## Instructions for the Federal Permit Application for Annual Dealer

 PermitIn addition to the instructions provided herein, applicants with specific questions are encouraged to contact the Permits Office at (727) 824-5326 or toll free at (877) 376-4877 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET, or visit the SERO Permits website at sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/permits.

Please consult the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations whose guidance for application requirements, permit eligibilities, and related information will always prevail. NMFS will return incomplete or illegible applications.

## General Instructions:

## What Sections do I complete?

Complete all applicable sections of this application form. All application fields should be typed or printed in ink. Specifically,
$\sqrt{ }$ All applicants must fill out Section 1, 2, and 3.
If the dealership, as listed in Section 1 and on the applicable state wholesale licenses, is a business that is owned by another business, fill out Section 4.
If the dealership, as listed in Section 1, is a business, fill out Section 5 for all individual owners of the dealership listed in Section 1.
Also, complete Section 5 for all individual owners of businesses that own dealership, as listed in Section 4. Copy Sections 4 and 5 as necessary to provide information for all owners of the dealership, and owners of businesses that own the dealership.

All applicants must fill out Sections 6 and 7.
See pages 2-4 for information about specific sections of this application.

## What is the fee?

The application fee is $\$ 50$ for one fishery and $\$ 12.50$ for each additional fishery, as described in the table below. This application fee is collected to cover the administrative cost of processing the application, and is nonrefundable.
The fee to replace one or more permits issued to a dealer is $\$ 18$. NMFS will not refund money for denied permits. A check or money order payable to the U.S. TREASURY must accompany each application.

Permits $1=\$ 50 \quad 2=\$ 62.50 \quad 3=\$ 75$

## Where do I send the application?

Mail the complete application, payment, and all required supporting documentation to:

## NMFS Permits Office (F/SER14) <br> 263 13th Avenue South, <br> St. Petersburg, FL 33701

To receive permits via overnight carrier, enclose a completed, pre-paid air bill and envelope. Please note using the prepaid overnight delivery option does not expedite permit processing; it only expedites delivery of your completed permit package.

## What about reporting compliance?

NMFS will not renew a dealer permit until all reporting requirements for the permit being renewed have been met (e.g., SAFIS, Trip Ticket, HMS electronic dealer reporting, e-1 Ticket, PC-1 Ticket programs). To avoid delays, applicants are encouraged to comply with all reporting requirements before submitting a permit application.

- Communications concerning Atlantic shark and/or swordfish dealer reporting requirements must be directed to the Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Management Division at (301) 427-8590
- Communications concerning Gulf and South Atlantic Dealer (GSAD) reporting requirements must be directed to the SEFSC Quota Monitoring Office at (305) 361-4581. Current reporting status can be viewed at https://grunt.sefsc.noaa.gov/drsr/


## What supporting documentation do I need?

State Wholesale License: Provide a copy of the valid state whole sale license for each state in which the dealership has a facility

Payment: Include a check or money order made out to the US Treasury. See "What is the Fee" on page 1 of these instructions for more information.
$\square$ HMS Workshop Certificate: Shark dealers must provide a copy of one of the following HMS Workshop Certificates:
(A) Valid Dealer Certificate,
(B) Valid Proxy Certificate from an employee of the dealership, or
(C) If the dealer's has an expired shark dealer permit, or if the dealer has never been issued a shark dealer permit, a General Participant Certificate from an officer or owner of the dealership will also be accepted.


APPLICATION SECTION 1 -DEALER INFORMATION.
Complete all applicable portions of Section 1.
In Section 1A

- Enter the dealership name as it appears on the state wholesale license(s). If the dealership uses a fictitious name, or does business as another name, provide the DBA name in the space provided. All dealerships must provide a valid email address, and telephone number.
- If the dealership is a business, provide the dealership's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) and date the dealership was formed.
- For a brief definition of applicable business types, see our frequently asked questions at http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/operations management information services/constituency services branch/permits/ permit faq/index.html
- If the dealership is an individual, provide the dealer's Social Security Number (SSN) and date of birth.

