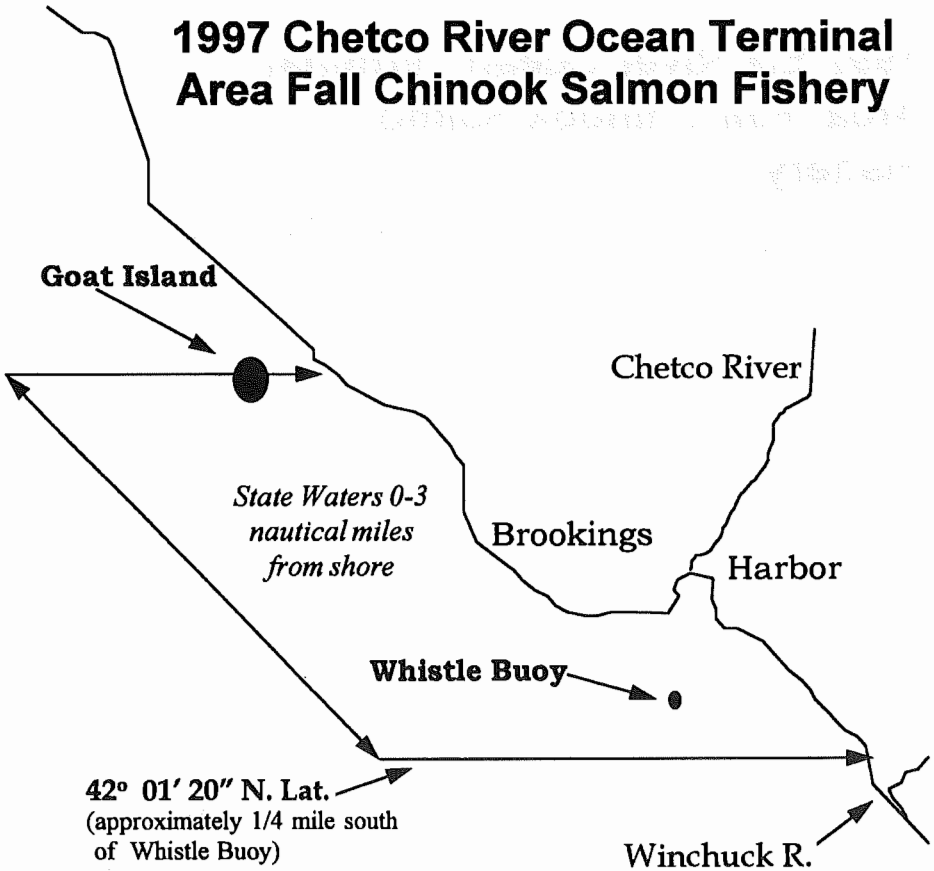
1997 Elk River Ocean Terminal Area Fall Chinook Salmon Fishery



Sport Fishery: Open November 1 - November 30. One chinook per day, no more than 4 fish in 7 consecutive days. Barbless hooks required. Minimum size for chinook is 20 inches.

Commercial Troll Fishery: Open October 1-November 30. If general season is closed, all chinook caught in the state waters fishery must be landed into Port Orford. Four spreads per line. Barbless hooks are required. Minimum size for chinook is 26 inches. Note: Regulations may be changed inseason.

1997 Chetco River Ocean Terminal Area Fall Chinook Salmon Fishery



Sport Fishery: Open October 4 - 12. One chinook per day, no more than 4 fish in 7 consecutive days. Barbless hooks required. Minimum size for chinook is 20 inches.

Commercial Troll Fishery: Open October 13 through earlier of October 31 or the 1,000 chinook quota. Fish must be landed into Brookings. Four spreads per line. Barbless hooks are required. Minimum size for chinook is 26 inches. Twenty fish single daily landing limit.

1997 OREGON SPORT HALIBUT REGULATIONS

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Leadbetter Point, WA to Cape Falcon

- Open May 1 until 6,215 pounds have been taken, or September 30.
- Open 7 days per week.
- One halibut per day; 32-inch minimum length.

Cape Falcon To Florence North Jetty

First Season

- Open May 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 23 and 24. Depending on remaining quota, may also open one or more of the following days: June 6, 7, 13 or 14.
- Open selected Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.
- 2 halibut per day; 1 at 32-inch minimum length and 1 at 50-inch minimum length.

Second Season

- Open May 25 within the 30 fathom line until the earlier of 8,925 pounds have been taken or July 31.
- Open 7 days per week.
- 2 halibut per day; 1 at 32-inch minimum length and 1 at 50-inch minimum length.

Third Season

- Open August 1, 2 and 9 or until the total state catch south of Cape Falcon reaches 137,600 pounds. If quota remains, may also open one or more of the following days: August 22, 23, 29 or 30.
- Two halibut per day; 1 at 32-inch minimum length and 1 at 50-inch minimum length.

