

# INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC HALIBUT COMMISSION

## Information Bulletin



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### VESSEL CLEARANCES IN AREA 4 FOR 2003

As referenced in Section 15 of the 2003 IPHC regulations, vessels fishing for halibut in Area 4 are required to clear before fishing and before unloading for each trip, with the exception of local Bering Sea fishers or vessels with an operating Vessel Monitoring System (VMS). Full details on the VMS requirements are available on the NOAA Office for Law Enforcement website (<http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov>) or by phone at (907) 586-7225. Clearance forms, which are available from fish processors and other agents, are coded with a unique clearance reference number specific to the issuing representative and clearance page. In case of questions regarding specific clearances, vessel operators should record this number for future reference. The IPHC will use this coding system to track clearances and vessels. Clearance responsibility rests with vessel operators.

**Vessel Clearances shall be obtained between 0600 and 1800 hours, local time.**

### Clearance locations and contacts for 2003

Clearance Locations		
Dutch Harbor	Akutan	St George
Royal Aleutian Seafoods Steve Stubbe PO Box 920128 Dutch Harbor, AK (907) 581-1671 Fax: (907) 581-1743	Trident Seafoods Cindy Fay PO Box 9 Akutan, AK 99553 (907) 698-2211 Fax: (907) 698-2236	Harbor Master, City of St. George Andrew Philemonof PO Box 929 St. George, AK 99591 (907) 859-2711 Fax: (907) 859-2212 VHF Ch. 9, 12 or 16
Prime Alaska Seafoods Zoya Johnson Dutch Harbor, AK 99692 (907) 581-4110 Fax: (907) 581-4546  Unisea Inc. Al Mendoza, Bill Ammons PO Box 920008 Dutch Harbor, AK 99692 Al (907) 581-7317 cell: 395-7317 Bill (907) 581-7322 cell: 395-7322 Fax: (907) 581-7228	<b>Adak</b>  Adak Fisheries LLC Mary Nelson PO Box 1998 Adak, AK 99546 (907) 592-4193 Fax: (907) 592-4241	Clearances during normal business hours, 0800 – 1700
	<b>Atka (NazanBay)</b>	<b>St. Paul</b>
Westward Seafoods Inc. Jennifer Kelly/Sharyn Kelly PO Box 920608 Dutch Harbor, AK 99692 (907) 581-8232 Fax: (907) 581-1293 Cell: (907) 391-8181	Atka Pride Seafoods Kathleen Nevzoroff PO Box 47071 Atka, AK 99547 (907) 839-2221 Fax: (907) 839-2224 VHF Ch. 6	Trident Seafoods Christina Floyd Mark McKim PO Box 909 St. Paul, AK 99660 (907) 546-2377 Fax: (907) 546-2585 VHF Ch. 73

<b>Allowed Clearances By Port</b>		
<i>Port</i>	<i>To Fish In Area 4</i>	<i>To Unload and/or Departure From Area 4</i>
Akutan	4A	4A, 4C, 4D
Dutch Harbor	4A	4A, 4C, 4D
Atka (Nazan Bay)	4A,4B	4B (VHF radio)
Adak	4B	4B (VHF radio)
St. Paul	4C, 4D (VHF radio with visual contact)	4C, 4D (VHF radio with visual contact)
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Vessels With Observer	May clear at any port for all Areas (4A, 4B, 4C, 4D) at once	May clear at any port for all Areas (4A, 4B, 4C, 4D) at once

If you experience problems obtaining clearances, contact Lara Hutton at (206) 634-1838 ext. 207 in the IPHC's Seattle office.

Finally, throughout the year, IPHC will notify NOAA Office for Law Enforcement of irregularities in clearance requirements.