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SOUTHEAST ALASKA KING SALMON SPORT FISHING REGULATIONS FOR 2012

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game is announcing the 2012 sport fishing regulations for king (Chinook) salmon in Southeast Alaska and Yakutat which will be effective from 12:01 A.M. Friday, March 30, 2012 through 11:59 P.M. Tuesday, April 30, 2013. The regulations are:

Alaskan Resident

- The resident bag and possession limit is three king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.

Nonresident

- The nonresident bag and possession limit is one king salmon 28 inches or greater in length; except during May 2012 when the bag and possession limit is two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length;
- The nonresident annual limit is four king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.

From October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; all sport anglers may use two rods while fishing for king salmon.

The Southeast Alaska king salmon sport fishery is managed under the directives of the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 47.055). This plan prescribes management measures implemented by the department for the king salmon sport fishery based upon the preseason abundance index determined by the Chinook Technical Committee of the Pacific Salmon Commission. The preseason abundance index for the 2012 season is 1.52 which equates to 49,318 king salmon allocated to the sport fishery. The Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan prescribes that the regulations listed above be implemented when the king salmon abundance index is 1.51 to 1.75.

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