



**Application
for a Community Quota Entity
(CQE) to Receive a Non-trawl
Groundfish LLP License**

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National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)
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BLOCK A - IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

1. Name of Non-Profit (CQE) Organization:	2. Name of CQE Contact Person:	3. CQE NMFS Person ID:
4. Name of Community on whose behalf the CQE is applying for an LLP(s):		
5. Permanent Business Mailing Address:		
6. Business Telephone Number:	7. Business Fax Number:	8. Business E-mail Address:

**BLOCK B – GULF OF ALASKA NON-TRAWL LLP LICENSES &
NON-TRAWL GEAR DESIGNATIONS**

1. Enter the total number of LLP groundfish licenses being requested:
(see instructions for the maximum number of licenses that can be issued per eligible community, for a management area)

2. Enter the non-trawl gear type to be designated on each groundfish license requested.

NOTE: By regulation NMFS may issue only pot gear Pacific cod endorsements for licenses that are endorsed for the Western Gulf of Alaska.

License	Gear Type	License	Gear Type

BLOCK C – ATTACHMENTS WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following information must be included as attachments to this application. The application will not be processed unless appropriate information and documentation are provided.

◆ A statement describing:

The procedures the CQE used to determine the distribution of LLP licenses to residents of the community represented by that CQE.

The procedures the CQE used to solicit requests from residents to be assigned an LLP license.

The criteria the CQE used to determine the distribution of the use of LLP licenses among qualified community residents and the relative weighting of those criteria.

BLOCK D - CQE CERTIFICATION

I am a duly authorized representative of the applicant; by my signature below, I declare that I have examined this application in its entirety, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information presented here is true, correct, and complete.

1. Signature of Applicant (or Authorized Representative):

2. Date:

3. Printed Name of Applicant (or Authorized Representative): If representative, **attach** authorization.

PUBLIC REPORTING BURDEN STATEMENT

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 20 hours per response, including 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 to Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Before completing this form, please note the following: 1) Notwithstanding any other provision of 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; 2) This information is mandatory and is required to manage commercial fishing efforts under 50 CFR part 679 and under section 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. They are also confidential under NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, which sets forth procedures to protect confidentiality of fishery statistics.

Instructions

APPLICATION FOR A CQE TO RECEIVE A NON-TRAWL GROUND FISH LLP LICENSE

A license holder must have a Pacific cod endorsement on his or her groundfish license to conduct directed fishing for Pacific cod in the Western Gulf of Alaska (Western GOA) or Central Gulf of Alaska (Central GOA) with hook-and-line gear, pot gear, or jig gear. A license holder can only use the specific non-trawl gear(s) indicated on his or her license to conduct directed fishing for Pacific cod in the Western GOA or Central GOA.

Groundfish LLP License

In order to receive a groundfish license, a Community Quota Entity (CQE) must submit a complete application for a groundfish license to the Regional Administrator at the address below.

A groundfish license approved for issuance to a CQE by the Regional Administrator for a community listed in Table 21 to part 679 (see below):

- (1) May not be transferred to any person from the CQE;
- (2) Will have only the regional designation specified for that community;
- (3) Will have an maximum length overall of 60 feet specified on the license;
- (4) Will have only a catcher vessel designation;
- (5) Will receive only a non-trawl gear endorsement;
- (6) Will be assigned a Pacific cod endorsement with a non-trawl gear designation.

Eligible Community

Prior to initially receiving quota share by transfer on behalf of a specific eligible community, a non-profit entity that intends to represent that eligible community as a CQE must have approval from the Regional Administrator. To receive that approval, the non-profit entity seeking to become a CQE must submit a complete application to become a CQE to the Regional Administrator, NMFS,
P.O. Box 21668,
Juneau, AK 99802.

The Regional Administrator will provide a copy of the complete application to the
Alaska Department of Community and Economic Development,
Commissioner,
P.O. Box 110809,
Juneau, AK 99811-0809.

