



Proposal for Regulation Change: Guidelines for Information Requirements Skeena Fisheries Advisory Committee

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Instructions for Proposal Submission:

- Members of the Skeena Fisheries Advisory Committee (SFAC) interested in submitting a proposal to introduce a new, or change an existing regulation for consideration are requested to follow the guidelines provided in this form to facilitate Ministry & SFAC evaluation.
- Deadline for submission of proposals for the 2014 SFAC meeting is February 2, 2014.
- Proposal submissions may be faxed, mailed or emailed to the Fisheries Section, Fish & Wildlife Branch, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, Smithers.

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Region 6

Existing Regulation(s):

Regional Daily Catch Quotas
One Trout from streams July 1 – Oct 31
And you must release
Trout under 30 cm from any stream
Trout of any size from streams Nov 1 – June 30

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The objective of this regulation is to simplify the regulations and increase resident license sales. Allows resident anglers to retain a bleeding trout if or when they encounter while angling no matter what time of the year they angle.

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Skeena 4

Existing Regulation(s):

Steelhead Stamp is mandatory in Skeena River Section 4 during the Classified Waters period from July 1-Dec 31.

Proposal: *Include a concise & accurate description of the proposed regulation (e.g. increase daily possession limit for cutthroat trout from 2/day to 4/day on Skeena River downstream of Exchamsiks/Skeena rivers confluence).*

Make the Steelhead Stamp mandatory in Skeena River 4 as of August 15 instead of July 1

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- 1.) Make it more affordable / easier for residents and non residents alike to harvest chinook and sockeye salmon in Skeena 4.
- 2.) A Steelhead Stamp is not necessary in Skeena 2 unless fishing for steelhead. Not consistent with Skeena 4. Steelhead travel through Skeena 2 to get to Skeena 4. Why the inconsistency? Families who never fish for steelhead are forced to purchase a Steelhead stamp to get a salmon.
- 3.) Resident and non resident anglers could harvest chinook or sockeye salmon with out having to purchase a steelhead stamp. Keep families fishing!
- 4.) Keep families fishing Skeena 4 for salmon. The alternative is for them to drive up to the Babine River. The Babine River is fly fishing only for sockeye & is a longer drive.
- 5.) N/A

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Existing Regulation(s):

Canadian residents only in Skeena River Section 4 on Saturdays and Sundays in two zones: (a) Shegunia River confluence to Sedan Creek confluence July 1-Dec 31 and (b) Chimdemash Creek confluence to 1.5km above Zymoetz River confluence, July 1-31 Dec 31

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Allow non Canadian Aliens to fish the entire Skeena 4 portion seven days a week during the Classified period.

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- 6.) Provide non Canadian Alien anglers with an area to fish over the weekend that is accessible and worth fishing.
- 7.) Non Canadian Aliens are prohibited from fishing most streams in the Skeena watershed during Saturdays and Sundays during the Classified period. Opening Skeena 4 would give visiting anglers an opportunity to fish some easily accessible water as well as water that is worth fishing.
- 8.) The two zones open on Skeena 4 at the present time are difficult to access and the water not very conducive to fishing. The Skeena River is a big river. It can support larger numbers of anglers.
- 9.) Non Canadian Aliens would stay in the Smithers region longer. Non Canadian Aliens contribute not only to the economy but also support conservation causes. It is important to give non Canadian Aliens viable fishing options on weekends.
- 10.) N/A

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