

NISQUALLY INDIAN TRIBE  
EMERGENCY REGULATION 4-2025/2026  
10/3, 2025

In accordance with Section 14.23.02 of Nisqually Tribal Code, Title 14-Chapter 2, as amended by the Tribal Council effective 7/1/91, the Nisqually Fish Commission has adopted the following fishery modification effective October 12, 2025 for the Nisqually River 83D.

**Regulation Modified:** None

**SPECIES:** COHO

**Fishery Type:** Commercial

**Gear Type:** Gill Net

**Mesh Restriction:** max 6"

**Gill Net Days and hours open:** three days a week October 12<sup>h</sup> through November 19<sup>th</sup>:  
Sunday noon to Wednesday noon

**Nighttime Closure – Closed 10 p.m. to 1 hour before Sunrise**

**Area:** Nisqually River mouth to Clear Creek mouth at Flagging through October 22<sup>rd</sup>.  
Nisqually River mouth to flagging below Kalama Creek from October 26<sup>th</sup> through  
November 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Nisqually Commercial Regulations as defined by 2025 Annual Regulations:**

1. Commercial and C+S Fisheries -Any combination of 2 gill nets per active fisher combined cannot exceed 250 feet in length. No singular set net can exceed 125 feet in length. No drift gill net can exceed 70 feet in length.
2. No net shall extend beyond 1/3 the width of the channel of the Nisqually River at any tide.
3. All nets shall be clearly identified with **NISQ and fishing ID number** with letters no less than 1" in height. Buoys from recycled jugs from nontoxic products only.
4. All nets can be tended only by owner and or authorized assistant-"active fisher". Gill nets shall be tended not less than once every 24 hours.
5. Fishing locations in freshwater areas shall be not less than 250 feet apart.
6. All nets are to be removed from the river at the end of Coho season. Any nets remaining after November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025 will be considered abandoned and will be removed by the Tribal Law Enforcement Patrol and owner will be cited for littering.

**SPECIAL SPECIES CONCERN:** GREEN AND WHITE STURGEON

**FISHERY TYPE:** INCEDENTAL; ALL STURGEON CAUGHT DURING ANY  
DIRECTED FISHERY IS TO BE RELEASED ALIVE.

**Justification:** Harvestable Coho

