

operating with the added point of communication under this rule part after both electronically filing Form 312 and Schedule B in the International Communications Filing System (ICFS) in accordance with the applicable provisions of part 1, subpart Y of this chapter and paying the applicable filing fee. This filing shall constitute a conditional authorization. The conditional authorization will automatically expire and the operator must terminate operations immediately using the new point of communication if, within 15 days of paying the filing fee, the Commission notifies the earth station operator that the added point of communication does not comply with requirements of this paragraph. If the Commission does not provide the foregoing notice within the prescribed period, the conditional authorization will automatically expire and the license will be modified in ICFS to add the point of communication as of the date of payment of the filing fee. Nothing in this rule part prohibits the Commission from pursuing enforcement action after the lapse of the 15-day period for noncompliant operation, including noncompliant operation occurring during the period of conditional authorization.

- 8. Delayed indefinitely, amend § 25.118 by:
 - a. Revising paragraph (a)(3);
 - b. Removing and reserving paragraph (b)(1);
 - c. Revising paragraph (b)(2);
 - d. Adding paragraph (b)(3);
 - e. Revising paragraph (e)(4); and
 - f. Adding paragraph (h).

The revisions and additions read as follows:

§ 25.118 Modifications not requiring prior authorization.

- (a) * * *
- (3) An earth station operator may remove a point of communication without prior authorization.
- (b) * * *
- (1) [Reserved]
- (2) Licensees may make other changes to their authorized earth stations, including replacing equipment or the addition of new transceiver/antenna combinations, without notifying the Commission, provided the modification does not involve:
 - (i) An increase in EIRP or EIRP density (either main lobe or off-axis);
 - (ii) Additional operating frequencies;
 - (iii) A change in polarization;
 - (iv) An increase in antenna height;
 - (v) Antenna repointing beyond any coordinated range; or
 - (vi) A change from the originally authorized coordinates of more than 1

second of latitude or longitude for stations operating in frequency bands shared with terrestrial systems or more than 10 seconds of latitude or longitude for stations operating in frequency bands not shared with terrestrial systems.

(vii) additional interference protections; or

(viii) increased radiation to humans beyond the limits permitted by the Commission's rules.

(3) An earth station operator may modify the antenna identification for its authorized earth stations without prior authorization and without notifying the Commission.

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(e) * * *

(4) The licensee certifies that all operations during the drift will be conducted on an unprotected, non-harmful interference basis and that all operations will be coordinated with any existing GSO space stations to ensure that no unacceptable interference results from operations during the relocation.

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(h) *NGSO modifications, 60-day notification required.* NGSO space station licensees may make the following modifications upon notifying the Commission and any potentially affected licensed spectrum user at least 60 days prior to implementation of the change, provided the operator certifies in the notice that it meets the following requirements. The notification must be filed electronically on FCC Form 312 through the International Communications Filing System (ICFS), or any successor system as announced via public notice, in accordance with the applicable provisions of part 1, subpart Y of this chapter:

(1) NGSO space station operators may change an antenna, sensor or microelectronics so long as the changes do not cause:

(i) An increase in the transmit power, EIRP, EIRP density, out-of-band emissions, or change in the antenna pattern(s) or antenna gain characteristics beyond any technical parameters specified in the underlying authorization;

(ii) A change in the area-to-mass ratio of the satellite;

(iii) An increase in the in-orbit collision risk;

(iv) An increase in the re-entry risk;

(v) An increase in the risk of harmful interference to other system(s); or

(vi) An increase in the need for harmful interference protection for the system.

- 9. Amend § 25.121 by revising paragraph (e) and adding paragraph (g) to read as follows:

§ 25.121 License term and renewals.

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(e) *Renewal of licenses.* Applications for renewals of earth station licenses must be submitted on FCC Form 312R no earlier than 12 months, and no later than 30 days, before the expiration date of the license. Applications for space station system replacement authorization for non-geostationary orbit satellites shall be filed no earlier than 12 months, and no later than 30 days, before the expiration date of the license.

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(g) *Autogrant procedures for certain earth station renewals.* An application for renewal of an earth station license will be deemed granted without any further action by the Commission 30 days after filing and paying any associated regulatory fees if the application meets all of the following criteria:

(1) The renewal application does not make any modifications to the license;

(2) The renewal application does not make any changes to the currently authorized operating parameters;

(3) The renewal application is not for operations in a frequency band that is subject to a freeze on new or renewed licenses or is restricted in how a license may be renewed; and

(4) The Commission does not choose to place the application on public notice pursuant to § 25.151.

