#### Check out some additional resources:



Oceans Protection Plan http://www.canada.ca/protecting-our-coasts



Protecting Canada's Endangered Whales https://www.tc.gc.ca/en/campaigns/working-together/protecting-endangered-whales.html



Transport Canada's Interim Order (detailed information) http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/mediaroom/interim-order-protection-killer-whales-waters-southern-british-columbia.html



Transport Canada's Interim Order (Questions and Answers, and maps) https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/mediaroom/ frequently-asked-questions-io-protectionkiller-whales-waters-souther-britishcolumbia.html



Vancouver Fraser Port Authority's ECHO Program http://www.portvancouver.com/echo



Fisheries and Oceans Canada http://dfo-mpo.gc.ca/campaign-campagne/ protectingwhales-protegerbaleines/indexeng.html



Be Whale Wise Bewhalewise.org



Report violators to Fisheries and Oceans Canada: 1-800-465-4336



If you have any questions about the Interim Order, please contact Transport Canada at: TC.SRKW-ERS.TC@tc.gc.ca



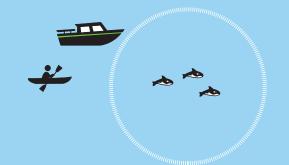
If you have any questions about fishery closures or boating around whales, please contact Fisheries and Oceans Canada at:

DFO.SRKW-ERS.MPO@dfo-mpo.gc.ca

### **KEEP 400 METRES AWAY**

When you see any killer whales. It's the law!

(around 4 football fields



## **AVOID WHALE SANCTUARY**

No fishing or boating around Swiftsure Bank, east coast of Saturna Island and south-west of North Pender Island. It's the law!



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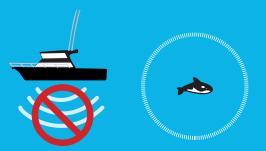
# REDUCE SPEED & AVOID FISHING

Reduce your speed to less than 7 knots and avoid fishing when you're within 1,000 metres of a killer whale.



## **REDUCE VESSEL NOISE**

Turn off echo sounders when not in use, and engines to neutral idle when within approach distance of a killer whale.





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# Boating Around Killer Whales South Coast of BC • 2019



Boaters need to be aware when boating around killer whales. Always slow down when killer whales are near, if safe to do so.

#### Rules that apply year-round:

• **Keep 200 metres away** from all killer whale populations in B.C. and the Pacific Ocean.

#### Rules from June 1 until October 31 in critical habitat:

- Keep 400 metres away when you see any killer whales.
- No fishing or boating around certain sections of Swiftsure Bank, off the east coast of Saturna Island and south-west of North Pender Island.

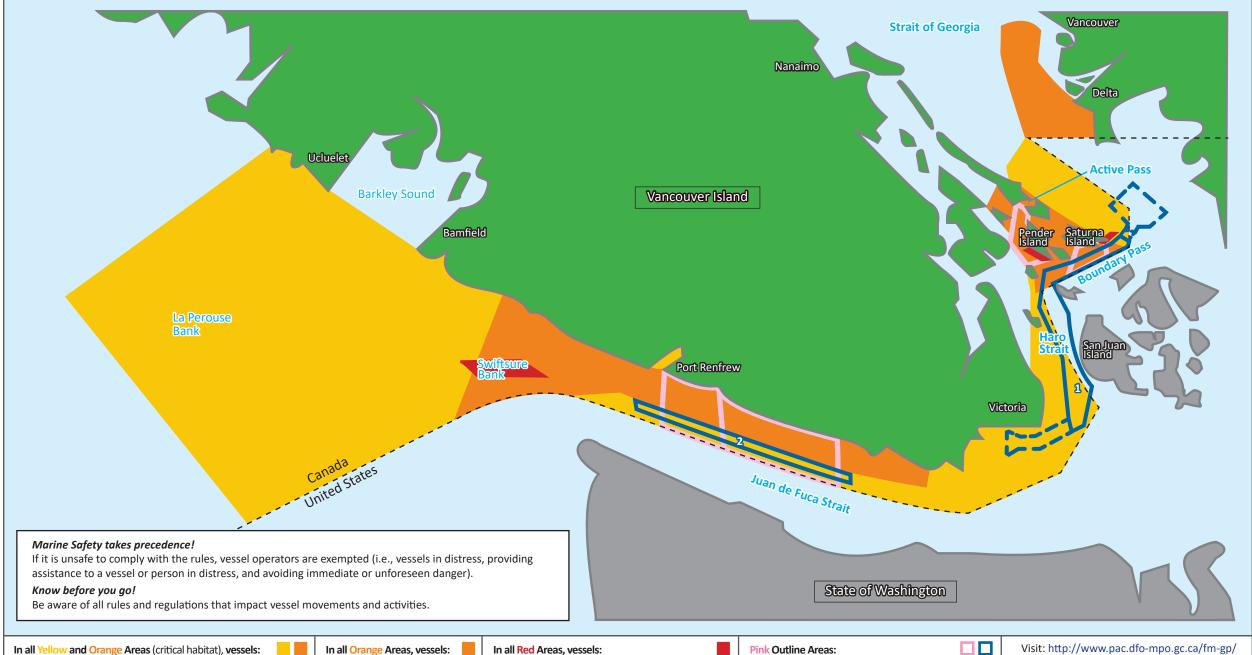
#### Additional ways you can help:

- Go Slow! Reduce your speed to less than 7 knots and avoid fishing when you're within 1,000 metres of a killer whale. Areas to be aware of include Gulf Islands, the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the Mouth of the Fraser River.
- Reduce noise from boats by turning off your echo sounders when not in use, and engines to neutral idle when within 400 metres of a killer whale.

Please help protect Southern Resident Killer Whales! They live in the southern coast of British Columbia and are endangered.



# Map of South Coast of Vancouver Island, British Columbia



In all Yellow and Orange Areas (critical habitat), vessels:

- Must keep 400 m away except for vessels in transit. Some whale watching operators can view non-Southern Resident Killer Whales up to 200 m if they meet specific conditions
- Should turn off echo sounders when not in use
- Should turn engine to neutral idle when within 400 m of a whale

#### In all Orange Areas, vessels:

- Should avoid fishing within 1000 m of killer whales
- Should go slow (7 knots or less) within 1000 m of killer whales

#### In all Red Areas, vessels:

 Must avoid Interim Sanctuary Zones (Accessing a residence or business on N. Pender or Saturna Island; vessel/person fishing for FSC or domestic purposes pursuant to a treaty; Indigenous persons exercising an existing right, other than for fishing for non-commercial purposes, are exempt)

#### **Pink Outline Areas:**

• Fishery closures for recreational and commercial salmon (August 1-October 31)

Blue Outline Areas (coordinated by ECHO Program) (Large Commercial Vessel Measures - Voluntary)

- 1. Haro Strait and Boundary Pass vessel slowdown trial
- 2. Strait of Juan de Fuca inshore lateral displacement trial

Visit: http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/ maps-cartes/srkw-ers/index-eng.html or use QR Code to view detailed maps online

