



Licence Number: XCSF 43 2022

File Number: Salmon AABM with Pilot Area

Valid From: 01-Aug-2022

Expiry Date: 10-Aug-2022

ABORIGINAL COMMUNAL FISHING LICENCE TO HARVEST AND SELL SALMON AND GROUND FISH FOR AHOUSAHT, EHATTEAHT, HESQUIAHT, MOWACHAHT/MUCHALAHT, AND TLA-O-QUI-AHT, COLLECTIVELY AS THE FIVE NATIONS.

This licence is issued under authority of the Fisheries Act and subsection 4(1) of the Aboriginal Communal Fishing Licences Regulations.

The licence conditions in this licence are specified pursuant to section 5 of the Aboriginal Communal Fishing Licences Regulations and subsection 22(1) of the Fishery (General) Regulations.

This licence applies to harvesters hailed out for salmon trips.

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**Licence Holders:**

FIN: 74856                      AHOUSAHT INDIAN BAND

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FIN: 64166                      EHATTEAHT INDIAN BAND

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FIN: 89477                      HESQUIAHT INDIAN BAND

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FIN: 81953                      MOWACHAHT/MUCHALAHT INDIAN BAND

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FIN: 113154                     TLA-O-QUI-AHT FIRST NATIONS

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**Allowable Fishing Times:**

Fishing periods defined for a species supersede all periods defined in this section.

**Licence Holder:**        All

**Start:**                      Monday, August 1, 2022 at 00:01

**End:**                        Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 23:59

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**Individuals or groups assisting with the authorized activity:**

The Maximum Harvest Amounts set out in this licence represent the maximum combined harvest amounts shared by the Five Nations.

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**Species, Quantity of Fish, Area(s) and Gear:**

**Licence Holder:**        All

**Species:**                    CHINOOK SALMON (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*)

**Gear:**                        Hook and Line (Hook Type: Barbless)

**Licence Area:**            Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24



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**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on area, size limits and gear type.

Sale: Chinook may be sold. For the 2022 season, the maximum total harvest amount is 15.974% of the available catch remaining after requirements for FSC and treaty have been deducted from the WCVI AABM Chinook CTAC.

AABM Chinook caught during the period October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 will be accounted for against the AABM Chinook allocation described in the 2022 Five Nations Multi-Species Fishery Management Plan.

FSC: Chinook may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** COHO SALMON (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*)  
**Gear:** Hook and Line (Hook Type: Barbless)  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on licence area, size limits and gear type.

Sale: Hatchery marked Coho caught as bycatch from offshore areas (portions of PFMA 124, 125 and 126) may be sold.

Sale: Hatchery marked Coho caught as bycatch from portions of PFMA 24 may be sold. For the 2022 season, the maximum total sale amount of Coho is 1,000 pieces from PFMA 24. This licence authorizes the sale of only hatchery marked Coho from these inshore waters.

FSC: In offshore waters (PMFA's 124, 125 and 126) hatchery marked Coho may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes; however, all efforts and attempts shall be made to return all Wild Coho to the water alive and unharmed. After all efforts and attempts to return Wild Coho to the water alive and unharmed have been made, Wild Coho that are dead may be retained. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

FSC: In inshore waters (PMFA 24) both wild and hatchery marked Coho may be retained for FSC. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** SOCKEYE SALMON (*Oncorhynchus nerka*)  
**Gear:** Hook and Line (Hook Type: Barbless)  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 24; Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126



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**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on area and gear type.

Sale: Sockeye salmon may not be sold.

FSC: Sockeye salmon may be retained for FSC from offshore waters (PFMA's 124, 125 and 126). The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

FSC: Sockeye may be retained from inshore waters (portions of PFMA 24) for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** CHUM SALMON (*Oncorhynchus keta*)  
**Gear:** Hook and Line (Hook Type: Barbless)  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on area and gear type.

Sale: Chum caught as bycatch in offshore waters (portions for 124, 125 and 126) may be sold.

FSC: Chum may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** PINK SALMON (*Oncorhynchus gorboscha*)  
**Gear:** Hook and Line (Hook Type: Barbless)  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on area and gear type.

Sale: Pink caught as bycatch from offshore waters (portions of PFMA's 124, 125 and 126) may be sold.

FSC: Pink may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** PACIFIC HALIBUT (*Hippoglossus stenolepis*)  
**Gear:** Hook and Line



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**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on size limits, licence area and gear type.

Sale: Halibut may be sold. For the 2022 Halibut season, the maximum total sale amount is 1.0820% of the commercial Halibut TAC.

