

United States Department of Commerce
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
National Marine Fisheries Service
Northeast Region
55 Great Republic Drive
Gloucester, MA 01930

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Dear Federal Northeast Seafood Dealer Permit Applicant:

Enclosed is a Federal Northeast Seafood Dealer Permit Application for permit year 2011 (January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011). Species that require a Federal Northeast seafood dealer permit (NE dealer permit) are listed on the reverse side of this letter. All dealers of species covered under a Federal Fisheries Management Plan (FMP) or dealers purchasing from vessels permitted in the NE region, must have been issued and have in their possession, a valid NE dealer permit for that species. All dealers must submit to NOAA Fisheries Service (NMFS) trip-level electronic reports of all lobster, shellfish, and fish purchased or received, with the exception of dealers holding only a NE dealer permit for Atlantic tunas. Go to: <a href="http://www.nero.noaa.gov/dealer\_er/">http://www.nero.noaa.gov/dealer\_er/</a> for important information on reporting requirements.

**Notice to American lobster dealers:** All federally permitted lobster-only dealers are required to provide NMFS with trip-level electronic reports on a weekly basis of all lobster and fish purchased or received for a commercial purpose. For questions on the Federal lobster dealer reporting requirements, contact Scott McNamara at (207) 780-3322 or by email at scott.mcnamara@noaa.gov.

Dealers who purchase Highly Migratory Species (HMS), specifically Atlantic bigeye, albacore, yellowfin, and skipjack (BAYS) tunas, Atlantic sharks, and/or Atlantic swordfish, must report these species electronically if permits for NE species requiring electronic reporting are also held. If dealers do not have NE dealer permits, reports for HMS should be submitted to the local port agent or call John Mahoney at (508) 984-0063 if you have any questions. Atlantic tuna dealers who purchase or receive domestic bluefin tuna have separate reporting requirements. Call (978) 281-9140 if you have questions regarding bluefin tuna reporting.

| <b>Existing dealers</b> (Part 1, below) - If you already have a NE dealer permit, enclosed is a pre-printed application.   |
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| <b>New dealers</b> (Part 2, reverse side) – If you are a new seafood dealer and have not been issued a NE dealer permit previously, an initial NE dealer permit application is enclosed. |
| Federally regulated species (Part 3, reverse side) – A list of species that require a NE dealer permit.  |

## Part 1

#### Information for existing dealers on renewing permits

To renew your NE dealer permit or to make a change to your existing NE dealer permits you must submit a complete application to the Northeast Permit Office. All required reports for all transactions must be received and accepted by NMFS before your permit will be issued. Enclosed is a pre-printed application which is based on the most recent NE dealer permits issued to you.

- ❖ To add a fishery not currently held, mark an "X" next to the desired fishery permit on the application.
- To cancel a fishery which you currently hold, write "cancel" next to <u>each</u> fishery permit that you wish to cancel.

Instructions for completing the NE dealer permit renewal application are enclosed. In most cases, the answers to commonly asked application questions can be found in these instructions.

## **Application requirements**

You must submit a complete and accurate application. All required receipt, purchase, and Processed Products reports must be received and accepted by NMFS before we can issue you a NE dealer permit. NMFS will notify you by mail if your application is not complete and/or required reports have not been received.

# Part 2

### Information for new dealers (initial applications)

To apply for NE dealer permits you must submit an initial application to the Northeast Permit Office. Enclosed is an initial NE dealer permit application along with detailed instructions for completing the application. In most cases, the answers to commonly asked application questions can be found in these instructions. For information on Federal dealer permits for the South Atlantic and Gulf (including sharks and swordfish), call (727) 824-5326.

