

Basis of Eligibility for the Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Moratorium

This form is to accompany the "Federal Permit Application for Vessels Fishing in the Gulf of Mexico and/or South Atlantic EEZ for Shrimp" for applicants applying for the initial issuance of Gulf of Mexico Shrimp moratorium permits.

I am eligible for the Gulf of Mexico moratorium Shrimp Permit because:

- 1 The vessel I own (listed in Section 1 of the accompanying application) was issued an open access Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Permit on or before December 6, 2003.

OR

- 2 I owned a vessel that was issued an open access Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Permit on or before December 6, 2003, and prior to [insert date of final rule publication] I owned a different vessel which (1) was issued an open access Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Permit, (2) is/was equipped for offshore shrimp fishing, and (3) is at least 5 net tons and is Coast Guard documented, and (4) is the same vessel for which the commercial vessel moratorium permit is being applied (as listed in Section 1 of the accompanying application). Complete parts A and B below.

- A) Provide the Coast Guard documentation number or the state registration number for the vessel that you owned or leased on or before December 6, 2003 which was issued an open access Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Permit on or before December 6, 2003.

- B) Which of the following gear is aboard the vessel for which you are applying for a Gulf shrimp moratorium permit now (as listed in Section 1 of the accompanying application)? Check all that apply:

- Otter Trawl Skimmer Net Wing Net Beam Trawl Roller Frame
 Butterfly Net Cast Net

Note

An applicant who believes he/she meets either permit eligibility criteria based on ownership of a vessel or vessels under a different name, e.g., as may have occurred when ownership has changed from individual to corporate or vice versa, must document his/her continuity of ownership.