Groundfish caught during the period of January 1 to March 31 will be accounted for against the groundfish allocations described in the next year's Five Nations Multi-Species Fishery Management Plan.

FSC: Halibut may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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**Licence Holder:** All

**Species:** LINGCOD (*Ophiodon elongatus*)

**Gear:** Hook and Line

**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on fishing area, size limits and gear type.

Sale: Lingcod may be sold. For the 2022 Lingcod season, subject to close times, the maximum total sale amount is 11.7963% of the commercial Lingcod fishery area 3C TAC and 11.6714% of the commercial Lingcod Area 3D TAC.

FSC: Lingcod may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence. First Nations are requested not to harvest lingcod during spawning and guarding times from November 16 until March 31. Size limits apply to FSC catch - see Terms and Conditions section 5. size limits.

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**Licence Holder:** All

**Species:** NORTH PACIFIC SPINY DOGFISH (*Squalus suckleyi*)

**Gear:** Hook and Line

**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on licence area and gear type.

Sale: Dogfish may be sold. For the 2022 season, the maximum total sale amount is 0.1668% of the commercial Dogfish fishery area 3C/D, 5A/B/C/D/E TAC

Groundfish caught during the period of January 1 to March 31 will be accounted for against the groundfish allocations described in the next year's Five Nations Multi-Species Fishery Management Plan.

FSC: Dogfish may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.



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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** All Rockfish  
**Gear:** Hook and Line  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on fishing area, size limits and gear type.

Sale: Rockfish may be sold. Yelloweye Rockfish are subject to a trip limit of either 150lbs or the calculated total of 10% of the landed weight of Pacific Halibut, whichever is greater.

For the 2022 season, the maximum total sale amount is 4.1885% of the commercial Rockfish fishery TACs for 3C/D Canary Rockfish, 3C/D Silvergray Rockfish; 3C/D, 5A Quillback Rockfish; 3C/D, 5A Copper, China, Tiger Rockfish; as well as 1.0820% of the Halibut Sector rockfish TACs.

Sale: For the 2022 season, the maximum total sale amount of Yelloweye rockfish is 5.2356% of the commercial rockfish fishery TAC and 2.0019% of the commercial Halibut fishery area 3C/D TAC.

Sale: Groundfish caught during the period of January 1 to March 31 will be accounted for against the groundfish allocations described in the next year's Five Nations Multi-Species Fishery Management Plan.

Non-quota rockfish species are subject to the following trip limits (in round pounds):

- "Other rockfish": 100 pounds

FSC: Rockfish may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

No rockfish shall be released at sea.

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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** Non-quota Groundfish  
**Gear:** Hook and Line  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on licence area and gear type.

Sale: The following non-quota groundfish species may be sold with the following trip limits (in round pounds):

Pacific Cod: 100 pounds

Sculpin (including Cabezon): 100 pounds

Sole and flounder: no limit

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**Species:** BIG SKATE (*Beringraja binoculata*)  
**Gear:** Hook and Line  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on licence area and gear type.

Sale: Big Skate may be sold. For the 2022 season, the maximum total sale amount is 0.1668% of the commercial Dogfish fishery area 3C/D, 5A/B/C/D/E TAC; 4.1885% of the commercial rockfish fishery area 3C/D TAC; 0.7753% of the commercial Sablefish fishery area 3C/D TAC; and 1.0820% of the Halibut commercial fishery area 3C/D TAC.

Groundfish caught during the period of January 1 to March 31 will be accounted for against the groundfish allocations described in the next year's Five Nations Multi-Species Fishery Management Plan.

FSC: Big Skate may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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**Licence Holder:** All  
**Species:** LONGNOSE SKATE (*Raja rhina*)  
**Gear:** Hook and Line  
**Licence Area:** Portions of PFMA 124; Portions of PFMA 125; Portions of PFMA 126; Portions of PFMA 24

**Additional Descriptions:** See Terms and Conditions for specific details on licence area and gear type.

Sale: Longnose Skate may be sold. For the 2022 season, the maximum total sale amount is 0.1668% of the commercial Dogfish fishery area 3C/D, 5A/B/C/D/E TAC; 4.1885% of the commercial rockfish fishery area 3C/D TAC; 0.7753% of the commercial Sablefish fishery area 3C/D TAC; and 1.0820% of the Halibut commercial fishery area 3C/D TAC.

