

ODFW sets summer upriver salmon, steelhead seasons

Oregon and Washington fishery managers have announced the 2017 summer and fall salmon and steelhead seasons for the Columbia River.

The summer season is similar to last year, except that the daily bag limit on hatchery steelhead has been reduced to one fish due to poor expected hatchery and wild steelhead returns. The season begins this Friday, June 16, with a daily bag limit of two adult salmonids, which may include up to two hatchery Chinook, but no more than one hatchery steelhead.

Sockeye may also be retained as part of the adult daily limit.

The season is expected to remain open through July 31.

Fishery managers are forecasting a return of 63,100 summer Chinook and 130,700 summer steelhead, and 198,500 sockeye salmon, all lower than last year's actual returns.

The fall season, which begins Aug. 1, includes the popular Buoy 10 fishery near Astoria and the fall "upriver bright" Chinook season in the mainstem Columbia. Upriver bright Chinook are well known for their larger size and aggressive nature.

Fishery managers forecast that 582,600 fall Chinook will enter the river this year, which is down from about 640,000 returning fall Chinook in 2016.

Due to the low projected returns for upriver summer steelhead, additional protective regulations are needed this fall including area-specific steelhead retention closures. The rolling 1-2 month closures start in August and progress upriver following the steelhead return to reduce take of both hatchery and wild fish. These closures affect the mainstem Columbia and the lower reaches of specific tributaries.

When retention is allowed, the 1-steelhead bag limit will also remain in effect throughout much of the fall.

Anglers are reminded that

Columbia River fisheries are managed to quotas and that regulation changes and in-season modifications can happen quickly, based on actual returns and harvest rates. ODFW recommends that anglers make sure they understand the latest season dates and regulations before venturing out on the water by checking the Columbia River Regulations Update Page www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/fishing/reg_changes/columbia.asp online.

Here are the detailed regulations for the 2017 Columbia River summer and fall salmon and steelhead seasons:

—2017 Summer Season (June 16-July 31) Megler-Astoria Bridge to OR/ WA border:

- Retention of sockeye and adult (24-inches or longer) hatchery Chinook allowed.

- Retention of hatchery Chinook jacks (between 12 and 24-inches long) and hatchery steelhead allowed.

- All sockeye are considered adults in the daily limit and must be recorded as adults on the combined angling tag.

- The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids, of which no more than one may be a steelhead, and five jacks.

- Night closure in effect except for anglers enrolled in the Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program.

- All other permanent rules apply.

—2017 Fall Seasons (Aug. 1-Dec. 31) Buoy 10:

- Area definition is from the Buoy 10 line upstream to a line projected from Rocky Point on the Washington shore through red buoy #44 to red marker #2 at Tongue Point on the Oregon shore.

- Aug. 1–Dec. 31: Retention of hatchery Coho (16-inches or longer) and hatchery steelhead allowed except all steelhead must be released Aug. 1-31.

Daily bag limits by time period are described below. Night angling closure in effect except for anglers enrolled in the Pikeminnow Sport-Reward

Program. All other permanent rules apply.

- Aug. 1–Aug. 31: Retention of any adult Chinook (24-inches or longer) is allowed. The daily bag limit is two salmonids, and may include up to one Chinook. All steelhead (hatchery and wild) must be released.

- Sept. 1–Sept. 4: Retention of any adult Chinook (24-inches or longer) is allowed. The daily bag limit is two salmonids, and may include up to one Chinook and one hatchery steelhead.

- Sept. 5–30: Retention of all Chinook is prohibited. The daily bag limit is two hatchery salmonids (Coho/steelhead only) and may include up to one hatchery steelhead.

- Oct. 1–Dec. 31: Retention of any Chinook is allowed. The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids and may include up to one hatchery steelhead.

- Chinook jacks (12-24 inches; hatchery or not) and hatchery Coho jacks may only be retained Oct. 1–Dec. 31 under permanent rules. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

- Lower Columbia – Tongue Point/Rocky Point upstream to Warrior Rock/Bachelor Island

Area definition is from a line projected from Rocky Point on the Washington shore through red buoy #44 to the red marker #2 at Tongue Point on the Oregon shore upstream to a line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore through red buoy #4 to a marker on the lower end of Bachelor Island.

- Aug. 1–Dec. 31: Retention of hatchery Coho and hatchery steelhead allowed except all steelhead must be released Aug. 1-31.

Daily bag limits by time period are described below. Each legal angler aboard a vessel may continue to deploy angling gear until the daily adult salmonid bag limit for all anglers aboard has been achieved.

Night angling closure in

effect except for anglers enrolled in the Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program. All other permanent rules apply.

- Aug. 1–Aug. 31: Retention of any Chinook is allowed. The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids, and may include up to one Chinook. All steelhead (hatchery and wild) must be released. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

- Sept. 1–Sept. 7: Retention of any Chinook is allowed. The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids, and may include up to one Chinook and one hatchery steelhead. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

- Sept. 8–14: Retention of Chinook is restricted to hatchery fish only. Retained hatchery Chinook must have a clipped adipose fin or a clipped left ventral fin. Either clip must have a healed scar at the location of the clipped fin. The daily adult bag limit is two salmonids, and may include up to one hatchery Chinook and one hatchery steelhead. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

- Sept. 15–30: Retention of all Chinook is prohibited. The daily bag limit is two adult hatchery salmonids (Coho/steelhead only) and may include up to one hatchery steelhead. The daily bag limit for Coho jacks in Oregon is five fish.