#### **Application requirements**

You must submit a complete and accurate application before we can issue you a NE dealer permit. We will notify you by mail if your application is not complete.

| Part 3                     | st of regulated species requiring a NE dealer permit |                      |  |
|----------------------------|--|----------------------|--|
| American lobster           | Northeast Multispecies continued -                   | NE Skate continued - |  |
| Atlantic bluefish          | Atlantic Cod   | Clearnose skate      |  |
| Atlantic deep-sea red crab | Atlantic halibut                                     | Little skate         |  |
| Atlantic herring           | Haddock  | Rosette skate        |  |
| Atlantic mackerel          | Offshore hake  | Smooth skate         |  |
| Atlantic sea scallop       | Ocean Pout   | Thorny skate         |  |
| Atlantic tunas -           | Pollock  | Winter skate         |  |
| Atlantic bluefin tuna      | Redfish (ocean perch)                                | Squids -             |  |
| Albacore tuna              | Red hake (ling)                                      | <i>Illex</i> squid   |  |
| Bigeye tuna                | Silver hake (whiting)                                | <i>Loligo</i> squid  |  |
| Skipjack tuna              | White hake   | Ocean quahog         |  |
| Yellowfin tuna             | Windowpane flounder (sand dab)                       | Scup                 |  |
| Black sea bass             | Winter flounder (blackback)                          | Spiny dogfish        |  |
| Butterfish                 | Witch flounder (grey sole)                           | Summer flounder      |  |
| Monkfish                   | Yellowtail flounder                                  | Surfclam             |  |
| Northeast Multispecies -   | Northeast Skate complex                              | Tilefish             |  |
| American plaice (dab)      | Barndoor skate                                       | Atlantic Hagfish     |  |

**Highly Migratory Species (HMS) International Trade Permit (ITP):** Dealers that trade bluefin tuna, swordfish, southern bluefin tuna, or frozen bigeye tuna internationally are required to obtain an HMS ITP. Information on the HMS ITP can be found at: <a href="https://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/ITP/index.htm">www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/ITP/index.htm</a> or by calling (727) 824-5326.

Follow the instructions carefully. Failure to meet all of the requirements of the application will delay the issuance of your permit. If you have further questions regarding your dealer application, contact the Northeast Permit Office at 978-282-8438.

Sincerely,

Ted Hawes, Operations Manager Northeast Region Permit Office

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#### **National Marine Fisheries Service**

Northeast Regional Office / Fisheries Statistics Office



# **Application Instructions Federal Fisheries Dealer Permit**

Mail completed application packages to: NOAA Fisheries Service (NMFS), Northeast Permit Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. **Note:** There is a 30-day processing period for all application packages. This 30-day processing period begins when a **correct and complete** application package has been received by the Northeast Permit Office and all required reports have been submitted and accepted by NMFS. Failure to provide the required information will delay processing of your dealer permit.

For further information, call the Northeast Permit Office at (978) 282-8438

#### Section 1 - Dealer Information

If you already have a NE dealer permit, enclosed is a pre-printed application, which is partially completed for you.

If you are a new seafood dealer and have not been issued a NE dealer permit previously, an initial NE dealer permit application is enclosed.

If you are applying for an Atlantic Mackerel or Atlantic Herring at Sea Processor permit, you must enter a vessel name and hull number where indicated and include a copy of the vessel's current Coast Guard Documentation or State Registration.

Before submitting your application, review the dealer information placed in Section 1 to ensure it is correct. Make any corrections on the lines provided. It is important to include your Southeast Dealer Permit Number in Section 1 if you have been issued a dealer permit by the Southeast Region of NMFS.

#### Section 1A - Additional Dealer Information

If your company or business purchases or receives regulated species at more than one location, each address must be listed on the application. Space is available on the back of the dealer permit application form for the required listing of additional addresses. You do not need a separate dealer number for the additional locations as long as the businesses at these locations are all the same business entity.

## Section 2 - Selected Fisheries

If not already marked, place an 'X' next to each of the fisheries for which you are requesting a Federal Fisheries Dealer Permit. **Please note:** If you are issued any of the Northeast dealer permits on this application, with the exception of the Atlantic tunas permits, you must provide NMFS with weekly, trip-level electronic reports of all lobster, shellfish, and fish purchased or received for a commercial purpose.