Groundfish caught during the period of January 1 to March 31 will be accounted for against the groundfish allocations described in the next year's Five Nations Multi-Species Fishery Management Plan.

FSC: Longnose Skate may be retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) purposes. The amount of FSC fish permitted to be retained while dual fishing shall not exceed the allocation set out in each First Nation's annual FSC licence.

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### Terms and Conditions:

Pursuant to subsection 22(6) of the *Fishery (General) Regulations*, compliance with the *Fisheries Act* and the regulations made under the Act is a condition of this licence.

### Definitions:

'AABM' means the Aggregate Abundance Based Model employed by the Chinook Technical Committee of the Pacific



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Salmon Commission to assist in the sustainable management of Chinook fisheries in Canadian and U.S. waters;

'Area (PFMA)' and 'Subarea' have the same meaning as in the *Pacific Fishery Management Area Regulations, 2007*.

'Barbless hook' includes a barbed hook, the barb of which has been compressed so that it is in complete contact with the shaft of the hook;

'Canadian Total Allowable Catch' (CTAC) means the amount that is available for harvest by First Nations for FSC and Treaty domestic purposes, commercial and recreational fisheries. For further clarity, the Five Nations allocations are a share of the available catch remaining after requirements for FSC and Treaty have been deducted from the CTAC.

'Commercial Troll Gear Configuration' means vessels with 4 to 6 fishing lines each equipped with a heavy weight and multiple lures attached to each line. Each line is suspended from poles (outriggers or trolling poles) extending from the fishing vessel. Fishing lines are set and retrieved using gurdies (mechanical cranks). Vessels often have high capacity fish holds or freezers and are generally able to fish multiple days before returning to port.

'Dockside observer' means a person who is designated under section 39 or 39.1; (observateur). The Regional Director-General may designate as an observer any individual who is qualified and trained to perform any of the duties described in subsection (2) and who (a) does not hold a certificate of accreditation issued under the Professional Fish Harvesters Act, S.N. 1996, c. P-26.1, or a fisher's registration card; (b) does not purchase fish for the purpose of resale; and (c) is not an owner, operator, manager or employee of an enterprise that catches, cultures, processes or transports fish.

'Department (DFO)' means the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

'Fishery' means fishing under the authority of this licence;

'Five Nations' means collectively the Ahousaht, Ehattesaht, Hesquiaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations.

'Hatchery Marked Coho'; means a Coho salmon that has a healed scar in place of the adipose fin;

'Landing Slip' means a form that must be completed when selling, transporting or possessing fish caught during a fishery under the authority of this licence, except while on the water actively fishing or on the water transporting fish to a designated landing site;

'Participant' means an individual carrying on fishing or a related activity including harvesting, transporting, and landing of fish under the authority of this licence;

'Plug' means a hard cylindrical or tapered lure constructed of wood or plastic painted to resemble a bait fish;

'T'aaq-wiihak decal number' means the unique number assigned to a vessel by the Licence Holders.

'Ha'oom Fisheries Manager' means a person responsible for various duties related to this fishery.

'Trip' means the time between leaving a port to commence fishing and the return to a port for the landing of catch;

'Validated' means verification by a dockside observer employed by an approved dockside monitoring service provider of the landed catch by species of the total number and weight.

'Vessel Master' means the individual embarked on the vessel and responsible for the operation of the vessel and the fishing activities carried out under authority of this licence.

## 1. Disposition of Fish:

Fish retained under the authority of this licence may be sold or retained for Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC)



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## **2. Designation of Individuals:**

(1) Only members of Ahousaht, Ehattesaht, Hesquiaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, and Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations are eligible to participate in the fishery. Participants in the fishery shall be designated by Ahousaht, Ehattesaht, Hesquiaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, or Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations. Designations are personal and non-transferable.

(2) Individuals who fish under authority of the licence shall carry documentation to establish their identity as Participants (T'aaq-wiihak Card) and membership in one of Ahousaht, Ehattesaht, Hesquiaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, and Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations while participating in the fishery and while transporting fish harvested in the fishery, and will present such documentation on request by any fishery officer or fishery guardian.

(3) The Ha'oom Fisheries Manager shall provide a list of the names of designated Participants, their T'aaq-wiihak Card number to DFO at the start of the fishing season before fishing commences. The Five Nations may amend the list of designated individuals and vessels in-season and shall provide the amended list to DFO at the earliest possible opportunity and before the newly designated individuals and vessels commence fishing activities. Any changes to the list of designated individuals shall be sent to DFO.

