



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
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PACIFIC HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES VESSEL PERMIT APPLICATION

Please apply online directly at <http://fisheriespermits.noaa.gov>

SECTION A- VESSEL INFORMATION

US COAST GUARD DOC OR STATE REG. NUMBER		VESSEL NAME		
HOME PORT AND STATE		HAIL PORT AND STATE		
RADIO CALL SIGN	DOES THIS VESSEL HAVE A VESSEL MONITORING SYSTEM (VMS)? YES ☐ NO ☐ (REQUIRED FOR VESSELS GREATER THAN 24M AND/OR VESSELS FISHING OUTSIDE 200NM)			
REGISTERED LENGTH (FT)	REGISTERED BREADTH (FT)	REGISTERED DEPTH (FT)	GROSS TONS	NET TONS
HOLD CAPACITY (SHORT TONS; 1 ST = 2000 LBS)	REFRIGERATION TYPE ICE ☐ BRINE ☐ SPRAY BRINE ☐ BLOWER/BLAST ☐ OTHER ☐ _____			
PROPULSION TYPE GAS ☐ DIESEL ☐ OTHER ☐	HORSEPOWER	HULL MATERIAL	CREW SIZE	
YEAR BUILT	LOCATION BUILT (CITY, STATE)			
PREVIOUS VESSEL NAMES, VESSEL FLAGS, EFFECTIVE DATES				

SECTION B- GEAR TYPE TO BE AUTHORIZED BY THIS PERMIT

RECREATIONAL CHARTER VESSEL ☐		PASSENGER CAPACITY: _____		
COMMERCIAL: SELECT THE GEAR TYPES THE VESSEL WILL BE USING (<i>Some gear types have additional requirements</i>)				
TROLL / JIG ☐	BAIT BOAT ☐	HARPOON ☐	DRIFT GILLNET ☐	DEEP-SET LONGLINE ☐
		PURSE SEINE ☐	DEEP-SET BUOY GEAR ☐	

SECTION C- VESSEL OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

PERMIT HOLDER / BUSINESS NAME		SSN/EIN		DATE CORPORATION FILED
BUSINESS ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE				
TELEPHONE	FAX	CELL PHONE		EMAIL
MANAGING OWNER LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE	SUFFIX	DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)
SECOND OWNER LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE	SUFFIX	DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)
THIRD OWNER LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE	SUFFIX	DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH/DAY/YEAR)

SECTION D- ELIGIBILITY

IS EACH HOLDER OF THIS PERMIT A U.S. CITIZEN (INCLUDING ALL MEMBERS OF AN ASSOCIATION OR JOINT VENTURE)? YES ☐ NO ☐	
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SECTION E- SIGNATURE

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE, TRUE, AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

SIGNATURE _____ NAME (PRINTED) _____ DATE _____

If you wish to submit a check or money order for \$18.00, make it payable to: "US Department of Commerce – NOAA" and print your vessel name and Coast Guard/State Registration number in the memo section of your check.

Cash is not accepted.

IMPORTANT: This permit is required for commercial fishing vessels and recreational charter vessels that harvest, land, or transship any of the species that are included in the HMS Fisheries Management Plan, including: striped marlin (*Tetrapturus audax*), swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*), common tresher shark (*Alopias vulpinus*), shortfin mako or bonito shark (*Isurus oxyrinchus*), blue shark (*Prionace glauca*), north Pacific albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*), yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*), bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*), skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*), northern Bluefin tuna (*Thunnus orientalis*), and dorado or dolphinfish (*Coryphaena hippurus*). Other: dorado, mahi mahi or dolphinfish (*Coryphaena hippurus*).

INSTRUCTIONS

Section A- VESSEL INFORMATION: Enter vessel information as it appears on the Coast Guard documentation, or if the vessel is not documented by the Coast Guard, as it appears on the state registration, and/or marine survey.

