

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No.** 2-SS-1-55-24

**Issued at Soldotna:** Wednesday, August 21, 2024

**Effective Date:** 12:01 a.m. Saturday, August 24,  
2024

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. Saturday, November 30,  
2024, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order reduces the limit for coho salmon in the Kenai River to a bag and possession of one fish, effective Saturday, August 24 through Saturday, August 31, 2024; and a bag and possession of two coho salmon Sunday, September 1 through Saturday, November 30, 2024.

### REGULATION:

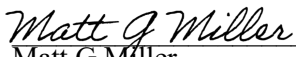
The provisions of 5 AAC 57.120(4)(A)(iii) and (iv) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective 12:01 a.m. Saturday, August 24 through Saturday, November 30, 2024.

### **5 AAC 57.120. General provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai River Drainage Area.**

- (4) salmon other than king salmon,
  - (A) 16 inches or greater in length, as follows:
    - (iii) except as provided in (iv) of this subparagraph, the bag and possession limit for sockeye, coho, and chum salmon in combination is three fish of which not more than one per day and in possession may be coho salmon; in addition the limit of pink salmon is six fish;
    - (iv) from September 1- November 30, in the flowing waters of the Kenai River, excluding the tributaries, the bag and possession limit for coho salmon is two fish per day;

Doug Vincent-Lang,  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

  
Matt G Miller  
Fish and Game Coordinator

### JUSTIFICATION:

Although assessment and reports of coho salmon throughout Cook Inlet indicate weak runs, abundance on the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers seem to be comparable to recent years and able to sustain some harvest. To manage conservatively and consistently with other Kenai Peninsula coho salmon fisheries it is warranted to reduce the bag and possession limit for coho salmon 16 inches or greater in length to one fish.

### DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 2 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.