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## **Advisory Announcement**

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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT FISHERY CLOSURE

The following areas will close by regulation at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 31, 2024:

Sections 3-B/C: Reported harvest: 10,900 pounds. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. Sections 3-B/C may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2024.

District 4: Reported harvest is confidential. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. District 4 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2024.

District 5: Reported harvest: confidential. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. District 5 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2024.

District 12-Remainder: Reported harvest: 1,500 pounds. The GHL is 7,500 pounds. District 12-Remainder will not open for a fall/winter fishery due to poor fishery performance.

District 15-Remainder: Reported harvest is confidential. The GHL is 7,500 pounds. District 15-Remainder may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2024.

All shrimp pot gear must be removed from the water or placed in storage by the time of the closure. Pots may be stored in the waters of Districts 4, 5, 12-Remainder, and Sections 3-B/C until 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 7, 2024. Stored pots must have all doors secured fully open and all bait and bait containers removed.

Shrimp tickets must be submitted to an ADF&G office within seven days of the closure. Fishermen are reminded that catcher–sellers intending to sell shrimp to persons unlicensed to process shrimp (i.e. dock sales) must fill out an ADF&G fish ticket indicating the weight of the shrimp on board, by species, before any shrimp are removed from the vessel [5 AAC 31.143.(d)].

Catcher–processor vessels fishing in these areas are required to contact ADF&G and report within 72 hours of the closure. Catcher–processor vessels must report the pounds in whole weight by species of shrimp on board the vessel taken during the open shrimp-fishing period.

The department will announce areas open for the fall/winter fishery no later than September 13, 2024. By September 13, the department will have had time to analyze all available harvest and biological data for areas with remaining quota. Areas that are determined to have less than desirable stock health or areas that have low remaining quota will not reopen for the fall/winter fishery.

2024/25 Southeast Alaska Shrimp Pot Fishery

Areas	2024/2025 GHL*	Pounds Harvested*	Boats	Closure Date	
District 1	50,000	39,400	15	31-May-24	
District 2	30,000	26,700	10	26-May-24	
Section 3-A	114,000	116,000	21	24-May-24	
Sections 3-B/C	20,000	10,900	5	31-Jul-24	
District 4	20,000	Confidential Confidential		31-Jul-24	
District 5	12,000	Confidential Confidential		31-Jul-24	
Sections 6-B/C/D	15,000	16,900	5	29-May-24	
District 7	74,300	65,600	16	26-May-24	
Sections 8-A/10-C	12,000	11,400	7	16-Jun-24	
Sections 8-B/6-A	15,000	15,100	9	29-May-24	
District 9	10,000	8,900	4	30-May-24	
Sections 10-A/B	35,000	35,000	7	23-May-24	
District 11-Seymour	7,500	Confidential	Confidential	22-May-24	
Sections 11-A/B/C	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
District 12-Tenakee	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
District 12-Remainder	7,500	1,500	3	31-Jul-24	
Sections 13-A/B	15,000	14,700	10	6-Jun-24	
Section 13-C	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
District 14	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
District 15 (East Side)	3,500	Confidential	Confidential	1-Jun-24	
District 15 (Remainder)	7,500	Confidential	Confidential 31-Jul-2		
District 16	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery	
Total Harvest	448,300	387,000	90		

<sup>\*</sup>GHL and harvest are pounds of whole shrimp. All GHLs and harvest are spot shrimp only except for District 16 and Sections 11-A/B/C which are spot and coonstripe shrimp, and District 15 which are coonstripe shrimp only.

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