In Section 1B

- Provide a mailing and physical address for the dealership in Section 1b.


## APPLICATION SECTION 2 - Permits Requested.

Indicate the fishery and transaction type of the permits requested.



## APPLICATION SECTION 4 -Businesses that Own Businesses

Complete this section for any business that owns more than $1 \%$ of any business within the ownership hierarchy of the dealership.
For every business, the sum of ownership, by either individuals or other businesses, must total $100 \%$. Photocopy this section as necessary to provide information about all businesses within the ownership hierarchy of the dealer.

- For each business, provide the business's full name, tax ID number (FEIN), date the business was formed, phone number, physical and mailing address, and business type.
- Indicate if the business was established by the laws of the United States or any state of the United States. Note, this information will not affect eligibility to obtain a permit.
- Provide an email address or SMS mobile phone number to receive digital updates about your permit and application status (when available).
- For a brief definition of applicable business types, see our frequently asked questions at http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/operations management information services/constituency services branch/permits/ permit faq/index.html
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Example: If the dealer, as identified by the state wholesale license(s), is owned by Company A, provide information about Company A in Section 4. If Company B owns Company A, also provide information about Company B in section 4.


APPLICATION SECTION 5 - Businesses Officers and Individual Owners
Complete this section for any individual that owns more than $1 \%$ of any business within the ownership hierarchy of the dealership, as listed in section 1 and 4. For every business, the sum of ownership, by either individuals or other businesses, must total $100 \%$. Photocopy this section as necessary to provide information about all businesses within the ownership hierarchy of the vessel

- For each individual owner or officer, include the entity's full name, tax ID number (SSN), date of birth, phone number, physical address, mailing address, sex, and race/ethnicity information.
- Indicate if the individual is a United States citizen or permanent resident alien. Note, this information will not affect eligibility to obtain a permit.
- Provide an email address or SMS mobile phone number to receive digital updates about your permit and application status (when available).
- Minor shareholders: Complete Section 5 b if a business listed in Section 1 , or 4 has owners that individually own less than $1 \%$ of the business. Provide the total percentage of ownership which is individually held by owners who own less than $1 \%$. This section is left blank for most applicants.

Example: If the dealership is owned by Company A, provide information about all owners and officers of Company A. If Company $A$ is also owned in whole or part by Company B, complete section 5 to provide information about all individual owners and officers of Company A and Company B.

Photocopy this section as necessary to provide information about all businesses and their respective owners and officers that comprise the ownership hierarchy of the vessel.

## APPLICATION SECTION 6 - Small Business or Organization Certification

This section is required for ALL applicants. Your revenue and employment estimates for the most recent complete calendar year your business or organization was active should include the revenues and employees of ALL affiliated businesses or organizations. In general, businesses or organizations are affiliated with each other when one business or organization controls or has the power to control another business or organization, or a third party controls or has the power to control both. Specifically, businesses or organizations are considered to be affiliated if they have $50 \%$ or more ownership in common. For e.g., if the same individual or individuals own or co-own multiple businesses, those businesses would be considered affiliated and thus should be treated as a single operation for the purpose of estimating annual gross revenues and employment.

## APPLICATION SECTION 7 - SIGNATURE FOR APPLICATION

The applicant must sign the application in section 7. If the dealership is a business, the signee must be an officer or owner of the dealership business.

## KNOWINGLY SUPPLYING FALSE INFORMATION OR WILLFULLY OVERVALUING ANY FISHING INCOME TO OBTAIN A PERMIT IS A VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW PUNISHABLE BY A FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing 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 suggestions for reducing this burden to: PRA Officer, National Marine Fisheries Service, F/SER26, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701.

