

United States Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Marine Fisheries Service Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office 55 Great Republic Drive Gloucester, MA 01930 Phone: (978) 282-8438

# Initial Dealer Permit Information

Dear Federal Greater Atlantic Region Seafood Dealer:

# Why are we writing to you?

You requested a Federal Greater Atlantic Seafood Dealer initial permit application. You will need to complete the enclosed application and ownership form, include the required documentation, and return it to the Greater Atlantic Permit Office.

# This package includes a(n):

- Initial permit application
- Owner form
- Application instructions
- Application checklist
- Port Office contact list

# Application requirements

You must submit a complete and accurate application. Failure to meet all of the requirements of the application will delay the issuance of your permit(s).

# **Reporting Requirements**

When your permit is issued, you must submit trip-level reports of all lobster, shellfish, and fish purchased or received. Go to: <u>http://www.nero.noaa.gov/dealer\_er/</u> for information on reporting requirements. For questions on the Federal dealer reporting requirements, contact your area Port Agent (list enclosed).

# **Highly Migratory Species**

If you purchase highly migratory species (HMS), specifically Atlantic bigeye, albacore, yellowfin and skipjack (BAYS) tunas, Atlantic sharks and/or Atlantic swordfish, and hold another federal Greater Atlantic Region seafood dealer permit, you must report HMS electronically as well. Beginning January 1, 2013, dealers with a permit for only Atlantic tunas were required to electronically report their purchases of BAYS tunas and other HMS. Atlantic tuna dealers who purchase or receive domestic Atlantic Bluefin tuna have separate reporting requirements. Call (978) 281-9140 if you have questions about Bluefin tuna reporting, and (301) 427-8590 for questions about reporting for other HMS.

Dealers that trade bluefin tuna, swordfish, southern bluefin tuna, or frozen bigeye tuna internationally are required to obtain a Highly Migratory Species International Trade Permit. Information on this permit can be found at: www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/ITP/index.htm or by calling (727) 824-5326 and pressing 3.

#### Why do you need a dealer's permit?

You need to have a Greater Atlantic Region dealer permit for each managed species that you purchase from a federally permitted Greater Atlantic Region or HMS vessel (HMS includes Atlantic bluefin or BAYS tunas, bigeye,). Additionally, you must have that permit in your possession. You need a Greater Atlantic dealer permit if:

- You purchase any of the fish or shellfish listed below harvested from Federal waters (EEZ) or;
- You purchase Atlantic tunas harvested from Federal or State waters or;
- You purchase these fish or shellfish from a vessel issued a Greater Atlantic vessel permit.

List of managed species that require a Greater Atlantic rederal Dealer remit					
American lobster	Northeast Multispecies cont	NE Skate complex cont			
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			
Bluefin tuna	Redfish (Ocean perch)	Squids -			
Bigeye tuna	Red hake (Ling)	Illex squid			
Albacore tuna	Silver hake (Whiting)	Longfin squid			
Yellowfin tuna	White hake	Ocean quahog			
Skipjack 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			

#### List of managed species that require a Greater Atlantic Federal Dealer Permit

#### Mid-Atlantic Forage Fish Species / Atlantic Chub Mackerel

To purchase Mid-Atlantic forage species (see list below) and Atlantic chub mackerel in or from Federal waters (EEZ) from New York through North Carolina, you must be issued any dealer permit from the Greater Atlantic Region.

Mid-Atlantic Forage Species include the following:

- Anchovies
- Argentines
- Atlantic saury
- Atlantic thread herring
- Cusk-eels
- Greeneyes

- Halfbeaks
- Lanternfish
- Pearlsides
- Round herring Sand lances
- Sand lancesScaled sardine

- Silversides
- Spanish sardine
- Pelagic molluscs
- Copepods, krill,
- amphipods, and other small crustaceans

If you have any questions, please call the Greater Atlantic Region Permit Office at 978-282-8442 or your area Port Agent, found here: <u>www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/sed/portagents/index.html</u>





# Application Instructions Federal Fisheries Dealer Permit

Mail completed application packages to: NOAA Fisheries Service (NMFS), Greater Atlantic Region 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 Greater Atlantic Region 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 Greater Atlantic 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 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.

#### > 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.

To **add** a fishery not currently held, mark an "X" next to the permit on the application.

To **cancel** a fishery which you currently hold, write "cancel" next to <u>each</u> permit you wish to cancel.

# > 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.



Please read the important information on the reverse before mailing your application

# Additional Information for Dealers Submitting an Annual Renewal Application

All dealers, whether operating as a corporation, partnership, or sole proprietorship, must submit the enclosed Owner Form with the annual renewal application. The Owner Form must list the full name of **every** individual who has an ownership interest in a corporation, partnership, or sole proprietorship. Failure to include a completed Owner Form with your Initial application may delay permit issuance.

### A note on Dealer Reporting

All Federally permitted Greater Atlantic Seafood Dealers must submit weekly trip-level reports required under either CFR § 648.7, § 697.6 and § 635.5 Failure to do so will bar the future issuance of any Greater Atlantic dealer permit. If you have any questions concerning your compliance with the reporting regulations for Greater Atlantic managed species, please contact your local NMFS Port Agent (list enclosed). Questions concerning reporting for bluefin tuna [CFR § 635.5], should be directed to the Highly Migratory Species Office at (978) 281-9140.

