

in order to help sustain it at an adequate level in the northern Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Area 2A: 8:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m., local time, August 1, 1995; Oregon sport fishery: 8:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m., local time, August 3, 1995 and August 4, 1995.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The IPHC, under the Convention between the United States of America and Canada for the Preservation of the Halibut Fishery of the Northern Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea (signed at Ottawa, Ontario, on March 2, 1953), as amended by a Protocol Amending the Convention (signed at Washington, DC, on March 29, 1979), has issued these inseason actions pursuant to IPHC regulations governing the Pacific halibut fishery. The regulations have been approved by NMFS (60 FR 14651, March 20, 1995). On behalf of the IPHC, these inseason actions are published in the **Federal Register** to provide additional notice of their effectiveness, and to inform persons subject to the inseason actions of the restrictions and requirements established therein.

Inseason Actions

1995 Halibut Landing Report Number 11

Area 2A Non-treaty Commercial Fishery to Reopen

The July 18 fishing period in Area 2A resulted in a catch of 35,000 lb (15.87 metric tons (mt)), leaving approximately 50,000 lb (22.67 mt) yet to be caught from the catch limit.

Area 2A will reopen on August 1 for 10 hours from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. local time. The fishery is restricted to waters that are south of Point Chehalis, WA (46°53'18" N. lat.) under regulations promulgated by NMFS. Fishing period limits as indicated in the following table will be in effect for this opening.

Vessel class		Fishing period limit (lb)	
Length	Letter	Dressed, head-on	Dressed, head-off ¹
0-25	A	225	200
26-30 ..	B	240	210
31-35 ..	C	380	335
36-40 ..	D	1,050	925
41-45 ..	E	1,130	995
46-50 ..	F	1,350	1,190
51-55 ..	G	1,510	1,330
56+	H	2,275	2,000

¹Weights are after 2 percent has been deducted for ice and slime if fish are not washed prior to weighing.

The appropriate vessel length class and letter is printed on each halibut license.

The fishing period limit is shown in terms of dressed, head-off weight as well as dressed, head-on weight, although fishermen are reminded that regulations require that all halibut from Area 2A be landed with the head on.

The fishing period limit applies to the vessel, not the individual fisherman, and any landings over the vessel limit will be subject to forfeiture and fine.

Oregon Sport Fishery Reopens for Two Days

The Oregon sport fishery from Cape Falcon to the California border will open for 2 days, Thursday, August 3 and Friday, August 4, 1995, rather than for 3 days as indicated in the halibut regulations. Approximately 15,500 lb (7.03 mt) remain for harvest, not enough to assure that harvest from 3 days of fishing will remain under the catch limit. The daily bag limit will be two fish per person, one with a 32-inch (12.59 centimeters (cm)) minimum size limit, and one with a 50-inch (19.68 cm) minimum size limit. If sufficient catch limit remains after August 4, an additional opening may be announced by the IPHC.

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