



Quinault Indian Nation

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2025 Quinault Perch Sport Fishing Season Regulation – 02

To: Quinault Tribal Members
Quinault Fisheries Enforcement

From: Quinault Indian Nation Business Committee

Date: July 11, 2025

Subject: Ocean Perch Fishing, January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

Season January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

Area The Quinault Indian Reservation beaches are open to hook and line fishing for perch, with the exception of the area on the Point Grenville beach which is closed to non-member perch fishers north of the first approach. Additionally, the area between Pt. Grenville and the mouth of the Quinault River shall be closed to guided perch fishing by non-enrolled Quinault fishers from June 28th to July 7th. Guided perch fishing shall be closed on any beach during any commercial or subsistence clam dig on that beach.

“Mouth” is defined as the base level of the river or the lowest point to which it can flow.

Furthermore, Perch (guided and non-guided) fishing is allowed July 11th to August 1st, 2025, up to Quinault River Fishing Ground #5 (signage/markers will be posted to delineate upper boundary). **No retention of Salmon/Steelhead**, however fishers can retain up to 4 Char as part of the overall Quinault River sport daily limit.

Restrictions

- All non-enrolled Quinault fishers must be accompanied by an enrolled Quinault tribal member who is an authorized perch fishing guide while on the beaches of the Quinault Indian Reservation. A list of fishing guides can be obtained from the QDNR Permits Office.
- An enrolled tribal member accompanying such a non-enrolled Quinault fisher as a perch fishing guide, must be within 200 feet **AND** visual proximity of that non-enrolled Quinault fisher. A guide that is an elder and who has limited physical

mobility, may be beyond 200 feet from a non-enrolled Quinault fisher and achieve visual proximity by the use of binoculars.

- A fisher whose guide leaves the beach for any reason, for any period of time, must suspend fishing activities until the guide returns to the beach. It shall be the guide's responsibility to communicate his or her absence from the beach and required suspension of fishing activities to the fisher.
- Non-enrolled Quinault fishers may only be on the beaches of the Quinault Indian Reservation between sunrise and sunset. Under Title 52, camping is not authorized on the beaches of the Quinault Indian Reservation, except by permit issued by the Quinault Business Committee. 52.03.010 (e).
- Gear: Each fisher is limited to the use of one fishing pole at a given time;
- Bag Limit: 15 perch per fisher, any size, within the reservation boundaries. Fishermen must retain the first 15 fish they catch.

Daily Fees

- All non-enrolled Quinault fishers must obtain a daily or annual QIN perch fishing permit. Permits shall be priced on a scale that varies according to the duration of the permit.
 - Permits lasting up to three days shall cost \$10.00;
 - Annual permits shall cost \$35.00.
 - Separate permits shall be available for fishing activities from four to sixteen days, and shall cost between \$12.00 and \$34.00 pursuant to the fee schedule in Appendix A.
 - See Appendix A for full schedule of fees.
- Permits may be obtained at locations listed in Appendix A. Fishers must have their permit on their person while engaged in fishing activities.
- A \$30.00 minimum fee per non-enrolled Quinault fishers shall be charged per day by the enrolled Quinault Tribal Guides for guiding services.

Requirements for Guides

- An enrolled Quinault tribal member may apply for an annual revocable guiding license from the QDNR Permits Office.
- A QIN-licensed guide shall be authorized to accompany no more than 5 non-enrolled Quinault individuals, whether fishing or not, on the beaches of the Quinault Indian Reservation. Such non-enrolled Quinault fishers shall not be accompanied on the beaches by non-enrolled Quinault individuals that are not engaged in fishing.

- Catch Reporting: All catches must be reported as required by Title 51 and regulations promulgated under that Title. A guide shall be responsible for reporting all fish caught by his or her client, and shall be liable for violations for any failure to report those fish.
- A guiding license shall be suspended upon a determination by Quinault Tribal Court that the licensed guide violated this regulation, including by failing to report all fish caught by his or her client(s), or that the guide's clients have demonstrated a pattern of violations.
 - The first violation shall result in a suspension of one week; the second violation shall result in a suspension of one month; the third violation shall result in a suspension of the remainder of the year.
 - No suspension will be reduced by the closure of a fishery. Any suspension that would be cut short as a result of a closure during the suspension periods listed in this sub-part shall be completed when the season re-opens.
- An enrolled Quinault tribal member may not be authorized as a guide if, at the time of applying, he or she is serving a forfeiture of license, permit, or authority to participate in any Title 51-regulated activity by order of the Quinault Tribal Court.
- Guides are responsible for cleanup of litter by their fisher clients at fishing locations.
- Fires-Any fires provided for the comfort of Guide's clients must be constructed from wood brought to the beach from sources other than driftwood on the beach. Fires must be in compliance with current regulations.
- Vehicles: Any client that operates an automobile on the beaches of the Quinault Indian Reservation must sign a waiver acknowledging that in the event that his or her automobile becomes stuck, he or she shall be financially responsible for removal of the vehicle, whether it is removed by QIN or some other party. The Guide shall be responsible for obtaining his or her Client's waiver.

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Appendix A – Guided Perch Fishing Fee Schedule

Quinault Indian Nation, 2025

Annual Fishing Permits--\$35.00, and last for one annual fishing season, closing at the end of the calendar year.

Short-term permits:

<u>Days</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3	\$10
4	\$12
5	\$14
6	\$16
7	\$18
8	\$20
9	\$22
10	\$24
11	\$26
12	\$28
13	\$30
14	\$32
16	\$34

Locations to pay:

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

QIN Revenue - pay 1st then go to QDNR Permits with receipt to pick up fishing permit.

After hours and weekends ONLY

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