The National Marine Fisheries Service requires this information for the conservation and management of marine fishery resources. The data reported will be used to develop, implement, and monitor fishery management activities for a variety of other uses. Responses to this collection are required to obtain or retain a fisheries permit under the Magnuson - Stevens Act. Non-confidential information may be released via a NOAA Fisheries website. Non-confidential information means: Name, Street Address, City, State, Zip Code, Effective Date of Permit, Permit Types, Vessel Name, Vessel Identification Number, Vessel length, Vessel tonnage (gross and net), Vessel horse power, in the case of a "for hire" vessel the Passenger Capacity, or individual, corporate and lease holders of permits. All other data submitted will be handled as confidential material in accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, Protection of Confidential Fishery Statistics. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subjected 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.

For Privacy Act information related to SERO Permits and Permit Applications go to goo.gl/1Zwvbh.
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## FEDERAL PERMIT APPLICATION FOR AN ANNUAL DEALER PERMIT

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| Reviewer's Initials and Date |  |
| Check or Money Order Number <br> and Amount |  |
| SERO Dealer Number |  |
| Non Compliance Hold Date |  |
| Non Compliance Cleared Date |  |
| Expiration Date |  |
| SCAN DATE AND INITIALS |  |



 formed). The FEIN is the number that was provided to you by the IRS (if applicable).

## SECTION 1 - DEALER INFORMATION (PERMIT HOLDER)

Provide the name below as it appears on the state wholesale or dealer license.


## 1.b. REQUIRED—Address Information for either Business Or Individual Dealer:



## SECTION 2 - PERMITS

Indicate which permit(s) you are applying for by checking the box adjacent to the corresponding fishery. Also indicate if this is a new or renewal of a permit.
NEW RENEW
FEE SCHEDULE

Applicants for an Atlantic Shark Dealer permit must provide a copy of the unexpired Shark Identification Workshop Certificate for each facility listed below OR have a copy of the unexpired certificate on file with the permits office at the time of

## SECTION 3 - RECEIVING FACILITIES

List the names and physical addresses for facilities where product is received (fish is off loaded from the fishing vessels). Please copy this page as needed to provide information on all facilities where fish are received. If you receive product in different states, you must provide a copy of your valid State Wholesale License for each state.

Check here if a location where you receive product from fishermen is the same as the physical address from section 1 or for sole proprietor's in section 2. If checked, you do not need to re-list that location here.



## SECTION 5 - BUSINESS OFFICERS AND INDIVIDUAL OWNERS (Cont.)

Complete this section by providing information on all individual officers and owners that own 1\% or more of any business listed in section 1 (the dealer) and/or section 4 (businesses that own the dealer). Copy this section as needed to provide information about ALL officers and shareholders.


Section 5b: Minor Shareholders: Complete this section by providing information on all individual officers and owners that own less than $1 \%$ of any business listed in section 1 (the dealer) and/or section 4 (businesses that own the dealer).

MINOR OWNERS - Check here if one or more owners (individual OR business) holds shares that are less than $1 \%$ of the total business shares.
TOTAL PERCENTAGE of the business shares held by minor owners.

## SECTION 6 - SMALL BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION CERTIFICATION

ALL applicants must complete this section. Complete this section for the business, organization or sole proprietorship listed in section1, block 1a.

Information needed to complete this section: Please estimate your annual gross revenues (sales) for the most recent calendar year your business or organization was active prior to this year. Your primary activity is the activity that generated the greatest percentage of annual gross revenues in the most recent complete calendar year the business or organization was active. Review the business/organization descriptions in Boxes 1 through 7 and identify the one that describes the applicant's primary activity. If the business is primarily a seafood dealer or processor, estimate the number of employees for the most recent calendar year your business or organization was active prior to this year. Include all full-time, part-time, and temporary employees in your estimate, but do not include crew that work on any vessels owned by the business or organization or its affiliates. Your estimates should account for the revenues and employees of ALL businesses and organizations with which your business or organization is affiliated. See the instructions at the beginning of the application package for more information about affiliation. If you have questions about affiliation and how it applies in your case, please call 727-824-5305 and ask for one of our Office's economists.

