

## **Quinault Indian Nation**

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#### 2025 Quinault River Commercial Fishery Fall Regulation-03

TO: Quinault Tribal Members

Quinault Fisheries Enforcement

FROM: Quinault River Fish Committee

DATE: October 29, 2025

SUBJECT: Quinault River Commercial Gillnet Fishery; Week 45-48 (Nov. 2 – Nov. 27, 2025)

**FISHERY/PURPOSE**: To resume the 2025 Quinault River Fall season commercial gillnet fishery.

**SCHEDULE:** All Set-in times are **6 AM** and Pull-out times are **6 PM**. Triple stagger weeks 45-48.

Note: The "MID" grounds used to set the triple staggered schedule boundary alternate each week between Grounds 19-20 and 25-26. Grounds 19-20 are used for the staggered schedule in even numbered Stat weeks. Grounds 25-26 are used for the staggered schedule in odd numbered Stat weeks. See schedule below:

	UPPER	MID		LOWER	
Sat	Grounds 43-44	Grounds 19-20	Grounds 25-26 up	Grounds below	Pull-out (All fishers
Week	and above Set-in	up to 43-44 Set-	to	MID	and all grounds)
		in	43-44 Set-in	Grounds Set-in	
45	Sunday, 11/2/25		Monday, 11/3/25	Tuesday, 11/4/25	Thursday, 11/6/25
	6:00 AM		6:00 AM	6:00 AM	6:00 PM
46	Sunday, 11/9/25	Monday,		Tuesday, 11/11/25	Thursday, 11/13/25
	6:00 AM	11/10/25 6:00		6:00 AM	6:00 PM
		AM			
47	Sunday,		Monday, 11/17/25	Tuesday, 11/18/25	Thursday, 11/20/25
	11/16/25 6:00		6:00 AM	6:00 AM	6:00 PM
	AM				
48	Sunday,	Monday,		Tuesday, 11/25/25	Thursday, 11/27/25
	11/23/25 6:00	11/24/25 6:00		6:00 AM	6:00 PM
	AM	AM			

**GEAR:** Mesh size is set to a maximum  $6-\frac{1}{2}$  stretch measure.

"High Water Set" restriction has been set at 4,500 cubic feet per second (cfs) (Refer to the Quinault River General Regulations posted on October 12, 2018-see Sections IV. 14 and IV. 15 and VII. 10). High water sets are limited by provisions of section VII. 10 a, b, c, d, and e. High Water Sets are not allowed to be instituted at flows less than 4,500 cfs.

Flow restrictions are based on flow measured at the USGS station below Lake Quinault at site no.: 12039500

All nets must be marked on outside corks with personal tribal identification number.

No "sinker nets" are allowed on the Quinault River. All nets must be buoyed by a cork line the full length of the net.

No nets may be set in prior to the listed dates and times listed above.

All nets must be completely removed by the pull-out dates and times listed above.

Fishing Grounds No.'s 1 through 8: Until further notice fishing grounds No.'s 1 through 8 at the mouth of the Quinault River will remain closed. The committee in consultation with the Chief of Fisheries enforcement shall lift this closure when conditions become fishable.

All catch must be reported each day for each ground (to be reported immediately after the fish are brought to shore, before the fish house closes, or if the fish house has already closed, then it must be reported by 12:00 noon the next day the fish house is open). A board for reporting catch will be provided at the enterprise.

**Fish Tickets:** Fish tickets shall be issued at the time of purchase using the Quinault Electronic Fish Ticket System (QEFTS) per QIN Business Committee Resolution No. 18-104-97. Two receipts will be printed at the time of the transaction, each signed by the fisher (seller) and the buyer and each keeping a copy for their records. The electronic fish ticket will record the person that actually caught the fish under a valid QIN permit or authorization; his or her ID number; and the ground location number, if applicable, or a notation of drift netting. If a person is signing a fish ticket as an assistant, helper, or hired fisherman, the electronic fish ticket shall also include the name and identification number of the fisher being assisted.

Sales of Fish: A fishermen may only sell their catch to authorized Quinault Nation Buyers with the following exception: a fisherman may sell no more than a daily total of 10 salmon and steelhead (combined) directly to consumers.

#### **Incidental Caught Sturgeon Restrictions: Refer to regulation listed below:**

Quinault River General Regulation Section VII subsection 11.

Quinault Policy Spokesman

Fisher Helper Registration: Following their initial notification to the QDNR Permits office of the employment of a helper, the Fisher to whom the ground is assigned shall be limited to 30 days in which to officially register that helper-This section was approved by Fish Committee during the meeting during week of Sept. 02, 2010.

Justification: This regulation was approved by the Quinault River Committee on October 29,

2023.	
Quinault River Fish Committee	
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