Chapter 220-357 WAC
COMMERCIAL FISHERIES—STURGEON

WAC 220-357-010 Willapa Bay—Seasons and gear—Sturgeon. It is unlawful to fish for or possess sturgeon taken for commercial purposes from Marine Fish-Shellfish Management and Catch Reporting Area 60C except at those times and with such gear as provided by emergency rule of the director, and subject to the provisions of this section:

It is unlawful to take sturgeon by angling from any vessel that is engaged in commercial sturgeon fishing, has been engaged in commercial sturgeon fishing that same day, or has commercially caught sturgeon aboard.


WAC 220-357-020 Grays Harbor—Season and gear—Sturgeon. It is unlawful to fish for or possess sturgeon taken for commercial purposes from Marine Fish-Shellfish Management and Catch Reporting Area 60B except at those times and with such gear as provided by emergency rule of the director, and subject to the provisions of this section:

It is unlawful to take sturgeon by angling from any vessel that is engaged in commercial sturgeon fishing, has been engaged in commercial sturgeon fishing that same day, or has commercially caught sturgeon aboard.


WAC 220-357-030 Commercial sturgeon fishery—Gillnet—Lower Columbia, Grays Harbor and Willapa Bay. (1) The lower Columbia River, Grays Harbor and Willapa Bay are closed to commercial sturgeon fishing, except as provided by emergency rule of the director. Sturgeon taken incidentally during an open commercial salmon fishing period may be retained for commercial purposes when allowed by department rule.

(2) Violation of this subsection is a gross misdemeanor under RCW 77.15.550, Violation of commercial fishing area or time—Penalty, unless the circumstances constitute violating commercial fishing area or time in the first degree, which is a class C felony.