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6 **635-004-0585**

7 **Scope, Inclusion, and Modification of Pacific Halibut Fishery Rules**

8 (1) The commercial Pacific halibut fishery in the Pacific Ocean off Oregon is jointly managed by the state
9 of Oregon, the federal government, and the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC). The Code
10 of Federal Regulations provides federal requirements for this fishery, including but not limited to the time,
11 place, and manner of taking Pacific halibut. However, additional federal regulations may be promulgated
12 subsequently by publication in the Federal Register, and these supersede, to the extent of any
13 inconsistency, the Code of Federal Regulations. Therefore, the following publications are incorporated
14 into Oregon Administrative Rule by reference:

- 15 (a) **Title 50 of the** Code of Federal Regulations, Part 660, Subpart E, (~~[[October 1, 2024]~~**January**
16 **22, 2026** ed.), as amended;
17 (b) Federal Register Vol. 90, No. 54, dated Friday, March 21, 2025; and
18 (c) Federal Register Vol. 90, No. 62, dated Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

19 (2) Persons must consult the federal regulations in addition to Division 004 to determine all applicable
20 Pacific halibut fishing requirements. The area that federal regulations apply to is hereby extended to the
21 area from shore to three nautical miles from shore, coterminous with the Exclusive Economic Zone.

22 (3) The Commission may adopt additional or modified regulations that are more conservative than
23 federal regulations, in which case Oregon Administrative Rule takes precedence.

24 (4) It is unlawful to take Pacific halibut for commercial purposes except as set by federal regulations and
25 the IPHC and in accordance with a valid permit issued by the IPHC.

26 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138, ORS 496.162, ORS 506.119 & ORS 506.129

27 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 506.109 & ORS 496.012
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31 **Halibut Seasons**

32 (1) The Pacific halibut sport fishery in Oregon is regulated by the federal government and the
33 International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC). OAR Chapter 635, Division 039 incorporates into
34 Oregon Administrative Rules, by reference:

- 35 (a) Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 300, Subpart E (~~[[October 1, 2024]~~**January 22,**
36 **2026** ed.), as amended;
37 (b) Federal Register Vol. 90, No. 54, dated Friday, March 21, 2025; and
38 (c) Federal Register Vol. 90, No. 62, dated Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

39 (2) Therefore, persons must consult all publications referenced in this rule in addition to Division 039 to
40 determine applicable halibut fishing seasons.

41 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.138, ORS 496.162, ORS 506.119 & ORS 506.129

42 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 506.109 & ORS 496.012