

**NISQUALLY INDIAN TRIBE
SEA CUCUMBER EMERGENCY REGULATION
#2025/2026 11**

The Nisqually Indian Tribe promulgates the following regulation. This fishery shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Federal District Court Order CV 9213, Sub-proceeding No. 89-3.

DATE ADOPTED: September 17, 2025

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 19, 2025- February 28, 2026

SUPERCEDES: **#2025/2026-07**

SPECIES Sea cucumber (*Parastichopus californicus*)

FISHERY TYPE: Commercial

CATCH AREA(S) 28B, and the portion of 28A South and East of the line drawn from Johnson Point to Devils Head.

Closed areas:

Hale Passage: All waters of Hale Passage and Wollochet Bay within the following lines: west of a line projected true south from the shoreline near Point Fosdick at 122° 35 minutes west longitude to 47° 14 minutes north latitude, and thence projected true west to the shoreline of Fox Island, and east of a line projected true south from the shoreline near Green Point at 122° 41 minutes west longitude to 47° 16.5 minutes north latitude, and thence projected true east to the shoreline of Fox Island.

ON/OFF RESERVATION: Off

DAYS/HOURS: Open 7 days a week from Sunrise or 8am, whichever is later, to sunset or 5pm, whichever is earlier.

LEGAL GEAR: Hand harvest using SCUBA or Surface supplied air.

ESTIMATED HARVEST: 5,200 lbs., unless otherwise agreed. Cumulative Treaty Harvest not to exceed 15,807 lbs.

CATCH REPORTING: All Tribal Sea Cucumber catches must be recorded on daily harvest logs and Treaty Indian Fish Receiving Tickets.

Daily logs must contain the following information:
Pounds harvested (split and drained weight),
days fished, vessel name, catch area/specific location,
number of divers, average depth and hours spent diving.

Logs must be turned into the department at the end of each week in which harvest occurs.

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OTHER PROVISIONS: No fishing may occur on currently open geoduck tracts.

Geoduck harvest water hoses shall not be permitted aboard vessels that are conducting sea cucumber harvest.

All harvesters will strive to harvest only those animals larger than 25cm (9.84 inches contracted length).

Harvest activities must comply with the Tribal 2025/26 Annual Shellfish regulations.

All subtidal harvesters must meet and pass all dive requirements of the Tribe's Natural Resources Department, including a urinalysis.

CPR and First aid cards must be current.

All taxes and fines must be paid in full.

All boat operators must notify the Natural Resources Department at (360) 481-1107 of the upcoming weeks dive plan 5 days in advance.

Boat operators must coordinate with the shellfish program manager to allow for weigh-out and biological sampling of catch prior to sale.

JUSTIFICATION: Harvest available resource. Replacement of 4.6 regulation. Addition of closure area to reflect conservation measures in management plan.

APPROVED:




Nisqually Fish Commission



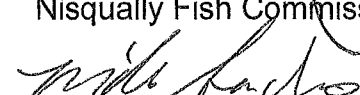
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