



# RULE-MAKING ORDER

**CR-103E (July 2011)**  
**(Implements RCW 34.05.350)**

**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Emergency Rule Only**

**Effective date of rule:**

**Emergency Rules 13-169**

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?**

- Yes
  - No
- If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** Amend recreational fishing rules

**Citation of existing rules affected by this order:**

Repealed: WAC 232-28-61900H and 232-28-61900U  
 Amended: WAC 232-28-619  
 Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.12.045, 77.12.047 and 77.04.020

**Other authority :**

**EMERGENCY RULE**

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
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- That in order to implement the requirements or reductions in appropriations enacted in any budget for fiscal year 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, or 2013, which necessitates the need for the immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the fiscal needs or requirements of the agency.

Reasons for this finding: One of the provisions of the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission's new draft policy, "Columbia River Basin Salmon Management," requires sport anglers fishing for salmon and steelhead in the mainstem Columbia River to use barbless hooks beginning in 2013. This regulation is needed to maintain concurrent regulations between Oregon and Washington in those waters of the mainstem Columbia River where the two states share a boundary. In addition, this regulation is needed to implement the barbless-hook requirement for Columbia River tributaries that was adopted during the recent North of Falcon process. These rules are interim until permanent rules take effect.

**Date adopted:** August 1, 2013

**NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)**  
Philip Anderson

**SIGNATURE**

**TITLE**  
Director

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STATE OF WASHINGTON  
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**WSR 13-16-055**

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**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.  
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.  
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

**The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:**

<b>Federal statute:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Federal rules or standards:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Recently enacted state statutes:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

**The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:**

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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**The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:**

New	<u>1</u>	Amended	_____	Repealed	<u>2</u>
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**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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**The number of sections adopted using:**

<b>Negotiated rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Pilot rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Other alternative rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

## NEW SECTION

**WAC 232-28-61900U Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia River and tributaries.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 232-28-619, effective immediately, it is unlawful to violate the following provisions, provided that unless otherwise amended, all permanent rules remain in effect:

1. Abernathy Creek (Cowlitz Co.) from mouth (Hwy. 4 Bridge) to posted markers 500 feet below salmon hatchery: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
2. Blue Creek (Lewis Co.) from mouth to posted sign above rearing pond outlet: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
3. Camas Slough: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
4. Cedar Creek (tributary of North Fork Lewis River) (Clark Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
5. Cispus River (Lewis Co.) from mouth to North Fork: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
6. Coal Creek (Cowlitz Co.) from mouth to 400 feet below falls: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
7. Columbia River from a true north/south line through Buoy 10 to a projected line from Rocky Point on the Washington bank through Red Buoy 44 to the navigation light at Tongue Point on the Oregon bank:
  - (a) Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
  - (b) Effective September 2 through September 30, release Chinook.
8. Columbia River from a line projected line from Rocky Point on the Washington bank through Red Buoy 44 to the navigation light at Tongue Point on the Oregon bank (Rocky Point/Tongue Point line) to Bonneville Dam:
  - (a) Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
  - (b) Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for cutthroat trout from the Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to the I-5 Bridge.
  - (c) Effective immediately until further notice, no more than one Chinook may be retained.

- (i) Downstream of a line from a line projected from the Warrior Rock lighthouse through Red Buoy #4 to the orange marker atop the dolphin on the Washington shore:

- (A) Effective September 6 through September 12, release wild Chinook.
- (B) Effective September 13 through September 30, release Chinook.

9. Columbia River from Bonneville Dam to Chief Joseph Dam: Salmon open until further notice. Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
10. Coweeman River (Cowlitz Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
11. Cowlitz Falls Reservoir (Lake Scanewa) (Lewis Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
12. Cowlitz River (Cowlitz Co.) from mouth to 400 feet below Mayfield Powerhouse: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon, steelhead, and cutthroat trout.
13. Cowlitz River (Cowlitz Co.) from posted PUD sign on Peters Rd. to the mouth of Ohanepecosh and mouth of Muddy Fork: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
14. Drano Lake (waters downstream of markers on point of land downstream and across from Little White Salmon National Fish Hatchery) (Skamania Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
15. Elochoman River (Wahkiakum Co.) from mouth to West Fork: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
16. Germany Creek (Cowlitz Co.) from mouth to end of Germany Creek Road (approximately 5 miles): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
17. Grays River (Wahkiakum Co.) from mouth to mouth of South Fork: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
18. Grays River, West Fork (Wahkiakum Co.) from mouth to hatchery intake/footbridge: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
19. Green River (Cowlitz Co.) from mouth to Miner's Creek: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
20. Hamilton Creek (Skamania Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.

21. Kalama River (Cowlitz Co.) from boundary markers at the mouth to 1,000 feet below the fishway at upper salmon hatchery:
  - (a) Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
  - (b) Effective immediately until further notice, stationary gear restriction has been rescinded.
22. Klickitat River (Klickitat Co.) from mouth to Yakama reservation boundary: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
23. Lacamas Creek (tributary of Cowlitz River) (Lewis Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
24. Lewis River (Clark Co.) from mouth to forks: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
25. Lewis River, East Fork (Clark/Skamania counties) from mouth to 400 feet downstream of Horseshoe Falls: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
26. Lewis River, North Fork (Clark/Skamania counties) from mouth to overhead powerlines below Merwin Dam:
  - (a) Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
  - (b) Effective immediately through September 30, open for salmon . Daily limit 6 hatchery salmon, of which no more than 2 may be adult Chinook. Release all salmon except hatchery Chinook and hatchery coho.
  - (c) Effective immediately until further notice, Colvin Creek to powerlines, anti-snagging rule is in effect.
27. Little Washougal River (Clark Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
28. Mill Creek (Cowlitz Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
29. Mill Creek (tributary of Cowlitz River) (Lewis Co.) from mouth to hatchery road crossing culvert: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
30. Olequa Creek (Lewis/Cowlitz counties): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.

31. Rock Creek (Skamania Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
32. Salmon Creek (Clark Co.) from mouth to 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Bridge: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
33. Skamokawa Creek (Wahkiakum Co.) from mouth (Hwy. 4 Bridge) to forks below Oatfield and Middle Valley Road: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
34. Tilton River (Lewis Co.) from mouth to West Fork: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
35. Toutle River (Cowlitz Co.) from mouth to forks: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
36. Toutle River, North Fork (Cowlitz Co.) from mouth to posted deadline downstream of the fish collection facility: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
37. Toutle River, South Fork (Cowlitz Co.): Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
38. Washougal River (Clark County) from mouth to Salmon Falls:
  - (a) Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
  - (b) Effective immediately until further notice, stationary gear restriction has been rescinded.
39. Washougal River, West (North) Fork (Clark/Skamania counties) from water intake at WDFW hatchery upstream: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for steelhead.
40. White Salmon River (Klickitat/Skamania counties) from mouth to county road bridge below the powerhouse: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.
41. Wind River (Skamania Co.) from mouth to 400 feet below Shipherd Falls: Effective immediately until further notice, barbless hooks required for salmon and steelhead.

REPEALERS

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective August 1, 2013:

WAC 232-28-61900H Exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia River and tributaries. (13-86)

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