Home Port: City and state where the vessel is customarily kept, not necessarily the home port list on the certificate of documentation. Radio Call Sign – Leave blank if your vessel does not have one.

Operational Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) – Global positioning system using satellites to track vessel movements, required for vessels fishing in the high seas (outside 200 nm) and commercial vessels greater than 24 m (78.74 ft.).

Section B- GEAR ENDORSEMENTS: For commercial fishing vessels, mark only gears that the vessel will use to harvest HMS. Some gear types are subject to additional requirements prior to authorization. It is not necessary to list any gear for recreational charter or commercial passenger fishing vessels (CPFV).

Section C- VESSEL OWNERSHIP: Enter the owner's Social Security Number, if individual, or Tax Identification Number, if business. The owner's date of birth will be used as an additional identifier and to establish the two-year renewal date for the permit. Contact information for all vessel owners is required.

Section D- ELIGIBILITY: The following vessel owners are eligible to hold a Pacific HMS permit:

- (1) An individual who is a citizen of the United States.
- (2) An association, trust, joint venture, or other entity if—(A) each of its members is a citizen of the United States; and (B) it is capable of holding title to a vessel under the laws of the United States or a State.
- (3) A partnership if—(A) each general partner is a citizen of the United States; and (B) the controlling interest in the partnership is owned by citizens of the United States.
- (4) A corporation if—(A) it is incorporated under the laws of the United States or a State; (B) its chief executive officer, by whatever title, and the chairman of its board of directors are citizens of the United States; and (C) no more of its directors are noncitizens than a minority of the number necessary to constitute a quorum.
- (5) The United States Government.
- (6) The government of a State.

SECTION E- SIGNATURE: The authorized agent must sign and date the application. By signing and dating the application, the authorized agent certifies that all information set forth in the application is true, correct, and complete to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief. The application will not be considered without the authorized agent's signature.

For more information on the HMS fishery, please visit <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/permit/pacific-highly-migratory-species-permits>

For more information on West Coast fishing permits, please visit: <https://media.fisheries.noaa.gov/dam-migration/wcr-hms-fmp-complianceguide2019.pdf>

Warning

A false statement on this form is punishable by permit sanctions (revocation, suspension, or modification) under 15 CFR part 904, a civil penalty up to \$100,000 under 16 USC 1858, and as a federal crime under 18 USC 1001.

Public Burden Statement

A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with an information collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 unless the information collection has a currently valid OMB Control Number. The approved OMB Control Number for this information collection is 0648-0204. Without this approval, we could not conduct information collection. Public reporting for this information collection is estimated to be approximately 5-10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information collection. All responses to this information collection are required to obtain the permit. This form is needed to obtain current information about the vessel and owner. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the NOAA/National Marine Fisheries Service, West Coast Region, Attn: Permits Specialist, Sustainable Fisheries Division, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115 or wcr-permits@noaa.gov.

Privacy Act Statement

Authority: The collection of this information is authorized under 5 U.S.C. § 301, Departmental regulations which authorizes the operations of an executive agency, including the creation, custodianship, maintenance and distribution of records, and 15 U.S.C. 1512, Powers and duties of the Department.

Purpose: This information is being collected by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to ensure that timely and accurate records are available concerning the fishing vessels of the U.S. that participate in Pacific Ocean fisheries for highly migratory species (HMS), consistent with the requirements of the Fishery Management Plan for U.S. West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species. This collection of information concerning U.S. fishing vessels harvesting tuna in the eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO) is also necessary for the U.S. to comply with its obligations as a member of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC).

Routine Uses: Disclosure of this information is permitted under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a) to be shared among Department staff for work-related purposes. Disclosure of this information is also subject to all the published routine uses as identified in the Privacy Act System of Records Notice COMMERCE/NOAA-11, Contact Information for Members of the Public Requesting or Providing Information Related to NOAA's Mission.

Disclosure: Furnishing this information is voluntary. By providing this information, you are consenting to the use of that information only for the purpose for which it is submitted.