

OPERATOR PERMIT APPLICATION - 2026
No Fee Required

The collection of information is mandated by the Marine Mammal Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1371) and by implementing regulations contained at 50 CFR §216.24(b)(2). The information supplied on this form will be used by the National Marine Fisheries Service to authorize the incidental take and to alert vessel owners of applicable rules and regulations regarding the permit for the taking of marine mammals incidental to commercial purse seine fishing for yellowfin tuna in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean. The name of the operator supplied on this form may be released under the Freedom of Information Act. All other information supplied on this form are considered proprietary and therefore subject to data confidentiality restriction of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Administrative Order 216-100.

1. OPERATOR INFORMATION

OPERATOR NAME:
(First, Middle, Last)

HOME ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE:

FAX:

EMAIL:

2. PERMIT INFORMATION

VESSEL NAME(S):

DATE, LOCATION, AND PROVIDER OF MOST RECENT TUNA PURSE SEINE MARINE MAMMAL SKIPPER WORKSHOP:

OTHER FEDERAL, STATE, AND COMMERCIAL LICENSES HELD BY OPERATOR:
(include type, identification numbers, and expiration dates)

I declare that the information in this application is true and complete.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

-or-

APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

SIGNATURE

DATE

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 0648-0387. Without this approval, we could not conduct this information collection. Public reporting for this information collection is estimated to be approximately 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 mandatory to obtain a permit pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1371 and 50 CFR §216.24(b)(2). The information supplied on this form will be used by the National Marine Fisheries Service to authorize the incidental take and alert vessel owners of applicable rules and regulations regarding the permit for taking marine mammals incidental to commercial purse seine fishing for yellowfin tuna in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to National Marine Fisheries Service at: Permits Office, West Coast Region, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213, or wcr.permit@noaa.gov.

Privacy Act Statement

Authority: The collection of this information is authorized under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Purpose: The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) requires this information for the conservation and management of marine fishery resources in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

Routine Uses: The data reported will be used to develop, implement, and monitor fishery management strategies and for a variety of other administrative uses. All data submitted will be handled as confidential in accordance with section 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act and NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, Protection of Confidential Fisheries Statistics. Disclosure of this information is permitted under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) to be shared within NMFS offices to coordinate monitoring and management of the sustainability of fisheries and protected resources, as well as with applicable State or Regional Marine Fisheries Commissions and International Organizations. Disclosure of this information is also subject to all published routine uses as identified in the Privacy Act System of Records Notice COMMERCE/NOAA-6, Fishermen's Statistical Data.

Disclosure: Furnishing this information is mandatory to participate in and obtain authorization under Magnuson-Stevens Act regulated fisheries. Failure to provide complete and accurate information may delay or prevent the issuance of applicable permits, authorizations, or quota allocations.