



Northeast Permits Update



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FORMAT OF FEDERAL VESSEL PERMITS TO CHANGE

In the coming months, the National Marine Fisheries Service, Northeast Region will change the appearance of its Federal fishing vessel permits. The main reason for the change is to provide permit holders with a single piece of paper which lists all of the issued permits. Currently, permit holders may receive multiple blue carbon mailers for a single vessel. Thus, the major change will be that the permits will now be on a single full-sheet of paper (8½ x 11).

Although the size of the permit is changing, the layout of the permit will be similar (see sample of new format below). All information contained on the current permits will now be consolidated onto one page. The permit will show the effective and expiration dates of each fishery permit listed as well as the vessel's maximum lobster trap allocation, if applicable.

The new permits will be in color and mailed in an envelope. Issued permits will not be faxed.

Once we begin issuing permits in the new format, both the new and old permits will be accepted. Any previously issued 2005 or 2006 permits will remain valid until the expiration of those permits. Therefore, if you already have 2005 or 2006 permits in the old format, those permits are still valid and we will not be printing new permits for you. The next time you renew your permits you will receive your permits in the new single page format.

What information will be printed on the permits?

Currently, the top left portion of the permit indicates the current vessel owner's name and address. The top right portion is the vessel's description. The permit will also list each fishery permit that has been issued to the vessel along with the effective and expiration dates of the permits. Conditions of the permit will be listed on the reverse of the application.

How long do permits remain valid?

All permits are issued annually upon receipt of a completed application. The permit holder must renew the permit every year. Vessel permits are valid until the expiration date printed on the permit.

Check our website for further information or call Northeast Permit Operations at (978) 281-9370.
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Federal Fishing Vessel Permit

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Issued pursuant to: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq. and 50 CFR

NOAA-80-108A 2006 Fishing Year Permit

Owner Name:	Northeast Federal Permit Number:
Vessel Name:	Registration Number:
VESSEL ID:	Principal Port/State:
City, State, Zip:	Length: Tonnage: Hold Cap:

Fisheries Permitted	Date Issued mm/dd/yyyy	Effective Date	Expiration Date

Maximum Trap Allocation (if applicable): (see reverse side for lobster trap information)

This permit is not valid unless signed, knowingly and validly holding. Renewal fees as they apply may result in vessel liability. (16 U.S.C. § 1801) Authorized Signature

See reverse side for permit conditions and information OMB# 0648-0202