



State of Washington  
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**WASHINGTON COASTAL DUNGENESS CRAB INDUSTRY NOTICE**

Last year Washington coastal Dungeness crab license owners and vessel operators were notified about changes to the coastal Dungeness crab fishery. The intent of these changes are to reduce the risk of whales becoming entangled in commercial crab gear by reducing the number of lines in the water during the peak time when humpback whales are present off the Washington coast. This notice is a reminder of requirements that will be in place May 1, 2021.

**Effective May 1 through September 15**

- Licenses with a permanent pot limit of 500 will be assigned a reduced pot limit of 330 pots.
- Licenses with a permanent pot limit of 300 will be assigned a reduced pot limit of 200 pots.

**If you plan to fish on or after May 1, you must order your summer buoy tags by April 10, 2020.**

This deadline is structured so that tags will arrive prior to May 1 and provide you with enough time to get them on your gear prior to May 1. If you order your summer buoy tags after the April 10 deadline, you are not guaranteed to receive them by May 1. Regardless of when you acquire your summer tags, they must be attached to any gear deployed on or after May 1.

To order summer buoy tags, fill out the attached payment/order form and mail, fax or email it along with your payment to the contact information provided on the form.

**Due to Covid Restrictions, all buoy tags will be mailed and no pickup will be allowed.**



## 2021 SUMMER COASTAL CRAB BUOY TAG PAYMENT/ORDER FORM

License Owner \_\_\_\_\_

License # \_\_\_\_\_

Please ship my buoy tags to:  
the address must be a physical address (**not a PO Box**)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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300 pot limit – 200 tags at \$1.25 each .....\$250.00

500 pot limit – 330 tags at \$1.25 each .....\$412.50

Make checks payable to WDFW  
Mail to: WDFW Commercial Licensing  
PO Box 43154  
Olympia WA 98504 **or**  
Fax to: 360-902-2945 **or**  
Email: [commercialsales@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:commercialsales@dfw.wa.gov)

Visa

MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ expire \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial License Sales 360-902-2464