- 10. Delayed indefinitely, amend § 25.137 by adding paragraph (h) to read as follows:

§ 25.137 Requests for U.S. market access through non-U.S.-licensed space stations.

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(h) A non-U.S. licensed space station operator with a grant of market access may seek special temporary access for operations under the procedures set forth in § 25.120.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 250312-0036, RTID 0648-XF116]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Temporary rule; modification of a closure; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS is opening directed fishing for Pacific cod by catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) length overall (LOA) using hook-and-line or pot gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area (BSAI). This action is necessary to fully use the 2025 total allowable catch of Pacific cod allocated to catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-and-line or pot gear in the BSAI.

DATES: Effective 1200 hours, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), September 1, 2025, through 2400 hours, A.l.t., December 31, 2025. Comments must be received at the following address no later than 4:30 p.m., A.l.t., September 11, 2025.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this document, identified by docket number NOAA-NMFS-2024-0116, by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submission: Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and enter NOAA-NMFS-2024-0116 in the Search box. Click on the “Comment” icon, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comments.

Mail: Submit written comments to Gretchen Harrington, Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, Alaska Region NMFS. Mail comments to P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

Instructions: Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period may not be considered by NMFS. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on <https://www.regulations.gov> without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. NMFS will accept anonymous comments (enter “N/A” in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Andrew Olson, 907-206-5813.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the BSAI exclusive economic zone according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area (FMP) prepared and recommended by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

NMFS closed directed fishing for Pacific cod by catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-and-line or pot gear in the BSAI under § 679.20(d)(1)(iii) on January 21, 2025 (90 FR 11234, March 5, 2025).

NMFS has determined that as of August 22, 2025, approximately 2,049 metric tons of Pacific cod remain in the 2025 Pacific cod apportionment for catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-and-line or pot gear in the BSAI. Therefore, in accordance with § 679.25(a)(1)(i), (a)(2)(i)(C), and (a)(2)(iii)(D), and to fully use the 2025 total allowable catch (TAC) of Pacific cod in the BSAI, NMFS is terminating the previous closure and is opening directed fishing for Pacific cod by catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-and-line or pot gear in the BSAI. The Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, (Regional Administrator) considered the following factors in reaching this decision: (1) the current catch of Pacific cod, including by catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-and-line or pot gear in the BSAI, (2) the harvest capacity and stated intent on future harvesting patterns of vessels participating in this fishery, and (3) the remaining Pacific cod TAC available for harvest in the fishing year.

Classification

NMFS issues this action pursuant to section 305(d) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. This action is required by 50 CFR part 679, which was issued pursuant to section 304(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), there is good cause to waive prior notice and an opportunity for public comment on this action, as notice and comment would be impracticable and contrary to the public interest, as it would prevent NMFS from responding to the most recent fisheries data in a timely fashion, and would delay the opening of directed fishing for Pacific cod by catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-and-line or pot gear in the BSAI. NMFS was unable to publish a notice providing time for public comment because the most recent, relevant data on available TAC for Pacific cod by catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-

and-line or pot gear in the BSAI only became available as of August 22, 2025.

The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA also finds good cause to waive the 30-day delay in the effective date of this action under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3). This finding is based upon the reasons provided above for waiver of prior notice and opportunity for public comment.

Without this inseason adjustment, NMFS could not allow the fishery for Pacific cod by catcher vessels less than 60 feet (18.3 meters) LOA using hook-and-line or pot gear in the BSAI to reopen and the Pacific cod TAC to be harvested in an expedient manner. Under § 679.25(c)(2), interested persons are invited to submit written comments on this action to the above address (see **ADDRESSES**) until September 11, 2025.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: August 25, 2025.

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Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 250312-0036; RTID 0648-XF149]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Temporary rule; reallocation.

SUMMARY: NMFS is reallocating the projected unused amount of Pacific cod from American Fisheries Act (AFA) catcher/processor vessels to amendment 80 vessels in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands (BSAI) management area. This action is necessary to allow the 2025 total allowable catch (TAC) of Pacific cod to be harvested.

DATES: Effective August 25, 2025, through 2400 hours, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), December 31, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew Olson, 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the BSAI according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the