**§6554. Pacific salmon; method of taking; limits**

**1. Minimum length.**  A person may not take or possess Pacific salmon which are less than 14 inches in length.

[PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. B, §7 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. D, §§1,2 (AFF).]

**2. Method of taking.**  A person may not fish for or take Pacific salmon from the coastal waters by any means other than hook and line with a single hook.

[PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. B, §7 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. D, §§1,2 (AFF).]

**3. Limits.**  A person may not take more than 2 Pacific salmon in any one day.

[PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. B, §7 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. D, §§1,2 (AFF).]

**4. Exception for aquaculture.**  A person lawfully engaged in the aquaculture of Pacific salmon is exempt from this section if that person holds a special license, if required, under section 6074.

[PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. B, §7 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. D, §§1,2 (AFF).]

**5. Recommendations; commissioner.**  Nothing in this chapter may prohibit the commissioner from recommending to the Legislature changes in the limit on Pacific salmon that may be taken by hook and line with a single hook.

[PL 1983, c. 662, §5 (NEW).]

**6. Penalty.**  A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not less than $100 and not more than $500 may be adjudged.

[PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. B, §7 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. D, §§1,2 (AFF).]

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