#### Section 3 – Applicant's Signature

Before mailing, carefully review the application form for accuracy and completeness. Sign and date the application in Section 3 and return it to the address listed above.



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# Corporations, Partnerships and Sole Proprietorships



# Failure to provide the applicable information below WILL DELAY processing of your application.

# Corporations

All dealer corporations and LLCs submitting an **initial application** package must submit the following documentation with the initial application:



A copy of the certificate of incorporation listing the names and addresses of all officers and shareholders of the corporation / LLC.

All dealer corporations and LLCs submitting a renewal application package must submit the following documentation with the renewal application:



> A list of the names and addresses of all officers and shareholders of the corporation / LLC.

### **Partnerships**

Il dealer partnerships submitting an initial application package must submit the following documentation with the initial application:



A copy of the Partnership Agreement.

All dealer partnerships submitting a renewal application package must submit the following documentation with the renewal application:



A list of the names and addresses of all current partners.

#### **Sole Proprietorships**

All dealer applicants who will be operating under a sole proprietorship must submit the following documentation with your initial application only:



A statement in writing that you are operating under a sole proprietorship and that the business is not owned by a corporation, LLC, or a partnership.

### **Dealer Reports**

An application is complete when all requested forms, information, and documentation have been received, and the applicant has submitted all applicable reports specified in the Federal regulations including dealer electronic weighout reports and processed products reports [CFR § 648.7, § 622.5 and § 635.5].

Failure to submit the reports required under either CFR § 648.7, § 622.5 and § 635.5 may bar issuance of any Northeast dealer permit [CFR § 648.6]. If you have any questions concerning your compliance with the reporting regulations for Northeast managed species, please contact your local NMFS Field Office (list enclosed). Questions concerning reporting for bluefin tuna [CFR § 635.5], should be directed to the Highly Migratory Species Office at (978) 281-9140.

Be aware: The Fisheries Statistics Office may report dealers to the NOAA Fisheries Service Office of Law Enforcement for failure to submit all reports or for failure to report in a timely fashion. Activities that do not comply with the provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Act may subject the violator to fines and/or permit sanctions.

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# National Marine Fisheries Service Northeast Regional Office / Fisheries Statistics Office



# Review Checklist Dealer Permit Application

### **IMPORTANT: READ BEFORE CONTINUING**

Please review the information below to ensure that your application contains all of the proper documentation needed to process your dealer permit application.

Failure to include this information with your application WILL DELAY processing of your application.

- 1. Review your address and contact information make any necessary changes on your application.
- 2. Check the dealer permits you have selected do they represent the type of fish and shellfish you buy?
- 3. If you conduct business under the same company name in more than one location, list the addresses of those locations on back of application.
- 4. Sign and date your application.
- 5. Include the names of officers, shareholders, or partners in your corporation, LLC, or partnership (see application instructions for additional information).
- 6. If you are a Sole Proprietorship, include operating statement once with initial application.

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# Federal Northeast Seafood Dealer Initial Dealer Permit Application

