

2025 Ketchikan Management Area



Subsistence and Personal Use Salmon Fishing Permit Conditions

In addition to the general permit conditions listed on and issued with the *2025 Southeast Alaska Subsistence and Personal Use Salmon Fishing Permit*, the following permit conditions apply to the Ketchikan management area. If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Fish and Game Ketchikan Office at (907) 225-5195.

1. **Chinook salmon may not be retained in the Unuk River, Naha River, and Yes Bay personal use fisheries.** Chinook salmon may be retained in the Herring Bay terminal harvest area (THA). For all other areas, Chinook, coho, steelhead, trout, and char may be taken only incidentally by gear operated under the personal use fishing guidelines of this permit. The possession limit for Chinook salmon is 2 fish and for coho salmon is 6 fish.
2. In subsistence fishing areas, Chinook salmon, trout, and char may be taken only incidentally by gear operated under the subsistence fishing guidelines of this permit. The possession limit for Chinook salmon is 2 fish.
3. Sockeye salmon may not be retained as incidental catch.
4. In the Ketchikan management area, drift gillnets may only be used in Yes Bay, and in the Nakat Inlet, Neets Bay, Kendrick Bay, and Herring Bay THAs. Drift gillnets may not exceed 50 fathoms in length, except for in the Herring Bay THA where drift gillnets may not exceed 10 fathoms in length. There are no mesh restrictions. The permit holder must be present while the gillnet is in operation.
5. In subsistence fishing areas, the personal use fishery is closed to the taking of salmon when the subsistence salmon fishery is closed.
6. The Klawock River drainage upstream of the Klawock River Bridge is **CLOSED**. From January 1 to August 31, subsistence and personal use salmon gear may only be operated from a vessel with a motor of no greater than 50 horsepower.
7. Leask Creek, Mahoney Lake and Creek, Helm Bay Creek, and the marine waters within 500 yards of the terminus of these streams are **CLOSED**.

PERSONAL USE SALMON FISHING LIMITS AND SEASONS

Salmon Species	Limits		Season Open Dates	Location
	Possession	Annual		
Sockeye	20	20	July 1–Aug 30	McDonald Lake (Yes Bay)
Sockeye	12	50	June 1–July 31	Kegan Lake, Thorne River
Sockeye	10	20	June 1–July 31	All other streams and marine waters within 500 yards of the terminus of streams in the Ketchikan management area except streams on the Ketchikan road system.
Sockeye	6	18	June 1–June 30	Hatchery Creek open weekly Thursday–Sunday.
Chinook	50	No Limit	July 1–Aug 30	Herring Bay THA only
Pink	150	No Limit	July 15–Sept 30	All streams and marine waters within 500 yards of the terminus of streams in the Ketchikan management area except streams on the Ketchikan road system.
Chum	25	No Limit	July 1–Oct 31	



SUBSISTENCE SALMON FISHING LIMITS AND SEASONS

Salmon Species	Limits		Season Open Dates	Location
	Possession	Annual		
Sockeye	20	No Limit	July 7–Aug 7 (8 am Mon to 5 pm Fri)	Klawock Inlet and River
Sockeye	20	No Limit	June 1–Aug 31	Eek Lake, Hetta Lake, and Hetta Inlet
Sockeye	12	No Limit	June 22–July 31	Hugh Smith Lake and Sockeye Creek
Sockeye	12	No Limit	June 22–July 31	Naha River (Open east of 131°37.03' W long)
Sockeye	20	No Limit	June 1–July 31	Karta River and Kasaan Bay
Sockeye	20	No Limit	June 1–July 31	Klakas Inlet and Klakas Lake
Sockeye	20	40	June 1–July 31	Sarkar (Deweyville)
Sockeye	10	20	June 1–July 31	All other streams within the Ketchikan subsistence areas.
Pink	150	No Limit	July 1–Sept 30	All streams within the Ketchikan subsistence areas.
Chum	25	No Limit	July 1–Oct 31	
Coho	20	40*	August 15–Oct 31	

*A household total limit of 40 coho salmon for the entire season from any combination of streams.