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Public Notice

Nisga'a Marine Individual Sale Fishery

16 hour opening Thursday, June 19th 6:00 to 22:00 And

16 hour opening Friday, June 20th 6:00 to 22:00

Participants are required to possess a valid Nisga'a Fisheries Licence and IS Permit Plus Transport Canada Certification. All vessels must be Nisga'a owned.

The boundary for all marine IS openings is the DFO Salmon management Area 3-12 in front of Gingolx

Sockeye will be the target species for this fishery. Fish will be refused if it does not meet the quality standards established in Nisga'a Fisheries Regulations 2002. Fish will be purchased only if:

Bled immediately after removal from net, and Placed immediately in slush after bleeding

Participants are required to deliver catch after every opening for quality standards

Any Chum, Chinook, or Steelhead caught should be released if healthy or otherwise taken as food.

Nisga'a Fisheries management has instructed DFO Enforcement to not permit vessels on the fishing grounds that:

- are less than 24 feet in length
- do not have PFD's for each person on board,
- have no operational VHF marine radio

Any vessels not meeting one of these requirements will be sent to shore or towed to shore to remedy the lack of any of these essential safety or regulatory requirements before being allowed to continue participating in any marine IS fishery.

As a reminder, the limit for Sockeye is increased to 800 per permit

Permit Sales: As of June 3, 2014, can be purchased at Nisga'a Fisheries office during regular business hours (9:00 am to 5:00 pm) Monday to Saturday and at the Nisga'a Hall in Prince Rupert during their regular business hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm), from Monday to Friday. Or call Nisga'a Fisheries Program toll free number, 1-866-633-2145 for more information.