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crab IFQ permit holders or Crab IFQ Hired Masters aboard that vessel.

(f) *IPQ*. Use IPQ as collateral or otherwise leverage IPQ to acquire an ownership interest in Class B IFQ.

(g) *General*. (1) Possess, buy, sell, or transport any crab harvested or landed in violation of any provision of this part.

(2) Violate any other provision under this part.

(h) *Inseason action*. Conduct any fishing contrary to notification of inseason action closure, or adjustment issued under § 680.22.

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§ 680.8 Facilitation of enforcement.

See § 600.730 of this chapter.

§ 680.9 Penalties.

(a) Any person committing, or a fishing vessel used in the commission of, a violation of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, or any regulation issued under the Magnuson-Stevens Act, is subject to the civil and criminal penalty provisions, permit sanctions, and civil forfeiture provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, to part 600 of this chapter, to 15 CFR part 904 (Civil Procedures), and to other applicable law. Penalties include but are not limited to permanent or temporary sanctions to PQS, QS, IPQ, IFQ, Crab IFQ hired master, Federal crab vessel permit, or RCR permits.

(b) In the event a holder of any IPQ is found by a court of competent jurisdiction, either in an original action in that court or in a proceeding to enforce or review the findings or orders of any Government agency having jurisdiction under the antitrust laws, to have violated any of the provisions of antitrust laws in the conduct of the licensed activity, the Secretary of Commerce may revoke all or a portion of such IPQ. The antitrust laws of the United States include, but are not limited to, the following Acts:

- (1) The Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. 1-7;
- (2) The Wilson Tariff Act, 15 U.S.C. 8-11;
- (3) The Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 12-27; and

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(4) The Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. 12 and 45(a).

Subpart B—Management Measures

§ 680.20 Arbitration System.

(a) *Applicability*—(1) *Arbitration System*. All CVO QS, Arbitration IFQ, Class A IFQ holders, PQS and IPQ holders must enter the contracts as prescribed in this section that establish the Arbitration System. Certain parts of the Arbitration System are voluntary for some parties, as specified in this section. All contract provisions will be enforced by parties to those contracts.

(2) *Open negotiation*. Any holder of uncommitted IFQ may negotiate with any holder of uncommitted IPQ, the price and delivery terms for that season or for future seasons for any uncommitted IFQ and uncommitted IPQ. Uncommitted IFQ holders and uncommitted IPQ holders may freely contact each other and initiate open negotiations.

(b) *Eligibility for Arbitration System*—(1) *Arbitration Organization*. The following persons are the only persons eligible to join an Arbitration Organization:

- (i) Holders of CVO QS,
- (ii) Holders of PQS,
- (iii) Holders of Arbitration IFQ,
- (iv) Holders of Class A IFQ affiliated with a PQS or IPQ holder, and
- (v) Holders of IPQ.

(2) *Persons eligible to use negotiation and Binding Arbitration procedures*. The following persons are the only persons eligible to enter contracts with a Contract Arbitrator to use the negotiation and Binding Arbitration procedures described in paragraph (h) of this section to resolve price and delivery disputes or negotiate remaining contract terms not previously agreed to by IFQ and IPQ holders under other negotiation approaches:

- (i) Holders of Arbitration IFQ, and
 - (ii) Holders of IPQ.
- (3) *Persons ineligible to use negotiation and Binding Arbitration procedures*. Holders of IFQ that are affiliated with holders of PQS or IPQ are ineligible to