SPORT FISHING FROM A REGISTERED TROLL VESSEL

- 1. A person may sport fish from a registered commercial salmon hand troll or power troll vessel [5 AAC 47.041 (a)], though may not sport fish and commercial fish for salmon from the same vessel on the same day [5 AAC 47.041 (f)]. Sport-caught fish may not be sold.
- 2. A person who sport fishes from a vessel licensed for commercial salmon fishing, other than a charter vessel when paying clients are onboard, shall immediately upon bringing a salmon on board, mark that harvested salmon by removing its dorsal fin [5 AAC 47.041 (c)].
- 3. Sport fishing from a commercially licensed vessel, while commercially caught salmon are in possession, is illegal in waters closed to commercial salmon fishing [5AAC 47.041(d)].
- 4. A registered troll vessel may also be registered as a charter vessel, though that vessel may not be used to commercial fish and charter on the same day [5 AAC 75.995 (8)].
- 5. A downrigger may be used in conjunction with a fishing rod when sport fishing. However, a downrigger may not be used in conjunction with a fishing rod to take salmon when engaged in commercial hand trolling [5 AAC 29.120 (b)(2)(B)] except as permitted in 5 AAC 29.120 (j) during the winter season only.

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