



# Quinault Indian Nation

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## QUEETS RIVER 2025 FALL FISHERY SPORT FISHING REGULATION – 01

TO: Quinault Tribal Members  
Quinault Fisheries Enforcement  
FROM: Queets River Committee  
DATE: August 13, 2025  
SUBJECT: Sport Fishing on the Queets River

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**FISHERY/PURPOSE:** To open the Queets River and its tributaries (excluding Salmon River) within the Quinault Reservation to hook and line fishing consistent with the 2025 Queets River Fall Management Plan.

**SEASON:** September 1, 2025 – November 30, 2025

**AREA RESTRICTION:** The Queets River (excluding Salmon River) within the Quinault Indian Reservation. Fishing below the location of the “**Rock**”, located just above the new fish house (ground 37), shall be closed during the scheduled gillnet fishery openers.

**LIMITS:** The fishery is open to taking the following species and the daily bag limits:

| Species                                                                | Daily Limits                                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Adult Coho (greater than 20 inches)                                    | 3 fish (Sept 1-Oct. 31), 2 fish (Nov. 1-Nov. 30) |
| Adult Chinook (greater than 24 inches)                                 | 1 fish                                           |
| Jack Salmon (chinook less than 24 inches and coho less than 20 inches) | 6 fish                                           |
| Steelhead                                                              | 0 fish (No retention)                            |
| White Sturgeon <sup>1</sup>                                            | 1 fish (60-inch maximum length)                  |
| Cutthroat                                                              | 4 fish                                           |
| Native Char                                                            | 4 fish                                           |
| Perch                                                                  | 15 fish                                          |

<sup>1</sup> length is measured from tip of snout to tip of tail while fish is lying flat on side.

**GEAR:** Each fisher is limited to the use of one (1) fishing pole.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Snagging is prohibited. Walking on redds (egg nests) is prohibited.

**Fish Handling Requirements:** The following fish handling procedures can improve the survival of released fish.

- Do not remove the fish from the water.
- Do not net the fish – but if netting is necessary, use knotless nets or rubber mesh nets.
- Use a hook remover when hooks are imbedded in the mouth of jaw.
- If a fish has swallowed the hook, cut the leader.
- Keep fingers and tools away from the eyes and gills of the fish.

**PARTICIPATION:** An enrolled Quinault tribal member must accompany a limit of three (3) non-Quinault fishers. The Quinault member must be within 100 feet of their non-Quinault guest/client while fishing. Only boats and accessory equipment owned and operated by Quinault tribal members are allowed in these areas for this fishery.

**REPORTING:** All Quinault-member catch shall be reported to the QDNR permits office in Taholah at Ext. 7372 within 72 hours of capture or to [mycatch@quinault.org](mailto:mycatch@quinault.org). Quinault-licensed guides shall report catches by themselves and their clients in logbooks provided by the QDNR permits office.

Fish caught in this fishery CANNOT be sold for any purpose.

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*Queets River Fish Committee*

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