## **3. Designation of Vessels:**

(1) A vessel designated to harvest fish shall be identified by a T'aaq-wiihak decal number and a T'aaq-wiihak flag. The T'aaq-wiihak flag shall be mounted as high as practical and be clearly visible, legible and unobstructed.

(2) The Ha'oom Fisheries Manager shall provide a list of the names of designated vessels with the T'aaq-wiihak decal number and vessel registration number to DFO at the start of the fishing season before fishing commences.

(3) The Five Nations may amend the list of designated vessels in-season and shall provide the amended list to DFO before the newly designated vessels commence fishing activities. Any changes to the list of designated vessels shall be sent to DFO.

## **4. Designation of Landing Sites:**

(1) Fish caught under the authority of this licence shall only be landed at the following landing sites to allow for inspection and attendance by dockside observers:

- a) Lions Gate Fisheries Dock, Tofino;
- b) Fourth Street Dock, Tofino
- c) Tinlet Fish Co, Ucluelet
- d) Ahminaquis Boat Launch, Gold River; and
- e) Zeballos Government Dock/Zeballos Ice.

## **5. Size limits:**

(1) All Chinook retained for sale must be greater than 45 cm in length measured from the tip of the nose to the fork of the tail.





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(2) All Coho retained for sale must be greater than 30 cm in length measured from the tip of the nose to the fork of the tail; or 26 cm in length measured along the shortest length of the body to the fork of the tail where the head has been removed.

(3) All Lingcod retained must be greater than 65 cm head-on measured from the tip of the nose to the tip of the tail or head off, greater than 50 cm measured along the shortest length of the body to the tip of the tail.

(4) All Halibut retained must be greater than 81.3 cm (32 inches) head-on measured in a straight line, passing over the pectoral fin, from the tip of the lower jaw with the mouth closed to the extreme end of the middle of the tail or head off more than 61.0 cm (24 inches), measured in a straight line from the base of the pectoral fin at its most anterior point to the extreme end of the middle of the tail.

## 6. Waters in which fishing is permitted to be carried out:

The fishery is open in the Court Defined Area as defined in section 6(1) below and the Pilot Agreement Fishing Area defined in 6(2) below, except for Rockfish Conservation Areas as defined in section 6(3) and WCVI Chinook Protection Areas as defined in section 6(4) in that portion of Subarea 24-8 seaward of a line drawn from Lennard Island light 49° 06.625'N 125° 55.412' W, then northwesterly to Echachis Island 49° 07.489' N 125° 56.476' W, then northwesterly from Wickaninnish Island 49° 08.639' N 125° 57.191' W to Moser Point 49° 09.032' N 125° 57.752' W. And those portions of Areas 124, 125 and 126 that are seaward of a boundary line located approximately 1 nm seaward of the surfline except closed areas.

The BOUNDARY LINE is described below.

**Boundary Line:** A line that begins at Pacheena Point lighthouse at 48 degrees 43.327'N 125 degrees 05.855'W, then to 48 degrees 42.456'N 125 degrees 06.583'W seaward of Pachena Point, then to 48 degrees 46.420 N 125 degrees 13.997 W seaward of Cape Beale, then to 48 degrees 54.572 N 125 degrees 33.622 W seaward of Amphitrite Point, then to 49 degrees 05.100 N 125 degrees 54.646 W seaward of Cox Point, then to 49 degrees 10.280 N 126 degrees 04.790 W seaward of Blunden Island, then to 49 degrees 16.472 N 126 degrees 15.140W seaward of Rafael Point, then to 49 degrees 20.008 N 126 degrees 17.188 W seaward of Sydney Inlet, then to 49 degrees 23.807N 126 degrees 24.483 W seaward of Hesquiat Point, then to 49 degrees 21.620 N 126 degrees 28.478 W seaward of Matlahaw Point, then to 49 degrees 22.113 N 126 degrees 33.508 W seaward of Estevan Point, then to 49 degrees 23.869 N 126 degrees 35.333 W seaward of Homais Cove, then to 49 degrees 27.766 N 126 degrees 35.971 W seaward of Split Cape, then to 49 degrees 31.494 N 126 degrees 35.669 W seaward of Escalante Point, then to 49 degrees 34.042 N 126 degrees 41.611 W seaward of Maquinna Point, then to 49 degrees 36.254 N 126 degrees 50.538 W seaward of Bajo Point, then to 49 degrees 39.892 N 126 degrees 55.125 W seaward of Skuna Bay, then to 49 degrees 44.400 N 127 degrees 00.289 W seaward of Ferrer Point, then to 49 degrees 50.767 N 127 degrees 10.151 W seaward of Tatchu Point, then to 49 degrees 59.142 N 127 degrees 28.125 W seaward of Lookout Island, then to 50 degrees 06.948 N 127 degrees 41.617 W seaward of Jakobson Point, then to 50 degrees 03.599 N 127 degrees 47.722 W seaward of Clerke Point, then to 50 degrees 05.868 N 127 degrees 57.906 W seaward of Solander Island, then to 50 degrees 19.284 N 128 degrees 00.130 W seaward of Lawn Point, and then to 50 degrees 31.501 N 128 degrees 14.238 W seaward of Topknot Point.

