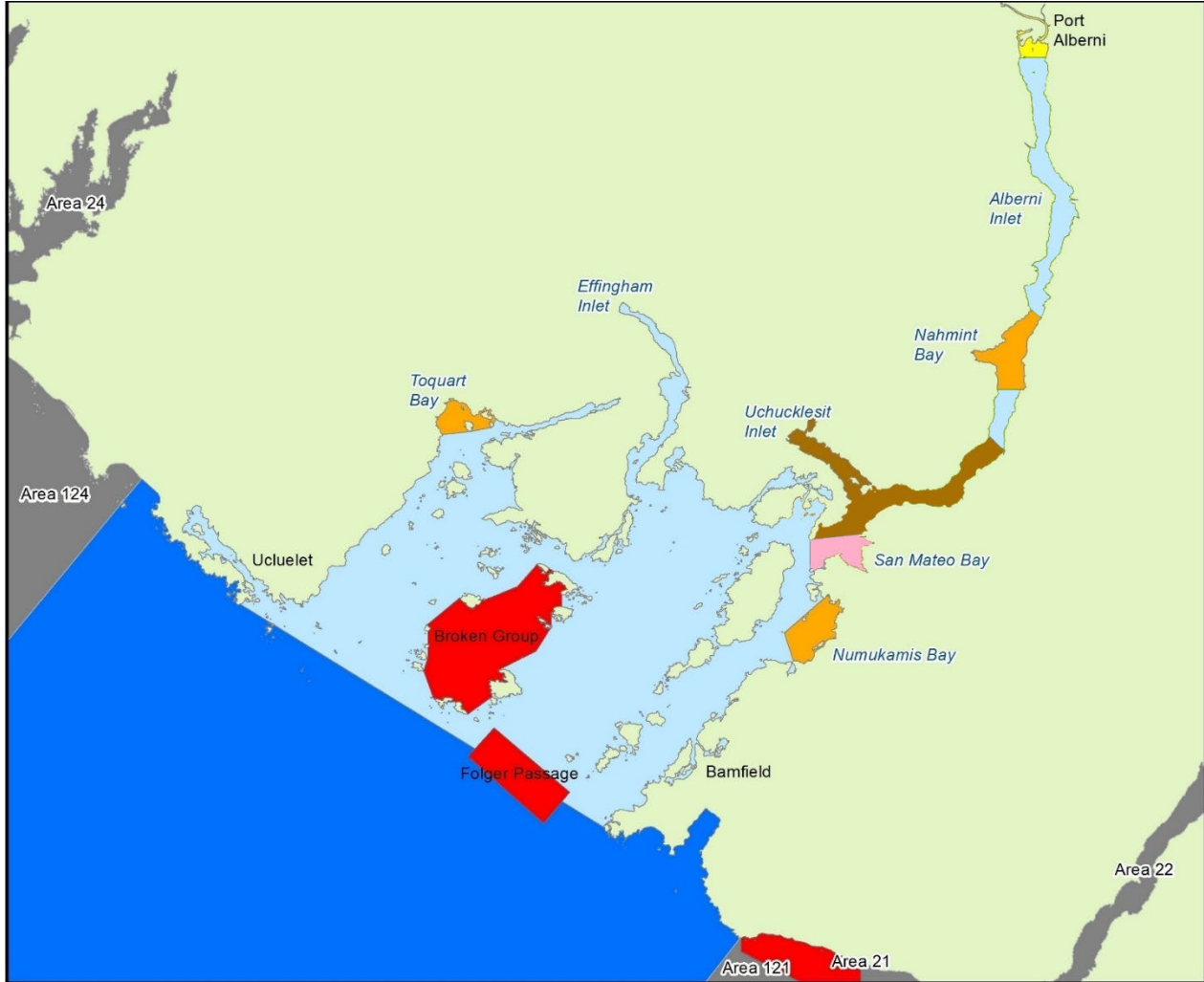
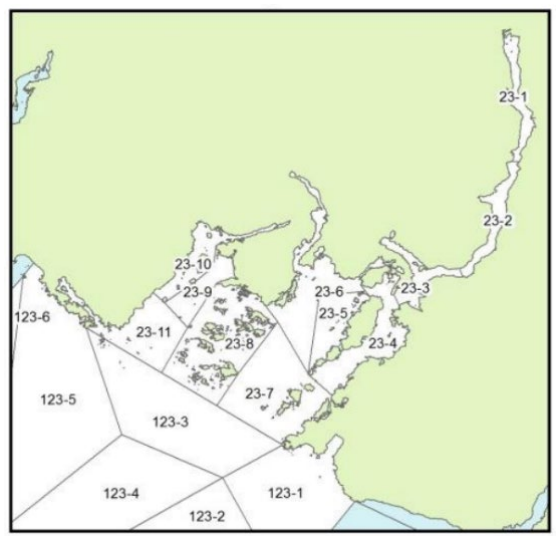




Areas 23 and 123 - Barkley Sound and Alberni Inlet 2026 Sockeye openings and other closures



Area 23 and 123	
Date	Regulation
Jan 1 – April 30	Sockeye non-retention
May 1 – Dec 31	Unless otherwise specified, 4 Sockeye per day in Area 23
All year	Sockeye non-retention
Jun 30 – Oct 31	Sockeye non-retention
Jun 30 – Oct 31	Finfish closure
Aug 1 – Sep 30	Finfish closure
May 1 – Sept 30	Finfish closure – Papermill Dam pool, see details below.
May 1 – July 23	2 Sockeye per day – Tidal portion of the Somass River, see details below
July 24 – Sept 30	Finfish closure – Tidal portion of the Somass River, see details below
Oct 1 – Oct 31	Finfish closure – Portions of Subarea 23-1, see details below
Oct 1 – Dec 31	Sockeye non-retention – Tidal portion of the Somass River, see details below
All year	Finfish closure – Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)



