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WASHINGTON COASTAL DUNGENESS CRAB INDUSTRY NOTICE

**Evisceration Requirements for All Coastal WA Catch Areas are Removed
Effective Immediately**

Due to low levels of domoic acid in recent crab samples taken from all coastal WA sample locations, WDFW is removing evisceration requirements for all areas. **Hold inspection certificate numbers no longer need to be noted on fish tickets.**

While there was a delay in getting the domoic acid results from the Washington Department of Health laboratory, all crab currently on-board are not required to be eviscerated.

This information and future updates will also be available on WDFW web page:
<http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/commercial/crab/coastal/>

If you have questions regarding the information contained in this notice or other regulations pertaining to the coastal Dungeness crab fishery, please contact Dan Ayres at 360-470-3557 or Robert Morgan at (360) 480-8596.