

**APPLICATION FOR  
 FEDERAL PROCESSOR PERMIT (FPP)**

United States Department of Commerce  
 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
 National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)  
 Restricted Access Management (RAM)  
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**NOTICE: Only persons who are U.S. Citizens are authorized to receive or hold a Federal Processor Permit.**

Indicate whether this application is for a Shoreside Processor Permit or a Stationary Floating Processing (SFP) Permit

Shoreside Processor                       Stationary Floating Processor (SFP)

**IMPORTANT ATTACHMENT!** A copy of the *U.S. Coast Guard Abstract of Title or Certificate of Documentation* **must be included** with this application if ownership of the vessel used as a stationary floating processor listed in Block B has changed or if a FPP has never been issued using this vessel.

Indicate the type of request.

New FPP       FPP Renewal       Amended FPP       Surrendered FPP

If this application is submitted to renew, amend, or surrender an existing FPP

Please provide your current FPP number \_\_\_\_\_

If you are amending your permit, enter the permit number where indicated and fill out all blocks relevant to your processor and activities. Failure to complete all relevant blocks can result in improper permitting.

**BLOCK A -- OWNER INFORMATION**

1. Name of Owner(s)		2. NMFS Person ID	
3. Permanent Business Mailing Address		4. Temporary Business Mailing Address	
5. Business Telephone No.	6. Business Fax No.	7. Business E-Mail Address	
8. Managing Company Name (if any)			

**BLOCK B -- STATIONARY FLOATING PROCESSOR (SFP) INFORMATION**

1. Name of SFP		2. Is this a vessel of the United States?  [ ] YES [ ] NO	
3. USCG Documentation No.	4. ADF&G Vessel Registration No.	5. ADF&G Processor Code	
6. Length Overall (LOA) in feet  Registered Length in feet	7. Gross Tonnage  Net Tonnage	8. Shaft Horsepower	
9. Homeport of Vessel (city and state)			
<p><b>10. GOA Inshore Processing Endorsement.</b></p> <p>An SFP that wishes to receive a Gulf of Alaska (GOA) inshore processing endorsement must check the box below.</p> <p>[ ] GOA Inshore Processing Endorsement</p> <p>A GOA inshore processing endorsement is required in order to process GOA inshore pollock and GOA inshore Pacific cod. An SFP that holds an inshore processing endorsement is prohibited from processing GOA pollock and GOA Pacific cod in more than one single geographic location during a fishing year and is also prohibited from operating as a catcher/processor in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area (BSAI).</p> <p><b>Once issued, a GOA inshore processing endorsement cannot be rescinded for the duration of a fishing year.</b> (See instructions for further explanation.)</p>			

**BLOCK C -- SHORESIDE PROCESSOR INFORMATION**

1. Name		2. ADF&G Processor Code	
3. Business Address [ ] Permanent [ ] Temporary			
4. Physical location of plant		5. Is this shoreside processor replacing a previous processor at this facility?  [ ] YES [ ] NO If YES, name of previous processor	
6. Are there multiple processing businesses using this facility?  [ ] YES [ ] NO		7. Does the owner named in Block A, above, own the plant named in Block C, question 1, above?  [ ] YES [ ] NO	
8. Business Telephone No.	9. Business Fax No.	10. Business E-Mail Address	

**BLOCK D -- APPLICANT SIGNATURE**

Under penalties of perjury, I hereby declare that I, the undersigned, completed this application, and the information contained herein is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Applicant Name (please print or type)	Signature	Date
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**PUBLIC REPORTING BURDEN STATEMENT**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 21 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing the instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service, Alaska Region, Attn: Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Before completing this form please note the following: 1) The NMFS may not conduct or sponsor this information request, and you are not required to respond to this information request, unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number; 2) This information is mandatory and is required to manage commercial fishing effort in the GOA and BSAI under 50 CFR 679 and under 402(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801, *et seq.*); 3) Responses to this information request are confidential under section 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act as amended in 2006. It is also confidential under NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, which sets forth procedures to protect confidentiality of fishery statistics.

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Instructions  
**APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL PROCESSOR PERMIT (FPP)**

**Federal Processor Permits** are required for a shoreside processor or stationary floating processor (SFP) (see 50 CFR 679.4).

**Processing or to process** means the preparation of, or to prepare, fish or crab to render it suitable for human consumption, industrial uses, or long-term storage, including but not limited to cooking, canning, smoking, salting, drying, freezing, or rendering into meal or oil, but does not mean icing, bleeding, heading, or gutting specifications under (see 50 CFR 679.2).

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Note: It is important that all blocks are completed and all necessary documents are attached. Failure to answer any of the questions, provide attachments, or to sign the application could result in delays in the processing of your application.**

- ◆ Complete a separate application for each processor. Application forms and instructions are also available on the NMFS, Alaska Region web site at [www.fakr.noaa.gov/ram](http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/ram).
- ◆ A copy of the U.S. Coast Guard Abstract of Title or Certificate of Documentation must be included with this application if ownership of the vessel used as an SFP listed in Block B has changed or if a Federal Processor Permit has never been issued using this vessel.
- ◆ Type or print legibly in ink.
- ◆ Retain a copy of the completed application for your records.

Mail the completed application to: NMFS, Alaska Region  
Restricted Access Management (RAM) Program  
P.O. Box 21668  
Juneau, AK 99802

Or deliver to: Federal Building  
709 W. 9th Street, Suite 713  
Juneau, AK 99801

Or fax to: 907-586-7354

View our website [www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov](http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov);

Applications can be faxed to RAM; however, permits cannot and will not be faxed back.