How to fill out the form: Start with Box 1. If the answer to the question in Box 1 is "Yes," check "Yes" and answer the questions in the box to the right and follow the instructions in that box. If the answer to Question 1 is "No," check "No" and go to Box 2. Continue this process until you have either: (1) answered "Yes" to ONE of the questions in Boxes 1 through 6 AND the applicable questions in the boxes to the right, OR (2) answered all questions in Box 7 .

Box 1. Is the business primarily involved in harvesting seafood (commercial fishing)?


If the answer is yes, go to question 1 A to the right. Otherwise, go to Question 2 below.


Box 2. Is the business primarily involved in for-hire fishing services (charter, party/ headboat)?


If the answer is yes, go to question 2 A to the right. Otherwise, go to Question 3 below.


1A) Was the business active prior to this year?


2B) What was the most recent year the business was active prior to this year?

Did the business have more than $\$ 7.5$ million in gross receipts in that year? Yes $\square$ No $\square$ You are done. Go to Section 7 of the application.

3A) Was the business active prior to this year?


If yes, go to question 3B. If no, you are done. Go to Section 7 of the application.

3B) What was the most recent year the business was active prior to this year?

Did the business have more than 100 employees? Yes $\square$ No $\square$ You are done. Go to Section 7 of the application.

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Did the business have more than $\$ 11$ million in gross receipts in that year? Yes $\square$ No are done. Go to Section 7 of the application.

Box 4. Is the business primarily involved in processing seafood (seafood processor)?


If the answer is yes, go to question 1 A to the right. Otherwise, go to Question 5 on the next page.

Box 3 . Is the business primarily involved in buying and selling seafood (seafood dealer/wholesaler)?


If the answer is yes, go to question $3 A$ to the right. Otherwise, go to Question 4 below.


4B) What was the most recent year the business was active prior to this year?

Did the business have more than 750 employees? Yes M $\square$ No You are done. Go to Section 7 of the application.

## SECTION 6 - SMALL BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION CERTIFICATION (Continued from previous page)

Box 5. Is the organization an Environmental, Conservation and Wildlife, or Professional Non-Profit Organization?


If the answer is yes, go to question 5A to the right. Otherwise, go to Question 6 below.


Box 5. Is the organization some other NonProfit Organization (e.g., business association)?


If the answer is yes, go to question 6A to the right. Otherwise, go to Question 7 below.
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5B) What was the most recent year the organization was active prior to this year?

Did the organization have more than \$15 Million in gross receipts? Yes
You are done. Go to Section 7 of the application.


6B) What was the most recent year the business was active prior to this year?

Did the organization have more than \$7.5 Million in gross receipts? Yes $\square$ No You are done. Go to Section 7 of the application.
7) The business or organization must be primarily involved in another industry not related to fishing or seafood.

Refer to SBA's list of NAICS codes (see https://go.usa.gov/xRGvQ) and enter the NAICS code for your primary activity here:


Based on the applicable SBA size standard, check the appropriate box to indicate if the business or organization is Large or Small and report the year on which that conclusion was based.


## SECTION 7 - SIGNATURE FOR APPLICATION - REQUIRED

The undersigned certifies under penalty of perjury that the foregoing information is true and correct ( 28 U.S.C. section 1746 ; 18 U.S.C. section 1621; 18 U.S.C. section 1001).

Please note: The applicant who signs below must be the dealer identified in Section 1 unless the dealer is a partnership, corporation, or other business entity, in which the applicant must be an individual named as an officer or shareholder of the business as listed in Section 4.

## Applicant Signature

$\square$
Printed Name
$\square$

Date


Position In Company (if applicable)
$\square$

## Payment Reminder:

All applications must include payment of a non-refundable application fee in the form of a check or money order made payable to the U.S. Treasury. The fee required is $\$ 50.00$ for the first permit and $\$ 12.50$ for each additional permit requested with this application.