Florence North Jetty to OR/CA border

First Season

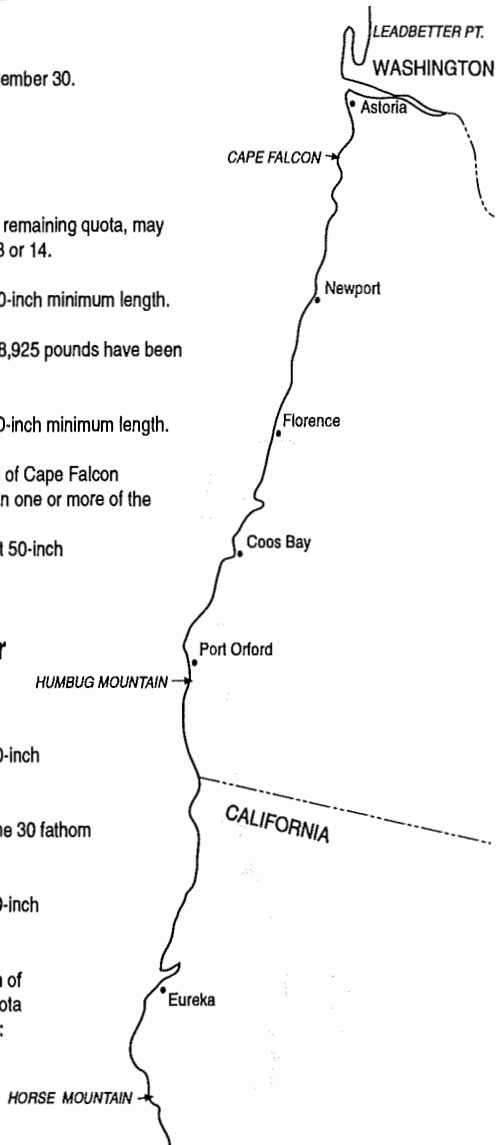
- Open May 8 until 8,077 pounds have been taken.
- Open Thursday through Saturday only.
- 2 halibut per day; 1 at 32-inch minimum length and 1 at 50-inch minimum length.

Second Season

- Open the day following closure of the first season within the 30 fathom line until 2,019 pounds have been taken or July 31.
- Open 7 days per week.
- 2 halibut per day; 1 at 32-inch minimum length and 1 at 50-inch minimum length.

Third Season

- Open August 1, 2 and 9 or until the total state catch south of Cape Falcon reaches the earlier of 137,600 pounds. If quota remains, may also open one or more of the following days: August 22, 23, 29 or 30.
- Open Friday and Saturday only.
- 2 halibut per day; 1 at 32-inch minimum length and 1 at 50-inch minimum length.

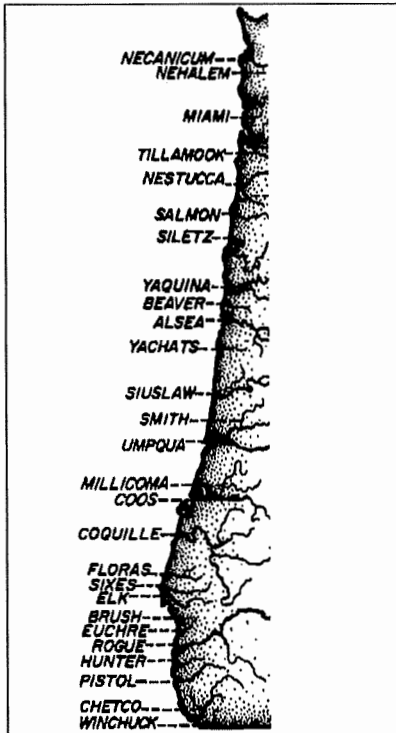


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Resident License

Annual Angling	\$17.50
Annual Combination Angling and Hunting	29.50
Daily Angling (Salmon/Steelhead, Sturgeon, Halibut tags not required)	6.75
Annual Juvenile Angling (14 through 17 years of age)	6.25
Annual Salmon/Steelhead Tag	10.50
Annual Sturgeon Tag	6.00
Annual Halibut Tag	6.00
• Wheelchair Angling-Permanent License (1 year residency required)	6.00
• Pioneer Angling and Hunting (65 yr of age and 50 yr Oregon resident)	2.00-12.00
• Senior Citizen Angling and Hunting (70 yr of age and 5 yr Oregon resident)	Free
• Disabled War Veteran Angling (1 yr residency required)	Free
• Blind Angler	Free
• Issued only by ODFW Portland office	

Nonresident License

Annual Angling	\$40.50
7-Day Angling (Salmon/Steelhead, Sturgeon, Halibut tags not required)	30.50
Daily Angling (Salmon/Steelhead, Sturgeon, Halibut tags not required)	6.75
Annual Salmon/Steelhead Tag	10.50
Annual Sturgeon Tag	6.00
Annual Halibut Tag	6.00

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