

Chignik Area Subsistence Fishing

The Chignik Area includes all waters of Alaska on the south side of the Alaska Peninsula bounded by a line extending 135° southeast for three miles from a point near Kilokak Rocks at 57° 10.34' N. Lat., 156° 20.22' W. Long. (the longitude of the southern entrance to Imuya Bay) then due south, and a line extending 135° southeast from Kupreanof Point at 55° 33.98' N. Lat., 159° 35.88' W. Long. These regulations apply on waters within or adjacent to the Alaska Peninsula National Wildlife Refuge, Aniakchak National Monument and Preserve, and Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge. [See Map 9 combined with Alaska Peninsula Area map.]

Species / Customary and Traditional Use Determinations	Harvest Limits	Open Season
Salmon — Subsistence fishing permit required except as noted below.		
• <i>Residents of the Chignik Area.</i>	No more than 250 salmon unless specified otherwise on subsistence fishing permit.	Year round (or as scheduled) If you hold a commercial fishing license, you may only subsistence fish for salmon as specified on a State subsistence salmon fishing permit.
Rainbow/Steelhead Trout — Subsistence fishing permit required.		
• <i>All rural residents</i>	No limit	Year round Rainbow/steelhead trout taken incidentally in other subsistence net fisheries may be retained for subsistence purposes.
Char — Subsistence fishing permit required.		
• <i>Residents of the Chignik Area.</i>	No limit	Year round
All Other Fish		
• <i>Residents of the Chignik Area.</i>	No limit	Year round

Special Provisions

- ◆ Within the Chignik Area, you may take fish (except salmon, rainbow/steelhead trout, and char) at any time unless restricted under the terms of a subsistence fishing permit. If you take rainbow/steelhead trout incidentally in other subsistence net fisheries, you may retain them for subsistence purposes.
- ◆ You may take salmon by seines, gillnets, rod and reel, or with gear specified on a subsistence fishing permit, except that in Chignik Lake, you may not use purse seines. You may also take salmon without a permit by snagging (by handline or rod and reel), using a spear, bow and arrow, or capturing by bare hand.
- ◆ You may take fish other than salmon by gear listed in this part unless restricted under the terms of a subsistence fishing permit.
- ◆ If a permit is required, you must keep a record of subsistence-caught fish on your permit. You must complete the record immediately upon taking subsistence-caught fish and must return it no later than the due date listed on the permit.
- ◆ If you hold a commercial fishing license, you may only subsistence fish for salmon as specified on a subsistence fishing permit.
- ◆ **Within the Chignik watershed, depending upon the area that you may fish, in addition to a State subsistence fishing permit, you may be required to also have a Federal subsistence permit.**
 - **You may take salmon in the Chignik River, with rod and reel, from a point 300 feet upstream of the ADF&G weir to Chignik Lake from January 1 through August 9, with no daily harvest or possession limit under the authority of a Federal subsistence fishing permit.**
 - **You may take salmon by gillnet in Black Lake or any tributary to Black or Chignik Lakes with a Federal subsistence fishing permit.**

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- You may take salmon by gillnet in the waters of Clark River and Home Creek from their confluence with Chignik Lake upstream 1 mile.
- You may take salmon without a permit in the open waters of Clark River and Home Creek by snagging (handline or rod and reel), spear, bow and arrow, or capture by hand. The daily harvest and possession limits using these methods are 5 per day and 5 in possession.



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