**6(1) Court Defined Fishing Area:** Those waters of Subareas 24-1 to 24-14, 25-1 to 25-13, 25-15, 25-16, 26-1, 124-1 to 124-4, 125-1 to 125-5, 126-1, 126-2, bounded by a line commencing at 49°55.428 N and 127°12.185 W (Porritt Creek), westerly to a point at 49°55.523 N and 127°15.338 W (Grassy Island), then southwesterly to a point at 49° 48.213 N and 127°25.125 W (within Subarea 126-2), then southeasterly to a point at 49°47.167 N and 127°23.161 W, then northeasterly to a point at 49°55.15N and 127°12.469 W (within Subarea 26-1), then southeasterly to a point at 49°54.425 N and 127°12.156 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°53.939 N and 127°11.837 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°53.394 N and 127°11.282 W (Tatchu Rocks), then southeasterly to a point at 49°52.781 N and 127° 0.964 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°51.458 N and 127°09.546 W (near Tatchu Point), then easterly to a point



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49°51.131 N and 127°08.198 W (within Subarea 25-13), then easterly to a point 49°51.073 N and 127°07.599 (High Rocks), then easterly to a point at 49°51.122 N and 127°07.027 W, then easterly to a point at 49°51.37 N and 127°05.634 W, then easterly to a point at 49°51.390 N and 127°04.510 W, then easterly to a point at 49°50.559 N and 126°59.95 W (Double Island), then easterly to a point at 49°50.553 N and 126°58.915 W, then easterly to a point at 49°51.417 N and 126°55.452 W, then easterly to a point at 49° 52.077 N and 126° 50.679 W, then northeasterly to a point at 49°53.496 N and 126°47.91 W (Subarea 25-9), then easterly to a point at 49°53.579 N and 126°47.333 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°53.425 N and 126°46.796 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°52.269 N and 126°45.407 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°51.957 N and 126°44.857 W, then easterly to a point at 49°51.871 N and 126° 44.458 W, then easterly to a point at 49°51.97 N and 126°43.609 W, then northeasterly to a point at 49°52.072 N and 126°43.497W,

### 6(2) Pilot Agreement Fishing Area - beyond 9NM

Those waters of Subareas 124-1 to 124-4, 125-5, and 125-6 bounded by a line commencing at 49°31.844 N and 127°01.427 W (Subarea 125-5), then southeasterly to a point at 49°21.283 N and 126°49.027 W (within Subarea 125-5), then southeasterly to a point at 49°18.344 and 126°45.585 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°16.641 N and 126°43.409 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°15.956 N and 126°42.386 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°15.250 N and 126°41.054 W (within Subarea 124-4), then southeasterly to a point at 49°12.233 N and 126°34.324 W (within Subarea 124-3), then southeasterly to a point at 49°00.323 N and 126°07.711 W (within Subarea 124-3), then southeasterly to a point at 48°54.451 N and 125°53.981 W (within Subarea 124-1), then southwesterly to 46°59.637 N and 128°21.378 W (EEZ within Subarea 124-1), then following the boundary of Fishing Zone 5, as described in Schedules III and IV from the Fishing Zones of Canada (Zones 4 and 5) Order to 47°05.199 N and 130°10.453 W (EEZ within Subarea 125-6), then northeasterly to the beginning point.