The Analysis and Program Support Division may refer dealers to the NOAA Fisheries Service Office of Law Enforcement for:

- Failure to submit all reports
- Submitting incomplete or inaccurate reports
- Failure to report in a timely fashion

Activities that do not comply with the provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act may subject the violator to fines and/or permit sanctions.

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Federal Greater Atlantic Seafood Dealer Initial Dealer Permit Application

S	SECTIO	ON 1 - DEALER INFORMATION		rporations, LLCs,	
Southeast Dealer # (if available)			and p	artnerships must de a copy of the	
Company name:				Certificate of Incor- poration listing the	
Owner's Name:			name	s of all partners, rs, and/or share-	
Street Address:			holders in the company. Failure to provide this		
City:	_ Sta	ate : Zip Code:	the pi	nation WILL DELAY rocessing of your	
Telephone:		Fax Number:	applic	ation.	
**Vessel Hull Number: ** (if you are applying for an Atlantic Mackerel at Sea Processor permit or an Atlantic Herring at Sea Processor permit, you must enter a vessel name and hull number above and include a copy of the vessel's current Coast Guard Documentation or State Registration.)					
		or commercial purposes at more than one ddresses on the back of this form in Section		f business, each	
	SEC	TION 2 - FISHERIES			
Select the fisheries desired by placing an	( <b>X</b> ) in	the boxes provided. Select all fisheries t	hat appl	ly.	
Atlantic bluefin tuna		Northeast multispecies		Scup	
Other Atlantic Tunas (Yellowfin, Bigeye, Skipjack,		American lobster		Black sea bass	
Albacore)		Skate		Monkfish	
Surfclam/Ocean quahog - Dealer		**Atlantic mackerel at sea processor		Atlantic bluefish	
Surfclam/Ocean quahog - Processor		Squid, Atlantic mackerel, butterfish		Spiny Dogfish	
Summer flounder		Atlantic herring - Dealer		Tilefish	
Atlantic sea scallop		**Atlantic herring At Sea Processor		Atlantic Deep- sea Red Crab	
Atlantic Hagfish		** Atlantic herring At Sea Dealer			
SECTION 3 - OWNER'S NAME AND SIGNATURE I affirm, subject to the penalties provided in 18 USC 1001, that all information I have given in obtaining this permit is true and correct.					
Print Name:					
Signature:		Date:			
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**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			
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Company Address			
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City:	State:	Zip:	
Telephone:			

#### For further information, call Greater Atlantic Permit Office at (978) 282-8438

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.



Mr/Mrs/Ms

First Name



Suffix Name

# **Owner Form**

- List all persons who have an ownership interest in the business that is the subject of this application.
- Owners or persons who have an ownership interest in a business are defined as and include, but are
  not limited to, corporations, partnerships, LLCs, persons who are shareholders in a corporation,
  persons who have formed a partnership (general or limited), and any other entities that have
  ownership interest in the business.

#### Section A – Person(s) or Business applying for permit

Name:	Permit Number:

**Section B** - All persons who have an ownership interest in the business must be listed below. Do not include employees of the business unless they are also an owner or shareholder.

Last Name

Middle Name

Check all that apply - Owner Officer Shareholder					
Mr/Mrs/Ms	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix Name	
Check all tha	Check all that apply - Owner Officer Shareholder				
Mr/Mrs/Ms	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix Name	
Check all that apply - Owner Officer Shareholder					
I, the undersigned, am the owner or legally authorized agent of the owner of the business named in <i>Section A</i> above. I affirm, subject to the penalties provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001, that all information that I have given in obtaining this permit is true and correct. OMB# 0648-0202 Expires 08/31/2019					
Name of Applicant (print clearly)					
Signature of Applicant Date					

Please use the back of this form to provide information on all persons with an ownership interest in the business.

**Page 2 - Section B Continued -** All persons who have an ownership interest in the business must be listed below. Do not include employees of the business unless they are also an owner or shareholder.

Mr/Mrs/Ms	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix Name	
Check all tha	t apply - Owner	Officer	Shareholder		
Mr/Mrs/Ms	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix Name	
Check all tha	t apply - Owner	Officer	Shareholder	•	
Mr/Mrs/Ms	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix Name	
Check all tha	t apply - Owner	Officer	Shareholder		
Mr/Mrs/Ms	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix Name	
Check all that apply - Owner Officer Shareholder					
Mr/Mrs/Ms	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix Name	
Check all that apply - Owner Officer Shareholder					
I, the undersigned, am the owner or legally authorized agent of the owner of the business named in <i>Section A</i> above. I affirm, subject to the penalties provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001, that all information that I have given in obtaining this permit is true and correct. OMB# 0648-0202 Expires 08/31/2019					
Name of Applicant (print clearly)					
Signature of Applicant Date					

Please copy this form as needed to provide information on all persons with an ownership interest in the business in Section A.