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2025/26 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT FISHERY CLOSURE

The following areas will close by regulation at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, February 28, 2026:

District 4: Harvest is confidential. The guideline harvest level (GHL) is 20,000 pounds;

District 5: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 12,000 pounds;

District 16: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 12,000 pounds.

All shrimp pot gear must be removed from the water or placed in storage by the time of the closure. Pots may be stored in the waters of Districts 4, 5, and 16 until 4:00 p.m., Saturday, March 7, 2026. Stored pots must have all doors secured fully open and all bait and bait containers removed.

Shrimp tickets must be submitted to an ADF&G office within seven days of the closure. Fishermen are reminded that catcher–sellers intending to sell shrimp to persons unlicensed to process shrimp (i.e. dock sales) must fill out an ADF&G fish ticket indicating the weight of the shrimp on board, by species, before any shrimp are removed from the vessel (5 AAC 31.143.[d]).

Catcher–processor vessels fishing in these areas are required to contact the ADF&G and report within 72 hours of the closure. Catcher–processor vessels must report the pounds in whole weight by species of shrimp on board the vessel taken during the open shrimp-fishing period.

Open areas and associated GHLs for the 2026/27 season will be announced in April.

2025/26 Southeast Alaska Shrimp Pot Fishery

Areas	2025/2026 GHL*	Pounds Harvested*	Boats	Closure Date
District 1	40,000	40,000	13	27-May-25
District 2	30,000	22,400	8	30-May-25
Section 3-A	114,000	108,900	21	29-May-25
Sections 3-B/C	10,000	Confidential	Confidential	31-Jul-25
District 4	20,000	Confidential	Confidential	28-Feb-26
District 5	12,000	Confidential	Confidential	28-Feb-26
Sections 6-B/C/D	15,000	9,100	3	31-Jul-25
District 7	56,000	51,900	15	26-May-25
Sections 8-A/10-C	12,000	7,900	4	31-Jul-25
Sections 8-B/6-A	15,000	19,800	11	24-May-25
District 9	10,000	9,600	3	26-May-25
Sections 10-A/B	35,000	41,500	10	22-May-25
District 11-Seymour	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
Sections 11-A/B/C	4,000	4,000	4	25-May-25
District 12-Tenakee	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
District 12-Remainder	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
Sections 13-A/B	12,600	13,000	6	5-Jun-25
Section 13-C	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
District 14	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
District 15 (East Side)	3,500	Confidential	Confidential	31-Jul-25
District 15 (Remainder)	7,500	Confidential	Confidential	31-Jul-25
District 16	12,000	Confidential	Confidential	28-Feb-26
Total Harvest	404,600	345,200	89	

*GHL and harvest are pounds of whole shrimp. All GHLs and harvest are spot shrimp only except for District 16 and Sections 11-A/B/C which are spot and coonstripe shrimp, and District 15 which is coonstripe shrimp only.

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