

**Reef Fish - Observer FAX Notification Form**

**This form is provided for your response.** Please complete and return this form at least 48 hours prior to your estimated departure. Fax to (409-766-3489) **ATTN: MIKE HARRELSON and/or PAT CRYER.** If the vessel is not fishing or is involved in another fishery during the selection period, please state in the comment section of this form which fishery and the gear to be used.

Captain's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Vessel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Documentation/Vessel Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Overall Length: \_\_\_\_\_ (ft) Crew Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (include skipper)

Bunk Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ Life Raft Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person/Telephone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Communication Equipment</b> (please list)	<b>Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety Examination Decal</b>
Cellular / SAT phone:	Serial Number:
VHF:	Date Issued
Single Side Band:	_____/_____ Month Year
Call sign:	

**Port of Departure:** Dock Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_-

Departure Date: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_ Time: \_\_:\_\_(AM or PM) Anticipated Landing Date: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Expected Landing Port:** (if different from port of departure) Dock Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_- \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Language: (if other than English) \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

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