Those water of Subareas 125-6, 126-2, and 126-3 bounded by a line commencing at 49° 48.213 N and 127°25.125 W (within Subarea 126-2), then southeasterly to a point at 49°47.167 N and 127°23.161 W, then southwesterly to 47°15.067 N and 130°31.419 W (EEZ within Subarea 125-6), then following the boundary of Fishing Zone 5, as described in Schedules III and IV from the Fishing Zones of Canada (Zones 4 and 5) Order to 47°15.768 N and 130°33.240 W (EEZ within Subarea 125-6), then northeasterly to the beginning point.

then easterly to a point at 49°52.078 N and 126°43.221 W, then easterly to a point at 49°52.026 N and 126°42.917 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°51.775 N and 126°42.516 W, then easterly to a point at 49°51.644 N and 126°41.072 W, then easterly to a point at 49°51.637 N and 126°40.721 W then southeasterly to 49°51.512 N and 126°40.476 W, then southerly to a point at 49° 51.438 N and 126° 40.475 W, then southerly and westerly following along the shoreline of Nootka Island to a point at 49°39.562 N and 126°50.683 W (Calvin Creek), then southwesterly to a point at 49°31.844 N and 127°01.427 W(Subarea 125-5), then southeasterly to a point at 49°21.283 N and 126°49.027 W (within Subarea 125-5), then southeasterly to a point at 49°18.344 and 126°45.585 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°16.641 N and 126°43.409 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°15.956 N and 126°42.386 W, then southeasterly to a point at 49°15.250 N and 126°41.054 W (within Subarea 124-4), then southeasterly to a point at 49°12.233 N and 126°34.324 W (within Subarea 124-3), then southeasterly to a point at 49°00.323 N and 126°07.711 W (within Subarea 124-3), then southeasterly to a point at 48°54.451 N and 125°53.981 W (within Subarea 124-1), then northeasterly to a point at 49°02.307 N and 125°43.228 W (Seal Rocks within Subarea 124-3), then easterly to a point at 49°02.340 N and 125°41.631 W (Long Beach), then following the shoreline back to the point of commencement.

### 6(3) The following Rockfish Conservation Areas are closed to fishing:

i) Estevan Point - Those portions of Subareas 24-1, 124-3, 124-4, 125-1, 125-2 and 125-5 that lie inside of a line that



begins at 49°23.526'N 126°27.818'W north of Matlahaw Point then to 49°19.500'N 126°23.900'W in water then to 49°17.000'N 126°31.200'W in water then to 49°22.100'N 126°44.700'W in water then to 49°25.067'N 126°34.598'W Hesquiat Peninsula then following the southerly shore of Hesquiat Peninsula to the beginning point;

iii) West of Bajo Reef - Those portions of Subareas 125-2 and 125-3 that lie inside a line that begins at 49°37.900' N 127°01.111' W in water then to 49°37.900' N 126°52.600' W in water then to 49°33.500' N 126°52.600' W in water then to the beginning point.

#### **6(4) The following Chinook protection areas are closed to fishing:**

##### a) WCVI Chinook protection areas:

i) Outer Nootka Island - Those portions of the CDA in PFMA 125 that are shoreward of a line beginning at 49°44.965'N and 127°01.823'W (located approximately 1.9 nautical miles west of Ferrer Point), then southeasterly approximately 13 nautical miles to a point located at 49°37.900'N and 126°52.600'W, then southwesterly to a point at 49°33.500'N and 126°52.600'W, then to the Red Can Buoy located at 49°33.806'N and 126°49.976'W then to a point located approximately 2 nautical miles east at 49°34.125'N and 126°46.942'W, then to the Nootka Island shoreline at a point located near Beano Creek at 49°36.341'N and 126°45.141'W. The Bajo Reef RCA is located adjacent to this closed area

ii) Hesquiaht - That portion of Subareas 25-7, 125-1 and 125-2 inside a line beginning at a point on Vancouver Island at 49°33.445'N and 126°33.845'W (north of Escalante Point), then westerly to a point approximately 1 nautical mile offshore located at 49°33.445'N and 126°35.967'W, then southerly approximately 8.8 nautical miles to a point intersecting the Estevan Point RCA boundary located at 49°24.688'N and 126°35.593'W, then to a point on Vancouver Island (on Hesquiat Peninsula) at 49°25.067'N and 126°34.598'W

iii) That portion of Subarea 124-3 approximately 1 nm seaward of the surfline from Hesquiat Harbour southeast to Cleland Island (49° 10.130 N, 126° 05.411 W) to Ahaus Point (49° 09.982 N, 126° 01.331 W).

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#### **7. The type of fishing gear permitted to be used:**

(1) Hook and Line. Hook and Line includes rod and reel and handline. Downriggers and multiple rods are permitted. Longline gear is not permitted.

(2) Barbless hooks are required in order to improve survivals of released non-target or undersize salmon species and vessels equipped with commercial troll gear configurations must use plugs equipped with one single, barbless hook. Plug size shall be no smaller than 6 inches (15.2 cm) as measured from the tip of the nose to the tip of the tail of the plug (excluding the hook).

