IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA3

# **IPHC Fishery Regulations: minor amendments**

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## **Purpose**

To improve clarity and consistency in the IPHC Fishery Regulations.

### **BACKGROUND**

This proposal would make minor amendments to the IPHC Regulations. These revisions to the regulations may include:

- Updating and clarifying existing fishery regulations;
- Reordering regulations for clarity and emphasis.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Periodically, regulations should be reviewed to ensure they are clear, concise, consistent, and current. These proposed revisions to the IPHC Fishery Regulations are a result of a holistic review. The revisions resulting from this review are described below in detail:

- Updating and clarifying fishery regulations
  - Section 22, Supervision of Unloading and Weighing, would be expanded to include access for sampling or inspecting by an authorized representative of the Commission.
- Reordering fishery regulations for clarity and emphasis
  - 1. No reordering is necessary at this time.

**Benefits/Drawbacks**: The benefit is clearer and more consistent regulations that are easier to use. No known drawback.

**Sectors Affected:** This proposal affects all sectors of the Pacific halibut fishery.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Commission:

- NOTE regulatory proposal IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA3, which recommends changes to improve the clarity and transparency of the IPHC Fishery Regulations.
- 2) **ADOPT** the recommended changes to the IPHC Fishery Regulations as provided in Appendix A.

# ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION / REFERENCES

None

# **APPENDICES:**

**APPENDIX A:** Suggest IPHC Fishery Regulation language

# APPENDIX A SUGGESTED REGULATORY LANGUAGE

1. Section 22, Supervision of Unloading and Weighing, would be expanded to include an authorized representative of the Commission for sampling or inspecting.

# 22. Supervision of Unloading and Weighing

- (1) The unloading and weighing of Pacific halibut may be subject to the supervision of authorized officers to assure the fulfillment of the provisions of these Regulations.
- (2) The unloading and weighing of Pacific halibut may be subject to inspection and sampling by an authorized representative of the Commission.