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Kitsumkalum Band Members

Food, Social & Ceremonial Fishing Licence Requirements

The Kitsumkalum Band wishes to inform the Kitsumkalum Band Members that the use of the Kitsumkalum Food, Social & Ceremonial Fishing Licence will be mandatory to fish within Traditional Fishing Territory.

From the Powerline Crossing at the Skeena River Bridge located Highway 16 East of Terrace, downstream to the Coast, including Areas 3, 4, 5, 103, 104, & 105.

To be eligible for a FSC Fishing Licence, you must be a Kitsumkalum Band Member or a member through a legal marriage. Common Law Spouse is not eligible to obtain a FSC Fishing Licence,

The FSC Fishing Licence is non transferrable to a non Kitsumkalum Band Member, and the Band Member fishing the licence must be present during fishing times.

Details of the licence are included in the Kitsumkalum Indian Band Food, Social & Ceremonial Rules and Regulations 2010 – 11.

The reason for this change is food fishing has been abused in previous years and popular fishing sites are in a situation of competition for use of fish harvest. These problems have been brought to the attention of Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada and they ask that Kitsumkalum Band gain control of the fishery.

Kitsumkalum is working toward Co- Management and if Kitsumkalum is given the opportunity, we must work with DFO with our rights intact.

Fishing Licenses will be available at the Kitsumkalum Fisheries Office.
Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm.

*This Notification will be posted with the Kitsumkalum Informer News Letter and on the Kitsumkalum Web Page.

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Thank you,
Kitsumkalum Band Council