



Fish News

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Reminder: BOF April 10th Proposal Deadline is Just Around the Corner

The Alaska Board of Fisheries **Proposal Deadline is 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2012.** Any advisory committees or individuals wishing to submit proposals can still do so by that date. Proposals can be submitted online, by fax or by mail.

The Alaska Board of Fisheries is accepting proposed changes to the subsistence, commercial, personal use, sport, guided sport and guided sport ecotourism finfish regulations for the Bristol Bay, Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim and Alaska Peninsula/Aleutians Islands management areas. Finfish includes: salmon, herring, trout, groundfish, char, burbot, northern pike, whitefish, Pacific cod, sablefish, shark, pollock, etc., but does not include halibut.

Examples of “statewide finfish” regulations can be found in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code and include, but are not limited to, policy for the management of sustainable salmon fisheries, policy for the management of mixed stock fisheries, policy for statewide salmon escapement goals, possession of sport-caught fish, fishing by proxy, etc.

Proposals may be submitted:

Online: <http://boardoffisheries.adfg.alaska.gov/>

Fax: (907) 465-6094

Mail: ADF&G, Boards Support Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526.

A postmark is not sufficient for timely receipt. Please use the Board of Fisheries proposal form, available from any office of the Boards Support Section or from the following website:

<http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us/fishinfo/index.php>. Proposals must contain a contact telephone number and address. Please print or type the individual's name or organization's name as appropriate. A fax is acceptable and considered an original. Currently, the Board is unable to accept submission of proposals via email. The Board is working with its information technology section and hopes to be able to offer this option soon.

All proposals are reviewed by the board's proposal review committee prior to publication. Language that is emotionally charged detracts from the substance of the proposal. It may draw opposition that may not be germane to the element(s) of the proposal and may elicit non-responsive charges from the public/board members. The proposal review committee reserves the right to edit proposals containing offensive language. Proposals published in the proposal book will be referenced with the appropriate Alaska Administrative Code citation and include a brief description of the action requested. Following publication, proposal booklets will be available to advisory committees and the public for review and comment.

Proposals received per the above "Call for Proposals" deadline will be considered by the Board of Fisheries during the October 2012 through March 2013 meeting schedule.

For more information, please contact the Alaska Board of Fisheries Executive Director at (907) 465-4110.

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