

North or South Region Delivery Exemption Report



The annual North or South Region Delivery Exemption Report provides NMFS with the means to assess how the industry is exercising the exemption opportunity and whether implementing regulations are sufficient to meet the Council's Statement of Intent for BSAI Amendment 41. This report provides documentation needed by NMFS to evaluate efficacy of privately administered contracts.

Regional Delivery Exemption Report.

<u>On or before July 30</u>, each IFQ holder that signs a preseason application must submit a Regional Delivery Exemption Report to NMFS

By mail to	NMFS Alaska Region Regional Administrator c/o Restricted Access Management Program P.O. Box 21668 Juneau, AK 99802-1668
By fax to	(907) 586-7354
By courier to	NMFS Room 713 709 West 9th Street Juneau, AK 99801

Each Regional Delivery Exemption Report must include an explanation of:

- The amount of IFQ, if any, set aside to reduce the need for, and the amount of, an exemption;
- The mitigation measures employed before submitting an inseason notice;
- The number of times an exemption was requested and used;
- The arrangements for any compensatory deliveries, including all compensatory deliveries made during the crab fishing year and any outstanding compensatory delivery obligations for the following crab fishing year;
- Whether the exemption was necessary; and
- Any impacts resulting from the exemption on the fishery participants and communities that signed the preseason application.

<u>On or before July 15</u>, each **IFQ holder** must submit a copy of the Regional Delivery Exemption Report to the IPQ holders and community representatives that also signed the preseason application. The following terms are defined as follows for purposes of these reports:

<u>IFQ holders</u>: Any person holding regionally designated IFQ for Bristol Bay red king crab, Bering Sea snow crab, St. Matthew blue king crab, Eastern Aleutian Islands golden king crab, Western Aleutian Islands red king crab, or Pribilof red king and blue king crab, or their authorized representative

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Community representatives:

- For communities that hold or formerly held the ROFR pursuant to § 679.41(l), the community representative that signs the preseason application, the framework agreement, the inseason notice, and the exemption contract is the ECC entity.
- For North Region St. Matthew blue king crab PQS and North Region Bering Sea snow crab PQS that was issued without a ROFR, the community representative that signs the preseason application, the framework agreement, the inseason notice, and the exemption contract for Saint Paul and Saint George shall be either:
 - (1) Both Aleutian Pribilof Islands Community Development Association (APICDA) and the Central Bering Sea Fishermen's Association (CBSFA), or
 - (2) The community representative that APICDA and CBSFA designate

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