2005/06 Crab Year Vessel IFQ Caps

Use caps and related regulations are found at 50 CFR Part 680, at §680.42
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Crab QS Fishery	Vessel Use Cap % of Harvesting IFQ TAC	2005/06 Harvesting IFQ TAC in Raw Crab Pounds	2005/06 Vessel Use Cap in Raw Crab Pounds
BBR	2%	16,496,100	329,922
BSS	2%	33,465,600	669,312
BST	2%	1,458,000	29,160
PIK	4%	Undetermined	Undetermined
SMB	4%	Undetermined	Undetermined
EAG	20%	2,700,000	540,000
WAG	20%	2,430,000	486,000
WAI	20%	Undetermined	Undetermined

Notes:

BBR = Bristol Bay red king crab   SMB = St. Matthew blue king crab

BSS = Bering Sea snow crab   EAG = Easter Aleutian Islands golden king crab

BST = Bering Sea Tanner crab   WAG = Western Aleutian Islands golden king crab

PIK = Pribilof Island red/blue king crab   WAI = Western Aleutian Islands red king crab

- Vessels used solely to harvest IFQ held by crab cooperatives are exempt from these caps.

- A vessel used to harvest <u>any</u> non-cooperative IFQ is subject to these caps; however, only CVO and CPO ("Owner") IFQ is included in determining whether or not a vessel use cap is met.

- A single person who receives an initial allocation of QS that results in IFQ that is in excess of the vessel use caps (above) may catch and retain crab harvested with the resulting IFQ from a single vessel. But, a single person may still be limited to the cap if some of their IFQ resulted from QS derived from transfers of LLP crab permits after 6/10/2002. The "single person" test is interpreted as whether only a single IFQ holder's crab IFQ permits were fished on a vessel, or more than one IFQ holder's permits were fished on a vessel. An IFQ permit holder with multiple permits who uses hired masters is still counted as one IFQ permit holder and is entitled to the exemption, if that IFQ permit holder's IFQ permits were the only IFQ permits fished on a vessel. Other provisions apply for such situations; see regulations referenced above.

- "Undetermined" means the TAC has not yet been announced by the State of Alaska; therefore, the cap cannot be computed at this time.