If you have questions about these permits, please call RAM toll free at 800-304-4846 (select option 2) or 907-586-7202 (select option 2) or e-mail your questions to [RAM.Alaska@noaa.gov](mailto:RAM.Alaska@noaa.gov).

### SPECIAL HANDLING OF PERMITS

**Please allow at least ten working days for your application to be processed. Do not wait until right before an opening to apply for your permit**, as you may not receive it on time. Items will be sent by first class mail, unless you provide alternate instructions

- ◆ for NMFS to fax a copy of your amended permit
- ◆ for NMFS to send by a faster method than regular mail.

### eLANDINGS

All shoreside processors and SFPs that are issued an FPP under 50 CFR part 679.4(f) must use eLandings or other NMFS-approved software to daily record and report groundfish. For more information on eLandings, see <http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/elandings/faq.htm#ecr>.

### COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

Indicate the type of request: New FPP, FPP Renewal, Amended FPP, or Surrendered FPP. If this application is submitted to renew, amend, or surrender an existing FPP, please provide your current FPP number.

### BLOCK A -- OWNER INFORMATION

1. Enter the full name of the owner of the vessel used for the SFP listed in Block B or the owner of the shoreside processor listed in Block C.

**Attachment:** Attach a copy of the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) *Abstract of Title* or *Certificate of Documentation* if ownership of the vessel used as a SFP listed in Block B has changed or if an FPP has never been issued using this vessel.

**Note:** If there is more than one owner, list the principal owner first. The permit will be issued to the first owner listed, with an *et al.* notation. The permit will be issued to the owner of the SFP or shoreside processor, not to operators or lessees.

2. Enter your complete **permanent** business mailing address, including street or P.O. Box number, state, and zip code. Your permit will be sent to this address. If you want the permit sent to somewhere other than to the permanent address, indicate temporary address and include street or P.O. Box number, city, state, and zip code.
3. Enter NMFS person ID.
- 4-6. Enter the business telephone number and business fax number, including area code, and business e-mail address. It is very important that you provide a number where we can contact you, or where we can leave messages for you. If questions arise concerning your application, and we are unable to contact you, issuance of your permit will be delayed.
7. Enter the name of the company, if other than the owner, that manages the operations of the SFP or shoreside processor.

## **BLOCK B -- STATIONARY FLOATING PROCESSOR (SFP) INFORMATION**

Complete this block if you are requesting an FPP for an SFP.

1. Enter the complete vessel name as displayed in the official documentation.
2. Check whether or not the vessel is a vessel of the United States.
3. Enter the USCG documentation number (example: 566722).
4. Enter the 5-digit State of Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G) vessel registration number (example: 51233).
5. Enter the ADF&G Processor Code.
6. Enter the vessel's length overall (LOA) in feet and registered length in feet.

The **LOA** of a vessel means the centerline longitudinal distance, rounded to the nearest foot, measured between: (1) the outside foremost part of the vessel visible above the waterline, including bulwarks, but excluding bowsprits and similar fittings or attachments, and (2) the outside aftermost part of the vessel visible above the waterline including bulwarks, but excluding rudders, outboard motor brackets, and similar fittings or attachments (50 CFR 679.2).

7. Enter registered gross tonnage (U.S. tons) and net tonnage (U.S. tons) as stated in the official documentation.
8. Enter the shaft horsepower.
9. Enter the home port (city and state) as recorded in the official documentation.
10. GOA Inshore Processing Endorsement.

**GOA Inshore Processing Endorsement.** Stationary floating processors that wish to receive GOA inshore processing endorsements must complete No. 9 of Block B on the application. A GOA inshore processing endorsement is required in order to process GOA inshore Pacific cod and GOA inshore pollock. Stationary floating processors that hold an inshore processing endorsement are prohibited from processing GOA pollock and GOA Pacific cod in more than one single geographic location during a fishing year and are also prohibited from operating as a catcher/processor in the BSAI. Vessels holding the GOA inshore processing endorsement face additional operating restrictions (see 50 CFR 679.7).

**Once issued, a GOA inshore processing endorsement cannot be rescinded for the duration of a fishing year.** It may be changed for the next fishing year by submitting an application for permit amendment prior to the beginning of that fishing year.

For more information on the inshore/offshore regulations, contact Sustainable Fisheries Division toll free at 800-304-4846 (select option #3) or 907-586-7228.

## **BLOCK C -- SHORESIDE PROCESSOR INFORMATION**

Complete this block if you are requesting an FPP for a shoreside processor.

1. Enter the name of the shoreside processor.

2. Enter the business address including street or P.O. box number, city, state, and zip code. Indicate whether this is a permanent or temporary address.
3. Enter the physical location where the plant, at which the owner of shoreside processor in Block A, question 1, is operating. **DO NOT USE POST OFFICE BOX NUMBERS.**
4. Indicate if this processor is replacing a previous processing business at this facility.
5. Indicate if there are multiple processing businesses using this facility. If YES, list the names of those other processing businesses.
6. Indicate if the applicant in Block A owns the plant at which the shoreside processor listed in Block C, question 3, is operating.
7. Enter the ADF&G Processor Code.
- 8-10. Enter the business telephone number and business fax number, including area code, and business e-mail address. It is very important that you provide a number where we can contact you, or where we can leave messages for you. If questions arise concerning your application, and we are unable to contact you, issuance of your permit will be delayed.

#### **BLOCK D -- APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE**

The applicant must enter printed name, sign and date the application certifying that all information is true, correct, and complete to the best of his or her knowledge and belief. The application will be considered incomplete without this signature.