

**Troll - Area H - 2008 Johnstone Strait Chum Individual Transferable
Boat Day Demonstration Fishery**

In 2008, Area H Troll Johnstone Strait chum harvest opportunities will be managed as an Individual Transferable Boat Day demonstration fishery.

Key elements of the Individual Transferable Boat Day Demonstration Fishery are as follows:

1. The demonstration fishery will involve all Area H licence holders.
2. The fishery will be divided into two fishing blocks. Block one will be September 29 to October 11, 2008 and block two will be October 14-29, 2008. No fishing will be permitted on October 12 and 13, 2008. In addition, the troll fishery will be closed during the seine fishery scheduled for Oct. 1 and Oct. 20, 2008. Deepwater Bay (Subarea 13-7) will be closed on weekends.
3. Each Area H licence eligibility holder will be assigned three boat days in block one and two boat days in block two. Boat days may be fished at any time within each block.
4. Boat days are transferable within a block but not between blocks. Transfers are only permitted between other Area H vessels.
5. Start and end fishing reports are required for each day of fishing. These reports are required on a daily basis even if days are fished consecutively.
The start and end fishing reports will be used to monitor fishing activity.
Vessels will be monitored on the grounds to ensure that start fishing reports have been filed prior to commencement of fishing. Once a start fishing report is made, that fishing day is considered to be used. End fishing reports must also be made on a daily basis.
6. Daily catch reporting must be completed according to the conditions of licence (e.g. phone in by 0800 hours of the day after fishing for the previous day's catch, etc.).
7. Catch validation will be mandatory and individual licence holders will be required to cover the cost of catch validation provided by a salmon offload observer service provider authorized by the Department.
8. A vessel monitoring system (VMS) will be piloted by approximately 15 Area H vessels during the chum fishery to monitor fishing activity.
9. Area H Troll vessels are reminded that in order to participate in the Johnstone Strait mixed stock chum fishery amended Conditions of 2008/2009 Salmon Area H Licence are required. The request for amendment form is available at any Pacific Fishery Licence Unit or online at: http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/ops/fm/Licensing/Default_e.htm.
10. Licence eligibility holders are strongly encouraged to designate a signing authority prior to the start of the fishery. This designation permits someone else to authorize a boat day transfer if you are out

fishing and are unable to complete the required transfer application. The designation and reallocation forms will also be available at any Pacific Fishery Licence Unit or online at:
http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/ops/fm/Licensing/Default_e.htm.

11. Further details on fishery boundaries, times etc will be provided by fishery notice on Thursday Sept 25.

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