

POTOMAC RIVER FISHERIES COMMISSION
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Oyster/Clam

COMMERCIAL LICENSE APPLICATION

Name _____ Soc. Sec. # _____ - _____ - _____
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____ Birth Date ____/____/____ Telephone No. (____) _____ - _____

E-mail _____ Weight _____ Height ____/____ Hair Color _____

Eye Color _____ Race _____ Sex _____

BOAT NUMBER: (Name if Documented): _____ LENGTH: _____ POWER (circle one): I/B O/B

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ANNUAL COMMERCIAL LICENSE REGISTRATION FEE				▶	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Each</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Must be paid prior to the first commercial license purchased or renewed after July 1 st each year					150.00	Person	_____
OYSTER							
_____	Surcharge	300.00	Person	_____	_____	_____	_____
(paid one time during season)							
TONG							
_____	Tong – Individual or Operator	95.00	Person	_____	_____	_____	_____
(Tong Boat Operator must purchase Tong Boat Decals)							
_____	Tong – Boat Decals	15.00	Vessel	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Tong – Assistant	50.00	Person	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Power Assisted Hand Tong	65.00	Vessel	_____	_____	_____	_____
HAND SCRAPE							
_____	Hand Scrape – Individual	155.00	Person	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Hand Scrape – Boat	190.00	Vessel	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Hand Scrape – Assistant	50.00	Person	_____	_____	_____	_____
Oyster Bushel ID Tags							
# of tags							
_____	Oyster ID Tags (individual)	.50	Tag	_____	_____	_____	_____
One tag accompanies a single oyster basket							
_____	Oyster ID Tags (bulk)	4.00	Tag	_____	_____	_____	_____
One tag accompanies a single lot (max. 8 bushels) by a single harvester, from one oyster bar, per day							
_____	S&H Oyster ID Tags	10.00	per shipment	_____	_____	_____	_____
CLAM							
_____	Clam Dredge	250.00	Dredge	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Draft	_____	Beam	_____	Length of Conveyor	_____	_____
OYSTER BUY BOAT*							
_____	Oyster Buy Boat	250.00	Vessel	_____	_____	_____	_____
*Oyster Buy Boat vessel must be at least 40' in length; and no more than one oyster buy boat license may be issued for any single boat. No hand tongs, power assisted hand tongs, hand tong scrapes, dredges, dive gear, or patent tongs may be aboard any oyster buy boat at any time.							
To qualify for a PRFC Oyster Buy Boat license, the applicant must be a certified dealer or working on behalf of a certified dealer on the Interstate Certified Shellfish Shippers List (ICSSL). See Regulation I, Sec. 2(g) Oyster Buy Boat License for more information regarding containers and tagging.							

I hereby certify that I do not have any licenses revoked in either Maryland or Virginia _____ (initial here). **See reverse.**
 I hereby certify that I have **not** failed to comply with a seafood catch audit or delinquent notice _____ (initial here).
 I hereby certify under penalties of perjury that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I will abide by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Potomac River Fisheries Commission. I further certify that I am at least 14 years old and am a citizen of Maryland or Virginia and have resided in either or both states for at least 12 months preceding this application. **(Proof of residency may be required.)**

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Application Approved: Yes _____ No _____	Signature of Applicant Date: _____	By: _____	Cash _____ CK _____ CC _____	Date _____	Total Paid: _____
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**Potomac River Fisheries Commission
Commercial License Application Instructions**

Commercial License Registration Fee – All persons must pay the Commercial License Registration Fee prior to the purchase of any commercial license(s) on or after July 1st of each year.

Notice to Renewal Licensees - By making this application for renewal you are certifying to the PRFC that you have filed all catch reports.

Suspension or Revocation of License (Regulation I, Section 4) - If your commercial fish, crab, or oyster licenses are currently revoked or suspended in either Maryland or Virginia, you will need to attend a hearing before any new licenses can be issued. To schedule a hearing, you must complete an application to be heard at least 20 days before the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting. During the hearing, the Commission will review the details of your revocation or suspension to decide if they will issue a PRFC commercial license to you. If you miss the application deadline, your hearing will be postponed to a future Commission meeting.

Oyster Licenses – All persons must pay the Oyster License Surcharge prior to the purchase of any commercial oyster license(s) on or after July 1st of each year. Any boat may have only one set of "OT" and/or "HS" tags, which are required before taking oysters. Each boat is limited to one licensed "operator" who will receive tags and file catch reports as required. Power assist hand tong rigging may not be aboard "HS" vessel. The operator of any "OT" vessel rigged with power assist hand tongs must obtain power assist hand tong boat license in addition to the tong boat operator license.

Clam Licenses - Sign and return receipt for Potomac River clam chart. By making this application you are certifying that you will be the captain, master and/or operator of the boat listed.

Oyster Buy Boat License (Reg. I, Sec. 2(g)) – For each person desiring to purchase any oysters harvested from the Potomac River on the Potomac River, they shall first purchase an Oyster Buy Boat License for a fee of \$250.00, to be used on a vessel at least 40 feet in length. No more than one Oyster Buy Boat License may be issued for use on any single boat. To qualify for a PRFC Oyster Buy Boat license, the applicant must be a certified dealer or working on behalf of a certified dealer on the Interstate Certified Shellfish Shippers List (ICSSL). See Regulation for full details.

All oysters harvested from a Potomac River oyster bar MUST be sold to a PRFC licensed registered buyer.

All registered buyers MUST BE on the FDA Interstate Certified Shellfish Shippers List.

Commercial harvesters are NOT allowed to keep bushels for themselves during a commercial harvest trip.

Bushel Tags – Individual	50 tags = \$25	Individual tags are used for oysters harvested from a single harvest area in any one day and accompanies a single oyster basket.
	100 tags = \$50	
Bulk	50 tags = \$200	Bulk tags are for a single lot by a single harvester, from one oyster bar, and the whole lot is sold to one buyer.
	100 tags = \$400	