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Date	Daily limit	Sockeye Management Measures	Location
Jan 1 – Apr 30	0	Sockeye non-retention	Area 23
All year	0	Sockeye non-retention	Area 123
May 1 – Dec 31	4	4 per day	Area 23, unless specified differently below
May 1 – Sept 30	0	Finfish closure	Paper Mill Dam Pool Closure - That portion of Subarea 23-1 in the tidal portion of the Somass River located near the bottom of the rapids directly upstream of Paper Mill Dam Pool, downstream approximately 225 m to near the top end of the vegetated portion of the unnamed island downstream of Paper Mill Dam Pool and the southern end of Tseshaht Park [square boundary signs may be present to delineate these boundaries].
May 1 – July 23	2	2 per day; Hook restriction - only a single barbless hook may be used Finfish closure, 22:00-05:00 hours daily	Tidal Portion of the Somass River and a Portion of Alberni Harbour - That portion of Subarea 23-1 from the tidal boundary signs at the top of the rapids at Paper Mill Dam on the Somass River downstream to a line commencing in upper Alberni Harbour at 49°14.184'N and 124°50.302'W then through the southernmost point of Hoik Island then to the flashing green light at the mouth of the Somass River, then due east to the opposite shore at 49°14.279'N and 124°48.912'W, [square boundary signs may be present to delineate these boundary locations on the east and west shoreline in the Alberni Harbour].
Jul 24 – Sept 30	0	Finfish closure	
Oct 1 – Dec 31	0	Sockeye non-retention; Hook restriction - only a single barbless hook may be used Finfish closure, 22:00-05:00 hours daily	
Oct 1 – Oct 31	0	Finfish closure	Clutesi Marina Boat Ramp - That portion of Subarea 23-1 in the Somass River from a line drawn perpendicular to the flow of the river to both shore lines which passes through the green can buoy at the entrance to the Clutesi Marina boat ramp then downstream to a line drawn parallel with the power lines in the lower Somass River near the pulp mill.
Oct 1 – Oct 31	0	Finfish closure	Tidal Somass McCoy Pool - That portion of the Somass River, from the upstream entrance to McCoy Pool downstream to the Highway 4 bridge crossing.
Oct 1 – Oct 31	0	Finfish closure	Portion of Alberni Harbour - That portion of Subarea 23-1 in upper Alberni Harbour east of a line drawn from a point located at 49°14.689'N and 124°49.025'W near Lupsi Cupsi Point, to a point located at 49°14.397'N and 124°48.902'W.
Jun 30 – Oct 31	0	Sockeye non-retention	San Mateo Bay and entrance to Alberni Inlet - That portion of Subarea 23-4 east of a line drawn from the light at Chup Point to the light on Assits Island and then to a point on the Vancouver Island shoreline at 48°56.199'N and 125°01.705'W, and that portion of Subarea 23-3 south of a line drawn from the light at Chup Point easterly to Hissin Point at 48°57.453'N and 124°59.325'W [a square boundary sign may be present to delineate the boundary at Hissin Point].
Jun 30 – Oct 31	0	Finfish closure	Uchucklesit / Alberni Inlet - Uchucklesit Alberni Inlet That portion of Subarea 23-2 south of a line drawn from the light at Bilton Point easterly to a point near Coleman Creek at 49°00.341'N and 124°51.513'W, and that portion of Subarea 23-3 north of a line drawn from the light at Chup Point easterly to Hissin Point at 48°57.453'N and 124°59.325'W [square boundary signs may be present to delineate the boundaries at Coleman Creek and Hissin Point].



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Date	Daily limit	Sockeye Management Measures	Location
Aug 1 – Sep 30	0	Finfish closure	<p>Numukamis Bay - That portion of Subarea 23-4 inside a line from a point located at 48°53.045'N and 125°02.860'W near the eastern entrance to Poett Nook Harbour to the light at San Jose Islets, then to a point on Vancouver Island east of the southern tip of Congreve Island located at 48°55.242'N and 125°01.193'W [square boundary signs may be present to delineate the boundaries near Poett Nook Harbour and Congreve Island].</p> <p>Nahmint Bay - That portion of Subarea 23-2 north of line drawn from the Headquarters Bay boat ramp located at approximately 49°02.534'N and 124°50.360'W near Chesnucknuw Creek, westerly to a point on the opposite shore located at 49° 02.417'N and 124° 51.708'W, and south of a line drawn from the light at Hocking Point to a point on the opposite shore located at 49°05.057'N and 124°49.354'W [square boundary signs may be present to delineate the boundaries across from Hocking Point and Chesnucknuw Creek].</p> <p>Toquart Bay - That portion of Subarea 23-10 shoreward of a line from a point on the Vancouver Island shoreline located at 49°01.162'N, 125°21.496'W then to the southern tip of Snowden Island then across to the southern tip of Refuge Island then to a point on the Vancouver Island shoreline located at 49°01.687'N and 125°18.535'W [square boundary signs may be present to delineate the boundaries on the Vancouver Island shoreline].</p>
All year	0	Finfish closure – Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)	<p>Area RCA's: Broken Islands Group; Folger Passage Details can be found at: http://dev-public.rhq.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/maps-cartes/rca-acr/index-eng.html</p>

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