



T'aaq-wiihak

Implementing Nuu-chah-nulth Fishing Rights

Summary of Fisher Responsibilities

Below is a summary of the key elements of the T'aaq-wiihak management system. By agreeing to the elements of this document, you are confirming you understand your responsibilities as a T'aaq-wiihak fisher. Please INITIAL each of the boxes to confirm you understand.

	Every person who participates in the fishery must be authorized by the Nation and must carry a T'aaq-wiihak card. The skipper must present his card to the T'aaq-wiihak monitor(s) at the time of landing, or a landing cannot occur.
	When fishing under a T'aaq-wiihak fishery, fishers must follow the species, gear (i.e. using barbless hooks), per-vessel maximum catch limits (if in place) and area restrictions laid out in the fisheries notice for each opening.
	Fishers that fish outside of the rules/parameters of T'aaq-wiihak are responsible for their actions and subject to enforcement directly by DFO.
	By-catch that is not authorized for sale can be retained for home use. Fishers must report their WHOLE catch to the Dockside Monitor at time of landing, and record all AT-SEA RELEASES and catch in their fishing log.
	All vessels must <u>hail out</u> through the T'aaq-wiihak hail-phone or website.
	All vessels must complete their daily fishing log for each day of fishing and provide the record to the dockside monitor at time of landing in order to receive a landing slip.
	Fishers operate as an independent business, not a co-venturer with, employee or partner of the Nation.
	The Fisher will ensure that any personnel or crew on the Fisher's vessel have adequate safety, first aid and emergency training, and that all appropriate safety and emergency procedures are in place.
	The Fisher will ensure that vessels used in the fishery comply with all T'aaq-wiihak, Transport Canada, Industry Canada, Canada Shipping Act, Fisheries Act, Canadian Food Inspection Agency and WorksafeBC regulations.
	The Fisher is aware of the inherent dangers, hazards and risks associated with fishing, including loss of life, personal injury and damage to property. The Fisher accepts and assumes all expenses and all risk of accident, damage or loss of any kind, including but not limited to loss of life, injury, property damage or loss of anticipated income from fishing.

I understand the above conditions and agree to adhere to the conditions when participating in T'aaq-wiihak opportunities.

Fisher Name

Date

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