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HOH TRIBE FISHING REGULATIONS 2026 Spring/Summer Fishing Season

Hoh Tribal Fishing Regulation: **26-04-15**

Date: April 15, 2026

Supersedes Regulation: 25-04-02

REGULATORY/FISHERY PURPOSE: SETS SUMMER COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY FOR WEEK 19, 2026 THROUGH WEEK 35, 2026. **7.5 inch** minimum stretch size May 05 through August 31 (weeks 19 through 35)

TARGET FISH SPECIES: Chinook Salmon

EXPECTED FISHERMEN IN FISHERY: 010

HOH RIVER U & A ADJACENT TO RESERVATION:

AREA: From mouth of Hoh River to the Tribal Reservation Eastern boundary location, approximately one mile upstream.

SEASON: May 04, 2026 to August 30, 2026

PERIOD COVERED

IN THIS REG: The weeks of May 04, 2026 through August 30, 2026

DAYS OF WEEK: The fishery will open and close, according to the attached schedule "2026 Hoh Tribe Spring/Summer Fishing Schedule" unless rescheduled by regulation addendum because of unsafe river conditions or other environmental conditions for the 2026 Spring/Summer season.

TIME OF DAY: Opening and closing times are 10:00 AM opening day to 10:00 AM closing day, except as may be rescheduled by subsequent regulation addendum.

LEGAL GEAR & GEAR RESTRICTIONS: The gillnet gear allotment is limited to two set-nets or one set-net and one drift-net per fisherman in the Hoh River in all open fishing area (Each fisherman may only use one (1) set-net in the area adjacent to the reservation and one (1) set-net upriver (above) of the reservation; or use two (2) set-nets in the area above the reservation and no (0) set-nets in the area adjacent to the reservation). Unattended gear must be marked with the owner or operator of the fishing gear identification number.

MESH SIZE: **7.5 inch** minimum stretch size May 04 through August 30 (weeks 19 through 35)

REPORTING CATCH: Catch shall be reported according to provisions of the General Fishing Ordinance No. 78-09-01. The Hoh Tribe considers its ability to sample the harvest an essential element of catch reporting. Therefore, under that provision, tribal fishermen shall make their catch of fish available for catch sampling prior to its delivery to off-reservation buyers. Sampling shall be accomplished by fish sampler(s) designated by the Hoh Tribe or the Hoh Tribe's Fisheries Management Biologist.

HOH RIVER U & A ABOVE THE RESERVATION UP TO THE HWY 101 BRIDGE:

AREA: From the Tribal Reservation eastern boundary location, located approximately one mile upstream to the highway 101 bridge. All other Hoh River off-reservation sections and tributaries are closed to fishing.

SEASON: SAME AS "ADJACENT TO RESERVATION" SECTION.

PERIOD COVERED

BY THIS REG.: SAME AS "ADJACENT TO RESERVATION" SECTION.

DAYS OF WEEK OPEN: SAME AS "ADJACENT TO RESERVATION" SECTION.

TIME OF DAY: SAME AS "ADJACENT TO RESERVATION" SECTION.

LEGAL GEAR & GEAR RESTRICTIONS: SAME AS "ADJACENT TO RESERVATION" SECTION.

MESH SIZE: SAME AS "ADJACENT TO RESERVATION" SECTION

**TRIBUTARIES AND HOH RIVER ABOVE 101 BRIDGE:
CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL AND GILL-NET FISHING**

AREA: Tributaries, Hoh River above 101 bridge extending to the divides; with the Elwha River on the east, the Queets/Clearwater Rivers to the south and the Quileute River to the north.

SEASON: Open only to hook and line personal-use fishing.

COMMENTS: All gear left unattended on fishing grounds during closed fishing time, or illegal gear observed on fishing grounds at any time shall be recovered by enforcement. Return of such gear shall be subject to determination of legal ownership and that such gear was not involved in illegal fishing activities. Return of such gear would occur after closure of the next scheduled week's fishery, appropriate for that gear's use. All other provisions of the General Fishing Ordinance No 78-09-01 not covered or altered by these regulations shall remain in effect under this regulation.

Signed,

Darcene Hollem

Hoh Tribal Council
Reg. No. 26-04-15

2026 Hoh Tribe Spring/Summer Fishing Schedule

Week #	Week of	Days Open	MESH SIZE	Opening Date	Closing Date
19	May 04	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. May 04	Wed. May 06
20	May 11	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. May 11	Wed. May 13
21	May 18	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. May 18	Wed. May 20
22	May 25	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. May 25	Wed. May 27
23	June 01	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. June 01	Wed. June 03
24	June 08	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. June 08	Wed. June 10
25	June 15	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. June 15	Wed. June 17
26	June 22	2	<u>7.5 IN. MIN</u>	Mon. June 22	Wed. June 24
27	June 29	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
28	July 06	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
29	July 13	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
30	July 20	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
31	July 27	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
32	August 03	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
33	August 10	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
34	August 17	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			
35	August 24	HOH RIVER CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL FISHING			

The Fall Commercial Salmon Season will open on Monday, August 31 (week 36) with a new regulation

OPENING AND CLOSING TIMES ARE 10:00 A.M.