Each CQE that has been approved by the Regional Administrator to represent a community listed in Table 21 to part 679, that is eligible for Pacific cod endorsed non-trawl groundfish licenses, may apply to receive the maximum number of groundfish licenses on behalf of the eligible communities the CQE is designated to represent. A CQE may not apply for, and may not receive more than the maximum number of groundfish licenses designated in the regulatory area specified for a community.

Table 21 to Part 679 – Eligible communities, Halibut IFQ Regulatory Area Location, Community Governing Body that Recommends the CQE, and the Fishing Programs and Associated Areas where a CQE Representing an Eligible Community may be Permitted to Participate.

Eligible GOA community	Halibut IFQ regulatory area in which the community is located	Community governing body that recommends the CQE	May lease halibut QS in halibut IFQ regulatory			May lease sablefish QS in sablefish IFQ regulatory areas	Maximum number of CHPs that may be issued in halibut IFQ regulatory		Maximum number of Pacific cod endorsed non-trawl groundfish licenses that may be assigned in the GOA groundfish regulatory area	
			Area 2C	Area 3A	Area 3B		CG, SE, WG, and WY (All GOA)	Area 2C	Area 3A	Central GOA
Akhiok	3A	City of Akhiok.		X	X	X		7	2	
Angoon	2C	City of Angoon.	X	X		X	4			
Chenega Bay	3A	Chenega IRA Village.		X	X	X		7	2	
Chignik	3B	City of Chignik.		X	X	X			3	
Chignik Lagoon	3B	Chignik Lagoon Village Council.		X	X	X			4	
Chignik Lake	3B	Chignik Lake Traditional Council.		X	X	X			2	
Coffman Cove	2C	City of Coffman Cove.	X	X		X	4			
Cold Bay	3B	City of Cold Bay.		X	X	X				2
Craig	2C	City of Craig.	X	X		X				
Edna Bay	2C	Edna Bay Community Association.	X	X		X	4			
Elfin Cove	2C	Community of Elfin Cove.	X	X		X				
Game Creek	2C	N/A.	X	X		X	4			
Gustavus	2C	Gustavus Community Association.	X	X		X				
Halibut Cove	3A	N/A.		X	X	X		7	2	
Hollis	2C	Hollis Community Council.	X	X		X	4			
Hoonah	2C	City of Hoonah.	X	X		X	4			
Hydaburg	2C	City of Hydaburg.	X	X		X	4			
Ivanof Bay	3B	Ivanof Bay Village Council.		X	X	X				2
Kake	2C	City of Kake.	X	X		X	4			
Karluk	3A	Native Village of		X	X	X		7	2	

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		Karluk.								
Kasaan	2C	City of Kasaan.	X	X		X	4			
King Cove	3B	City of King Cove.		X	X	X				9
Klawock	2C	City of Klawock.	X	X		X	4			
Larsen Bay	3A	City of Larsen Bay.		X	X	X		7	2	
Metlakatla	2C	Metlakatla Indian Village.	X	X		X	4			
Meyers Chuck	2C	N/A.	X	X		X	4			
Nanwalek	3A	Nanwalek IRA Council.		X	X	X		7	2	
Naukati Bay	2C	Naukati Bay, Inc.	X	X		X	4			
Old Harbor	3A	City of Old Harbor.		X	X	X		7	5	
Ouzinkie	3A	City of Ouzinkie.		X	X	X		7	9	
Pelican	2C	City of Pelican.	X	X		X	4			
Perryville	3B	Native Village of Perryville.		X	X	X				2
Point Baker	2C	Point Baker Community.	X	X		X	4			
Port Alexander	2C	City of Port Alexander.	X	X		X	4			
Port Graham	3A	Port Graham Village Council.		X	X	X		7	2	
Port Lions	3A	City of Port Lions.		X	X	X		7	6	
Port Protection	2C	Port Protection Community Association.	X	X		X	4			
Sand Point	3B	City of Sand Point.		X	X	X				14
Seldovia	3A	City of Seldovia.		X	X	X		7	8	
Tatitlek	3A	Native Village of Tatitlek.		X	X	X		7	2	
Tenakee Springs	2C	City of Tenakee Springs.	X	X		X	4			

