



HOH INDIAN TRIBE

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Hoh Tribe 2023-24 Dungeness Crab Commercial Fishing Regulation

- Fishery:** Commercial Dungeness Crab
- Season:** December 11, 2023 through September 15, 2024 unless closed earlier by regulation.
- Management Area:** The area open for fishing to authorized members of the Hoh Tribe shall be within Hoh's U&A.
Quileute River (47 deg. 54' 18" N. latitude)
Quinault River (47 deg. 21'00" N. latitude)
- Gear Identification:** All gear must be marked with a buoy visible on the surface except during strong tidal flow or extreme weather conditions, marked with the owner or operator of the fishing gear identification number preceded by the number 07.
- Gear Registration:** Before participating in the 2023-24 Dungeness crab fishery, it is the responsibility of Hoh Fishers to register buoy colors, buoy identification number and amount of crab pots being fished with the Hoh Natural Resources Department.
- Regulations:** Pot gear must have at least two circular escape rings located on the upper half of the pot, each measuring at least 4 ¼ inches in inside diameter. Pot gear must have "rot away" cord such that entrapped crab can escape from lost or abandoned pots.
- No Pot or Bag Limit
- Harvest Restrictions:** 6 ¼ inches minimum size (caliper measure across the back, in front of the tips) male Dungeness crab

Harvest of females and softshell Dungeness crabs prohibited

- CATCH REPORTING:** All catch data and fish catch tickets shall be provided to the Hoh Tribal Fisheries Management Biologist within 24 hours of Landing. All catch must have been reported prior to subsequent departure. Due to potential health concerns with biotoxins it is required to **report catch areas** on all fish landing tickets.

Signed,

Chair, Hoh Tribal Business Committee