- Oct. 1–Dec. 31: Retention of any Chinook is allowed. The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids, and may include up to one hatchery steelhead. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

- Lower Columbia – Warrior Rock/Bachelor Isl. upstream to Bonneville Dam:

Area definition is from a line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore through red buoy #4 to a marker on the lower end of Bachelor Island upstream to Bonneville Dam.

- Aug. 1–Aug. 31: Retention of any Chinook and hatchery

Coho allowed. The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids. All steelhead (hatchery and wild) must be released. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

Each legal angler aboard a vessel may continue to deploy angling gear until the daily adult salmonid bag limit for all anglers aboard has been achieved.

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- Sept. 1–Dec. 31: Retention of any Chinook, hatchery Coho, and hatchery steelhead allowed. The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids, and may include up to one hatchery steelhead. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

Each legal angler aboard a vessel may continue to deploy angling gear until the daily adult salmonid bag limit for all anglers aboard has been achieved.

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Bonneville Dam upstream to McNary Dam:

- Aug. 1–Dec. 31: Retention of any Chinook, Coho and hatchery steelhead allowed.

The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids, and may include up to one hatchery steelhead except:

- 1) Release all steelhead (hatchery and wild) from Bonneville Dam upstream to The Dalles Dam Aug. 1–31.
- 2) Release all steelhead

(hatchery and wild) from The Dalles Dam upstream to John Day Dam Sept. 1-30.

3) Release all steelhead (hatchery and wild) from John Day Dam upstream to McNary Dam Sept. 1-Oct. 31.

- The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish. All Coho (adults and jacks) retained downstream of the Hood River Bridge must be hatchery-origin.

Each legal angler aboard a vessel may continue to deploy angling gear until the daily adult salmonid bag limit for all anglers aboard has been achieved.

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McNary Dam upstream to the OR/WA border:

- Aug. 1–Dec. 31: Retention of any Chinook, Coho, and hatchery steelhead allowed.

The daily bag limit is two adult salmonids, and may include up to one hatchery steelhead except release all steelhead (hatchery and wild) Oct. 1-Nov. 30. The daily bag limit for jack salmon in Oregon is five fish.

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OPRD overnight camping for novices this weekend

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) welcomes beginning campers to join in an overnight guided camping experience this summer at an Oregon state park.

Registrations are now being accepted for the "Let's Go Camping Program."

For \$30 per family, OPRD provides tents, sleeping bags and other gear.

Volunteers will help campers set up tents, build campfires, prepare meals in the campsite and more.

Register by calling 800-551-6949. Most events are limited to 35 people and spots are fill-

ing quickly:

- June 16-18: L.L.Stub Stewart Park
- June 30-July 2: Deschutes River
- July 7-9: Cascadia
- July 14-16: Willamette Mission
- July 21-23: Silver Falls
- July 21-23: Prineville

Reservoir

- July 28-30: Ainsworth

Surfing from 1C

beginner division with lessons and the parent with child division to the more competitive 13-15 and 16-18 year old divisions (both boys and girls), there is something here for all water and beach lovers.

Otter Rock n Roll began nine years ago in celebration of International Surfing Day, which is officially observed on June 20 uniting surfers from around the world to celebrate the sport of surfing and give back to our ocean, waves and beaches through stewardship activities.

"This is a great opportunity to engage in ocean stewardship, physical activity and family friendly competition. No surf experience is required — just a desire to enjoy the sport of surfing" said Vince Pappalardo of the Surfrider Newport Chapter and organizer of the event.

Sponsors include: Russo Surfboards, Murdy Surfboards, Pura Vida Surf Shop, Eon Graphic Design, Warm Currents, Ocean Pulse, Ossie's Surf Shop, Moment Surf Company, Gorge Performance Surf Shop, Safari Town Surf Shop, Lincoln City Surf Shop, Xcel, Sanuk, Reef, Cascade Coast Solar, Figaro's Pizza,

Chowder Surf Co., Inn At Otter Crest, Bike Newport and Dutch Brothers.

Pre-registration is \$25 online

at otterrockandroll.com by June 14. Beach Registration on the day of the event is \$35, and closes at 8 a.m.

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Hello, my name is Rory! I am a very active young girl who loves to go out to the yard and have lots of fun either tugging or fetching. I also like to go for walks. I need someone to teach me my leash manners, I am still very young and have not yet been taught the basics a dog should be taught. I do have a dog friend. It can be difficult for other dogs to accept me, because my energy level can sometimes be overwhelming when meeting new dogs. I really need someone who is going to work with me on becoming the best dog I can be, and who will be my best friend forever!

Any approved adopters that already have a dog in the home must bring their dog in for a quick meet and greet to make sure they will be a good match.



If you would like to meet Rory or any of her friends, please visit us at:

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Friday 6/9	Brenda McDaniel Ron Carruthers	Westlake Florence	Safeway/Florence Davison Auto Parts/ Napa/Florence
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