

The season structure listed below should be considered tentative. All fisheries are subject to change inseason based on catch rates, run size and other unforeseen circumstances.

The final 2025 pre-season plan for summer/fall fisheries will be available in May and can be found here: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/management/columbia-river/compact/other-information>

Summer salmon fisheries (proposed)

- Summer Chinook retention is closed both downstream and upstream of Priest Rapids Dam.
- Sockeye
 - Mainstem waters downstream of the Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco:
 - Open June 22 through July 6 with a one sockeye daily limit (one hatchery steelhead may also be retained within the daily bag limit).
 - Mainstem waters at and upstream of Hanford Reach and Priest Rapids Dam:
 - Open with different dates and a four sockeye daily limit.

Fall salmon fisheries (proposed)

- Buoy 10 upstream to west Puget Island:
 - Open Aug. 1 through Dec. 31.
 - Chinook retention is allowed Aug. 1 through Sept. 6 with hatchery Chinook only allowed Aug. 7-25.
 - The daily adult limit is two salmon, and when Chinook retention is allowed no more than one Chinook; release wild coho.
- West Puget Island upstream to the Lewis River:
 - Open Aug. 1 through Sept. 6 and Oct. 1 through Dec. 31.
 - Chinook retention is allowed Aug. 1 through Sept. 6.
 - The daily adult limit is two salmon, and when Chinook retention is allowed no more than one Chinook; release wild coho.
- Lewis River upstream to Bonneville Dam & Bonneville Dam upstream to Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco:
 - Open Aug. 1 through Sept. 17 and Oct. 1 through Dec. 31.
 - Chinook retention is allowed Aug. 1 through Sept. 17.
 - The daily adult limit is two salmon, and when Chinook retention is allowed no more than one Chinook; release wild coho downstream of Hood River Bridge.

Steelhead (proposed)

Summer steelhead daily limit is one hatchery fish when open as part of the adult limit, as described below.

Columbia River mainstem and tributary summer steelhead regulation summary for 2025-26 fisheries									
Water Body	June 16-June 30	July	August	September	October	November	December	Jan-March	Comments
Columbia River mainstem									
Below I-5 Bridge	Daily limit 1	Daily limit 1	Closed to retention			Permanent Regs for winter steelhead (Daily limit 2)		Some periods of salmon/steelhead angling closures when salmon retention is closed.	
I5-Bridge to Bonneville Dam		Daily limit 1	Closed to retention						
Bonneville Dam to The Dalles Dam		Daily limit 1	Closed to retention						
The Dalles Dam to John Day Dam		Daily limit 1		Closed to retention			TBD in-season		
John Day Dam to McNary Dam		Daily limit 1		Closed to retention			TBD in-season		
McNary Dam to Hwy 395 bridge in Pasco		Daily limit 1		Closed to retention			TBD in-season		
Columbia River tributaries									
Wind/White Salmon (WA) tributary lower reaches	Perm. Regs (Daily limit 2)	Closed to angling for steelhead				Perm. Regs (Daily limit: 3 Wind R; 2 White Salmon R)	Perm. Regs	Lower reaches restricted. Closure improved enforceability.	
Drano Lake (WA)	Perm. Regs (Daily limit 3)					Daily limit 1		Closure improved enforceability.	
Klickitat (WA) tributary lower reaches						Perm. Regs (Daily limit 3)		Lower reaches restricted. Closure improved enforceability.	
Deschutes River (OR) mouth	Daily limit 1	Thermal Angling Sanctuary Regs closed to angling (7/15-9/15)		Perm. Regs (defaults to adjacent mainstem Col R.)				Combination of old perm. regulations (Herman/Eagle Cr. Closures, new permanent regulations, TAS), and intended MS regs by pool which affect these tribs. Note: <u>Herman Cr.</u> Youth and Disabled Angler Angling Area not included; see permanent regulations for this area.	
Eagle Cr. (OR) mouth	Perm. Regs (defaults to adjacent mainstem Col R.)								
Herman Cr. (OR) Lagoon									
Snake River									
Mouth upstream to Couse Creek boat ramp	Perm. Regs (Closed to steelhead retention)			TBD e-rule published by Sept 1				Managed By E-reg. Proposed limits may change to be concurrent with Idaho.	
Couse Creek boat ramp upstream to WA/OR/ID stateline	Perm. Regs (Closed to steelhead retention)			TBD e-rule published by Sept 1				Limits may change to be concurrent with Idaho.	