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IPHC ANNOUNCES PROPOSAL DEADLINES FOR 2001 FISHERY

As initiated with the 2000 IPHC Annual Meeting, the IPHC requests that formal proposals be submitted when requesting a change in IPHC regulations, procedures, or regarding catch limits. Proposal forms are available through the IPHC office or on the website at http://www.iphc.washington.edu. Please use the following guidelines when submitting to the IPHC. **Please note that there are separate deadlines and forms for each type of proposal.** Any proposals received after the deadline may not be considered at the 2001 Annual Meeting.

Proposal guidelines for submissions the 2001 IPHC Annual Meeting:

- 1. **Proposals that pertain to IPHC regulations or procedures:** The IPHC has a deadline of **October 31, 2000**. The early deadline is necessary to allow for public response to all proposals received. Items received after the deadline may not be considered and could be tabled until the following year.
- 2. Proposals regarding IPHC stock assessment and/or staff recommended catch limits: The IPHC Staff recommended catch levels and stock assessment will be available to the public in late fall. Proposals for the upcoming year should be submitted by **December 29, 2000**. Timely submissions will be forwarded to IPHC Commissioners for inclusion in discussions.
- 3. Questions or proposals regarding individual quotas or other allocation issues (such as sport vs. commercial) *should not be sent to the IPHC*. These are issues internal to each respective country and items of this nature should be directed to the appropriate agency within each government. Any items of this nature that are received at the IPHC offices will be forwarded to the appropriate agency.

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