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Thorne Bay	2C	City of Thorne Bay.	X	X		X	4			
Tyonek	3A	Native Village of Tyonek.		X	X	X		7	2	
Whale Pass	2C	Whale Pass Community Association.	X	X		X	4			
Yakutat	3A	City of Yakutat.		X	X	X		7	3	

CQE Authorization Letter

The CQE must provide a copy of an annual CQE authorization letter, and any subsequent amendment to that authorization letter that is made by the CQE to NMFS. A copy of the CQE authorization letter also must be provided to the vessel operator prior to the person(s) designated in the authorization letter using that groundfish license aboard a vessel. The vessel operator must maintain a copy of the annual CQE authorization letter, and any subsequent amendment to that authorization letter that is made by the CQE, on board the vessel when that vessel is directed fishing for Pacific cod under the authority of that groundfish license.

The authorization letter, and any subsequent amendment to that authorization letter, must be sent to the Regional Administrator, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802.

The CQE must attest in the annual CQE authorization letter, or any subsequent amendment to that authorization letter, that the person(s) using a groundfish license issued to a CQE:

- (1) Is a citizen of the United States;
- (2) Has maintained a domicile in a CQE community in the Central GOA or Western GOA eligible to receive an LLP license endorsed for Pacific cod for the 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the time when the assertion of residence is made; and
- (3) Is not claiming residency in another community, state, territory, or country, except that residents of the Village of Seldovia shall be considered to be eligible community residents of the City of Seldovia for the purposes of eligibility to serve as an authorized person.

The CQE authorization letter must list for each LLP license held by the CQE:

- o The vessel to be assigned to the license for the calendar year
- o The individual authorized to use the LLP license

- o Certifies that the individual authorized to use the LLP license is
 - A citizen of the United States
 - Has maintained a domicile, for the 12 consecutive months preceding the authorization in the CQE Community that is eligible to receive an LLP license endorsed for Pacific cod in the CG or WG and on whose behalf this LLP license is to be held.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Type or print legibly in ink and retain a copy of completed application for your records.

Please allow at least 10 working days for your application to be processed. Items will be sent by first class mail, unless you provide alternate instructions and include a prepaid mailer with appropriate postage or corporate account number for express delivery.

Mail the original completed application form to: **NMFS Alaska Region
Restricted Access Management (RAM)
P.O. Box 21668
Juneau, AK 99802-1668**

Hand Deliver to: Room 713, Federal Building
709 West 9th Street

Or Fax to: (907) 586-7354

If you need additional information, call RAM at: (800) 304-4846 (Option 2) or (907) 586-7202 (Option 2)

COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

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1. Name of Non-Profit Organization (CQE) seeking to receive a Non-trawl Groundfish LLP License.
2. Name of CQE Contact Person.
3. NMFS person ID of the non-profit organization.
4. Name of the community on whose behalf the CQE is applying for an LLP.
5. Permanent Business Mailing Address, including street or P.O. Box, city, state, and zip code.
- 6 -8. Business Telephone Number, business fax number, including the area codes, and business e-mail address.

BLOCK B – NUMBER OF GOA NON-TRAWL LLP LICENSES & NON-TRAWL GEAR DESIGNATIONS

1. Enter the number of GOA Groundfish LLP Licenses that the CQE is requesting on behalf of the eligible community in Block A.

Note: A community will not be issued more than the number and type of licenses authorized in Table 21 (see above).

2. Indicate for each license requested, the gear non-trawl type to be designated on each license.

For example, if requesting two Central GOA LLP Non-Trawl Licenses indicate gear on each as follows:

License #1 – Longline Gear

License #2 – Pot Gear

BLOCK C - REQUIRED INFORMATION

The CQE applying to receive a non-trawl groundfish LLP license must provide all of the documentation listed in this section. Failure to provide any of the required documentation will result in a denial of this application.

BLOCK D – CQE CERTIFICATION

Enter signature, printed name, and date of application. If completed by a representative, **attach** authorization.