

## **Hem and Copper River Charters**

### **COVID-19 CLIENT PROTECTIVE PLAN**

The goal of this plan is to keep clients, and the communities that support Hem and Copper River Charters safe and healthy, and to minimize the risk of exposure to COVID-19 during the course of normal business operations. Hem and Copper River Charters relies on the Alaska Health Mandates and Health Alerts, as well as guidance by the State of Alaska, U.S. Center for Disease Control and the U.S. Coast Guard in establishing procedures intended to keep you safe while dipnetting. We also ask that you review the attached Guidelines from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

#### **Dipnet Charter Preparation:**

- **Please plan ahead for your trip.** Shopping for food, beverages, gear, or other items should be done in your home community as much as possible, to limit the opportunity to spread COVID-19 between communities.
- **Bring your own PPE;** hand sanitizer, wipes, gloves and mask, etc. These are not available in Chitina.
- **Bring your own coolers** for the boat and to transport your catch home.
- Cash transactions for all services and tips are still accepted. We prefer payment via our website. We also charge the card on file for your booking to pay for additional services.
- We follow CDC & Life Jacket Association guidelines for sanitizing our life vests however, please feel free, and we encourage you to bring your own US Coast Guard Approved personal flotation device in good repair.
- Whenever possible, limit your trip to only include members of your household or those you've been sheltering in place with.

#### **During Dipnet Charter:**

We can't always maintain social distance while dipping, but we can take other steps while on board:

- Always wear your facemask and gloves at O'Brien Creek and while on board.
- Don't share your net, food, beverages, or clothes with people outside of your household.
- Pack single-serving foods and beverages. We discourage sharing foods or beverages from a container (e.g., bag of chips, jerky, shared water bottle, etc.).
- Stay in assigned locations on the deck and limit moving around unnecessarily.

#### **After your Dipnet Charter:**

- We sanitize the boat and our dipnet gear after each charter.
- If you pack it in, pack it out! Please help keep us safe by putting your trash in your carry-on after your trip.
- If you will be processing your catch at the beach, please be prepared to continue wearing your mask and gloves, social distancing, and please follow the directions of the fish cleaner. The cleaning tables will be sanitized at least daily with a CDC approved bleach solution.
- Let us know if you or anyone in your party becomes ill within 48 hours of your trip with us.