#### **8. Fishing Activity Reports (Hail Reports)**

(1) All vessel masters must file a Start Fishing Report (hail out into the fishery) prior to participating in each fishery opening by calling or texting 250-266-0418, or emailing [hail@haoom.ca](mailto:hail@haoom.ca) or completing the report online at <http://taaqa.ca>. The Start Fishing Report will include the following:

a) Vessel master's name and vessel name;



- b) Intended fishing start date;
  - c) Expected landing date; and
  - d) Area to be fished
  - e) Whether the vessel master will be fishing for salmon or groundfish. Note: this licence applies to salmon trips only.
- (2) The Ha'oom Fisheries Manager must provide all Start Fishing Reports in electronic form to DFO, on a daily basis.

## 9. Harvest reporting logs

(1) Each vessel master shall keep a complete Logbook that remains with the fishing vessel at all times for the duration of this fishery. Each vessel master shall complete a Logbook report prior to 08:00 h of the day following a day in which fishing occurred or a minimum of 2 hours prior to offload. The logbook shall contain the following information:

- a) Harvest log identification number and page number;
- b) Vessel master's name;
- c) Vessel name;
- d) Date fished;
- e) Area fished;
- f) Number of hours fished;
- g) Number of fish caught and retained by species or type as indicated in the harvest log;
- h) Number of fish caught and released by species or type as indicated in the harvest log;
- i) Number of fish caught used as bait by species or type as indicated in the harvest log; and
- j) Number of non-fish (.e.g. turtles, birds, and marine mammals) encountered by species or type.

(2) All vessel masters shall submit a hard copy of the logbook page(s) for that trip to the dockside observer at each landing. No Landing Slip will be issued by the dockside observer until the completed logbook page(s) has been provided. Data from the logbook pages will be provided by the Dockside Monitoring Company in electronic form to DFO at the end of each week during which fishing occurred. The Dockside Monitoring Company will provide a hardcopy of all pages in the logbook to DFO upon request.

(3) T'aaq-wiihaak designated fisher 660-809 shall submit a verbal report of the required Harvest logbook information in item 1 to the dockside observer at time of landing. The paper log book page will be completed at that time and submitted as described in item 2.

(4) Following the landing of Pacific Halibut, a completed copy of the log shall remain with the Dockside Observer, and be provided to the International Pacific Halibut Commission, upon request. If requested, logbook copies shall be sent to:

International Pacific Halibut Commission  
2320 West Commodore Way, Suite 300  
Seattle, WA, United States  
98199-1287



## 10. Dockside Validation

(1) All fish retained will be validated by dockside observers (with exception noted in 14 - Split Offloads). Vessel masters must permit dockside observers access to their catch at landing sites for the validation procedure. At the designated landing site, catch retained for FSC may remain on-board the vessel provided that the designated dockside observer is permitted access to the vessel in order to count and identify the species of fish retained.

(2) The dockside observer shall provide DFO with a Validation Report containing information as detailed in Section 12 - Landing slips. The Dockside Monitoring Company shall send Validation Reports to DFO on a weekly basis.

## 11. Landing slips

(1) All vessel masters must obtain a Landing Slip in order to retain or sell any fish caught in the fishery. The Landing Slips must be issued by a dockside observer and shall specify:

- a) the name and signature of the vessel master landing the fish;
- b) date and time of landing;
- c) location of landing site;
- d) the vessel master's T'aaq-wiihak Card number;
- e) vessel name and T'aaq-wiihak decal number;
- f) the Area of catch;
- g) gear used;
- h) number of fish landed for the intent of sale; and
- i) name and signature of dockside observer (holder of Landing Slip book).
- j) type of fishing trip that the fisher was hailed out for (groundfish or salmon)

(2) A vessel master must carry a Landing Slip when in possession of fish caught under authority of this licence, except when fishing or transporting fish to a Landing Site by water.

(3) The vessel master shall show Landing Slips to a fishery officer or fishery guardian upon request.

(4) Landing Slips issued by dockside observers will be forwarded to the Dockside Monitoring Company who will submit data in electronic form to DFO following each fishery opening. The Dockside Monitoring Company will provide a hard copy of all landing slips to DFO upon request.

