

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN REGULATIONS
AND OF A PUBLIC MEETING

COMMERCIAL FISHERIES ENTRY COMMISSION

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission proposes to change regulations regarding estimated permit values, permit renewal fees, and temporary emergency transfers of entry permits pending permanent transfer.

The Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 20, Chapter 05 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with miscellaneous regulations, including the following:

The Commission proposes to:

1. Amend 20 AAC 05.245(a)(1) to clarify that the same estimated permit values are used for both setting permit renewal fees and determining appraised value for loans under 20 AAC 05.1990;
2. Amend 20 AAC 05.245(a)(3) to correct a consistency error in the regulation allowing the commission in certain circumstances to adjust permit renewal fees based on estimated permit values;
3. Amend 20 AAC 05.245(c-e), 20 AAC 05.250(b), and 20 AAC 05.1910(h) to update the references to the federal guidelines used to determine eligibility for reduced permit fees;
4. Amend 20 AAC 05.1725(c) to conform to a 2015 change to 20 AAC 05.1946(B)(3) regarding the emergency transfer of second salmon permits; and
5. Amend 20 AAC 05.1740b) to allow the temporary emergency transfer of an entry permit to avoid hardship when an intent to permanently transfer the permit cannot presently be fulfilled in spite of substantial, good faith efforts to do so.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Doug Rickey at Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission, 8800 Glacier Highway, Suite 109, P.O. Box 110302, Juneau, AK 99801-8079 or by email: doug.rickey@alaska.gov. The comments must be received **no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 22, 2016.**

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Doug Rickey at (907) 789-6160 no later than August 17, 2016, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available online at the Alaska Online Public Notice System at <https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Default.aspx> or at the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission webpage at <http://www.cfec.state.ak.us>; or you may contact Doug Rickey, Law Specialist, Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission, 8800 Glacier Highway, Suite 109, P.O. Box 110302, Juneau, AK 99801-8079, (907) 789-6160, Fax: (907) 789-6170, email doug.rickey@alaska.gov.

After the public comment period ends, the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.** Written comments received are public records and are subject to public inspection.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.43.100; AS 16.43.110(a)

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.43.100; AS 16.43.110; AS 16.43.140; AS 16.43.150; AS 16.43.160; AS 16.43.170; and AS 16.43.180.

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Under the Open Meetings Act (AS 44.62.310), the Commission will conduct a public meeting in the Commission's Conference Room, 8800 Glacier Highway, Suite 109, Juneau, Alaska, on **August 24, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.** to consider action upon the proposed regulations. You can contact Doug Rickey for a copy of the agenda on the Friday before the scheduled meeting. No public testimony will be accepted at this meeting.

The Commission keeps a list of individuals and organizations interested in its regulations. Those on the list will automatically be sent a copy of all of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Regulation Changes. To be added to or removed from the list, send a request to CFEC at 8800 Glacier Highway, Suite 109, P.O. Box 110302, Juneau, AK 99801-8079, or email: doug.rickey@alaska.gov, giving your name, and either your email address or mailing address, as you prefer for receiving notices.

By Direction of the
Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission
Bruce Twomley, Chairman
Benjamin Brown, Commissioner

/s/ Bruce Twomley

Date: July 15, 2016.