|   | SECTION 1 - DEALER INFORMATION   | All oc      | orporations, LLCs,                        |
|---|--|-------------|---|
|   | Southeast Dealer # (if available)  | and p       | partnerships must de a copy of the        |
|   | Company name:  | Certif      | Ficate of Incor-                          |
|   | Owner's Name:  | name        | es of all partners,<br>ers, and/or share- |
|   | Mailing Address:   | holde       | ers in the company.<br>Te to provide this |
|   | City: State : Zip Code:  | inforr      | mation WILL DELAY rocessing of your       |
|   | Telephone: Fax Number:   | applio      | cation.                                   |
|   | **Vessel Name: **Vessel Hull Number:<br>** (if you are applying for an Atlantic Mackerel at Sea Processor permit   | or an Atla  |   |
|   | Sea Processor permit, you must enter a vessel name and hull number a<br>of the vessel's current Coast Guard Documentation or State Registrat                               |             | include a copy                            |
|   | If regulated species are purchased or received for commercial purposes at more than address must be listed. List those additional addresses on the back of this form in Se |             | of business, each                         |
|   | SECTION 2 - FISHERIES  |             |   |
|   | Select the fisheries desired by placing an (X) in the boxes provided. Select all fisheri   | es that app | ly.                                       |
|   | Atlantic bluefin tuna Northeast multispecies   |             | Scup                                      |
| 7 | Other Atlantic Tunas American lobster (Yellowfin, Bigeye, Skipjack,  |             | Black sea bass                            |
|   | Albacore) Skate  |             | Monkfish                                  |
|   | Surfclam/Ocean quahog - Dealer **Atlantic mackerel at sea processor  |             | Atlantic bluefish                         |
|   | Surfclam/Ocean quahog - Processor Squid, Atlantic mackerel, butterfi   | sh          | Spiny Dogfish                             |
|   | Summer flounder Atlantic herring - Dealer  |             | Tilefish                                  |
|   | Atlantic sea scallop **Atlantic herring At Sea Process   | sor         | Atlantic Deep-<br>sea Red Crab            |
|   | Atlantic Hagfish ** (see note in Section 1)  |             |   |
|   | SECTION 3 - OWNER'S NAME AND SIGNATURE   |             |   |
|   | I affirm, subject to the penalties provided in 18 USC 1001, that all information I have permit is true and correct.  | given in ol | btaining this                             |
|   | Print Name:  |             |   |
|   | Signaturo: Dato:   |             |   |

**SECTION 1A** - ADDITIONAL DEALER INFORMATION. If regulated species are purchased or received for commercial purposes at more than one place of business, each address must be listed below.

| Company Address |        |      |  |
|-----------------|--------|------|--|
| Street:         |        |      |  |
| City:           | State: | Zip: |  |
| Telephone:      |        |      |  |
| Company Address |        |      |  |
| Street:         |        |      |  |
| City:           | State: | Zip: |  |
| Telephone:      |        |      |  |
| Company Address |        |      |  |
| Street:         |        |      |  |
| City:           | State: | Zip: |  |
| Telephone:      |        |      |  |
| Company Address |        |      |  |
| Street:         |        |      |  |
| City:           | State: | Zip: |  |
| Telephone:      |        |      |  |

#### For further information, call Northeast Permits Operations at (978) 281-9370

Owner name, business officers and members, address, phone number, fax number, and permit information may be released via a NOAA Fisheries website. All other data submitted will be handled as confidential material in accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, Protection of Confidential Fishery Statistics.

The Paperwork Reduction Act requires potential respondents for a dealer/processor permit be notified of certain information regarding their rights and the burden associated with applying for a Federal dealer/processor permit. One of the regulatory steps taken by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to carry out conservation and management objectives is the requirement of a permit for users of the resources. All the fisheries included on this application require a permit to purchase, or otherwise receive for transport for a commercial purpose, other than solely for transport on land, species harvested by the owner or operator of a fishing vessel issued a Federal fisheries permit for these species. Section 303(b)(1) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSFCMA) specifically recognizes the need for permit issuance.

The purpose and use of permits is to: (1) register fish dealers and processor, (2) list the characteristics of dealer/processor operations, (3) exercise influence over compliance (e.g. withhold issuance pending collection of unpaid penalties and / or required reports), (4) provide a mailing list for the dissemination of important information to the industry, (5) provide a universe for data collection samples, and (6) obtain first purchase information on landings to evaluate the biological, economic and social implications of management measures.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining data needed, and completing and reviewing the information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or suggestions for reducing this burden to: National Marine Fisheries Service, Permit Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2276.



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