## 12. Fish (Sales) slips

(1) All vessel masters must obtain a Fish (Sales) Slip when selling fish caught under authority of a licence. The Fish (Sales) Slip can be issued by the purchaser or, in the case of direct sales, the vessel master and shall specify:

- a) the name of the company, plant, packer, collector or individual purchasing fish;
- b) the vessel master's name and address;
- c) the number of a licence and the T'aaq-wiihak Card number;
- d) the Landing Slip number;



- e) the area of catch and landing site;
- f) days fishing;
- g) gear used;
- h) number and weight of fish (by species) sold;
- i) price per pound by species;
- j) total landed value of catch;
- k) payment (paid and payable in cash and otherwise); and
- l) other such information as may be required.

(2) If fish are landed and sold at the same location, a Landing Slip and Fish (Sales) Slip may be incorporated into one document by attaching a voided Landing Slip to a copy of the Fish (Sales) Slip.

(3) The vessel master must provide a copy of the Fish (Sales) Slip to a purchaser. Vessel masters shall submit Fish (Sales) Slips no later than seven days after offloading. Fish (Sales) Slips shall be mailed to DFO at:

Fisheries and Oceans Canada  
Regional Data Services Unit  
Suite 200-401 Burrard Street  
Vancouver BC V6C 3S4

### 13. Split Offloads:

Fish retained for FSC purposes may be offloaded before being validated at the designated landing site at a location other than the designated landing site if the Fishery Manager from the vessel master's First Nation monitors the landing and verifies the pieces and species of fish caught and retained. The vessel master's First Nation's Fishery Manager will generate an offload record for the vessel master when the vessel master offloads catch under the authority of this Licence. Where fish retained for FSC have been offloaded prior to arriving at the designated landing site, the vessel master shall provide the Ecotrust dockside observer a copy of the offload record provided by the vessel master's First Nation's Fishery Manager. This certified record will include the following information, in respect of the FSC Communal Fishing Licence:

A copy of the landed catch information by species and piece;

Vessel name;

Vessel master's name;

Vessel master's T'aaq-wiihak designation Card number; and

Vessel's T'aaq-wiihak decal number

### 14. Biological sampling requirements

(1) Vessel masters shall permit dockside observers access to catch for the purposes of sampling for coded-wire tag (CWT), DNA or other biological parameters as required at designated landing sites. Sampling protocols are to be developed with Ahousaht, Ehattesaht, Hesquiaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, and Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations and DFO in-season.



#### **15. Marine Mammal Reporting:**

(1) The vessel master shall report all marine mammal interactions during fishing trips in the Fishing Log. For the purpose of defining lethal and non-lethal marine mammal interactions, interactions include bycatch, collision, and all sightings of marine mammals entangled in fishing gear.

#### **16. Avoidance of entanglement of Basking Shark in fishing gear:**

(1) Pursuant to subsection 73(2)(c) and section 74 of the Species at Risk Act (SARA), this licence authorizes the vessel master, subject to the following conditions, to engage in fishing activities that:

(a) are conducted under licences issued under the Fisheries Act; and

(b) incidentally kill, harm, harass, capture or take Basking Shark (*Cetorhinus maximus*).

(2) Pursuant to subsections 73(2)(c) through 73(6) of SARA, the vessel master shall ensure:

(a) that while the fishing activities are conducted, every measure is taken to avoid the incidental capture of Basking Shark;

(b) that while the fishing activities are conducted, fishing gear is not set or hauled when Basking Sharks are within 10 m of the fishing vessel, and/or are visible at the water's surface; and

(c) that while the fishing activities are conducted, any Basking Shark incidentally caught and live, is released in a manner that causes them the least harm.

#### **17. Shark Finning Prohibition:**

(1) No person shall remove and retain the fins of any Spiny Dogfish or shark without retaining the remainder of the carcass for validation upon landing. The number of fins landed shall correspond to the number of carcasses landed.

#### **18. Vessel to Vessel Transfers:**

(1) Transferring of catch from one vessel to another is permitted provided that the vessel accepting the fish does not land more than the trip limit or vessel cap including the transferred amount and that vessel's own catch combined. (2) Transferring of catch from one vessel to another that results in a total landed catch that exceeds the trip limit or vessel cap must receive advance permission from the vessel master's First Nation's Fishery Manager for the transfer to be authorized. (3) The First Nation's Fishery Manager that authorizes such transfers must inform the Ha-oom Society Fisheries Manager and the dockside monitoring service provider.

#### **19. Reporting:**

(1) In-season reports (Excel spreadsheet is acceptable) providing the landing slip, logbook and Halibut tagging data shall be reported to the DFO Resource Manager weekly or prior to the next opening.



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