

ATTN: PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND GOLDEN KING & TANNER CRAB SEASON IS OPEN!

OCTOBER 1, 2025 - MARCH 31, 2026

To fish legally, you'll need a Prince William Sound Subsistence Golden King and Tanner Crab Permit — **it's FREE and available online to Alaska Residents Only.**

OVERVIEW FOR BOTH SPECIES

The width size of a Golden King Crab and Tanner Crab is measured as the greatest straight line distance across the carapace including spines. You are only allowed to fish in designated PWS Subsistence areas – check the permit map for approved zones.

2 pots per permitted person, with up to a maximum of 2 pots per vessel in waters south of 60° 00.00' N. lat., and west of 147° 00.00' W. long in the designated state subsistence area for Tanner and Golden King crab.

Get your permit at the ADF&G Online Store under

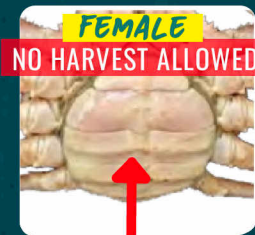
"Fishing and Shellfish Permits/Applications"
<https://store.adfg.alaska.gov/>



TANNER CRAB

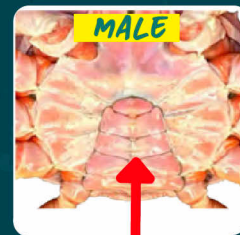
2 pots per permitted person, with up to a maximum of 8 pots per vessel in waters north of 60° 00.00' N. lat., and east of 147° 00.00' W. long in the designated state subsistence area for Tanner crab. Pot and permitted person onboard must match for every pot deployment (e.g. all four permitted people must be onboard the vessel to deploy 8 pots)

⚠ REGULATIONS REMINDER



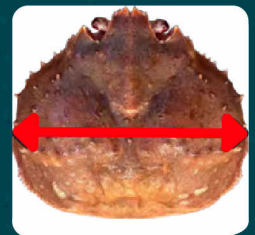
A wide uneven abdominal flap covers most of the underside, with females typically smaller than 5½ inches

- ✓ Only male Tanner crab five inches or greater in width of shell may be taken or possessed.



A narrow triangular abdominal flap covers the underside

- ✓ The daily bag and possession limit is 12 male Tanner crab per permitted person (not household) onboard the vessel, no annual limit.



The width of a Tanner crab is measured as the straight-line distance across the carapace, including the spines

GOLDEN KING CRAB

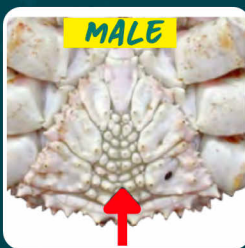
Prince William Sound is only open to golden king crab (subsistence) - minimum size 7 inches.
The rest of Southcentral Alaska is closed to crabbing for all species of king crab.

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- ✓ Golden king crab may be taken only in the waters west of 147° 20.00' W. long.



A narrow triangular abdominal flap covers the underside

- ✓ Only legal male golden king crab seven inches or greater in width of shell may be taken or possessed.



6 prominent spines on mid-dorsal plate



5 to 9 spines on mid-dorsal plate



4 prominent spines on mid-dorsal plate

- ✓ An annual limit per household is three male golden king crab.