



Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

2018-2019 Florida Saltwater Products License (SPL) Application for Individuals

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Licenses are Non-Transferable and Non-Refundable

STEP 1: CONTACT/LICENSE INFORMATION: Renewal? Yes No; License #: SP-

Name: SS#: Social Security Number
Address: Phone:
City: State: Zip: Cell:
Email: DL#: Driver's License Number DOB:

Gender: Male Female Are you a Florida Resident? Yes No Ethnicity: White Black Hispanic Asian Other

STEP 2: SELECT LICENSE TYPE- NOTE: CAN ONLY HAVE 1 INDIVIDUAL OR CREW SPL

Table with 6 columns: License Type, Fee, License Type, Fee, License Type, Fee. Includes Resident, Non-Resident, and Alien options for Individual, Crew, and Vessel SPL.

Only fill out this section if purchasing a Vessel SPL
Note: Must attach a copy of a current vessel registration. Vessel used for harvesting must be registered for Commercial Use.
Vessel Number: Vessel Name:

STEP 3: SELECT ENDORSEMENT(S) TO ADD TO SPL

Table of endorsements with fees. Includes Restricted Species (RS), Shellfish (BV), Stone Crab, Spiny Lobster, Blue Crab, and Marine Life endorsements.

* Buoy Color: (C): (X): (VH/VS/VN):

Credit- If you have purchased an Apalachicola Bay Oyster Harvesting (AP-\$100) or a Commercial Food or Live Shrimp Production St Johns Area (DS/LS-\$250) license...
Subtotal: \$
Credit: -\$
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO FWC: \$

Under Penalty of Perjury, I declare that I have read and understand the contents of this application and that the facts are true. In addition to any civil or criminal penalties imposed by the court, violations of may result in administrative penalties imposed by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission...



Signature Date

AP/DS/LS Credits

AP/DS/LS CREDITS: If you purchased an Apalachicola Bay Oyster Harvesting (AP- \$100) or a Commercial Food or Live Shrimp Production St Johns Area (DS/LS - \$250) license for the 2018-2019 fishing year, you may deduct the fee paid from the amount due for your SPL. You cannot deduct an amount greater than the amount paid for your SPL. For example, if you purchased an LS for \$250, and you are applying for a \$100 Resident Vessel SPL License, then the allowable credit would be \$100. (You must attach a copy of your AP or DS/LS)

Saltwater Products License (SPL) Requirements

SPL – Required to harvest over the recreational bag limit of species with an established bag limit or more than 100 pounds or 2 fish per person per day (whichever is greater) of a species that does not have an established bag limit, to sell harvested saltwater products, or to use certain gear (ss. 379.361, F.S. & Chapter 68B, F.A.C.). A corporation may not hold an individual license. A vessel SPL covers all occupants on the vessel and the license holder does not need to be present. An individual crew SPL covers all occupants on any vessel but the license holder does have to be present at all times. **Additional federal permit requirements apply.** Call the National Marine Fisheries Service at (727) 824-5326 for details. State and federal park permit requirements apply within park boundaries. Contact park personnel before harvesting in a park.

Endorsement Information

Restricted Species (RS) - Required to harvest in commercial quantities and/or to sell “Restricted Species”. Unless otherwise exempted, acceptable proof of income from the sale of saltwater products to a licensed FL wholesale dealer is required. **Requires a separate application.**

Blue Crab (VH#, VS#, VN#) - RS required. Not available to new applicants. Required to use more than five traps, harvest in commercial quantities, or to sell blue crab. Must provide buoy colors on the application. New entries into the fishery must transfer an endorsement from an entity that has an existing VH or VS (**VN is non-transferable**). Transfer forms are available at myfwc.com or from the Office of Licensing & Permitting at (850) 487-3122. **Must renew by September 30 or the endorsement will be forfeited.**

Blue Crab Incidental Take (VI#) – X# required **or** persons who can demonstrate landings of blue crabs caught as bycatch by shrimp gears that were used to lawfully harvest shrimp pursuant to commission trip tickets. The amount cannot exceed 200 pounds of blue crabs per vessel per trip. **Not allowed with a Blue Crab Endorsement (VH#, VS#, or VN#).**

Spiny Lobster (C#) - RS is required. Required to use traps, or harvest in commercial quantities, or sell spiny lobster. All traps require trap certificates/tags. Must provide buoy colors on the application.

Spiny Lobster Commercial Dive (CD#) - RS is required. Not available to new applicants. Required to harvest in commercial quantities by diving or selling spiny lobster taken by diving. May not be issued on more than one vessel SPL per applicant. Vessel SPL and C# are required. Cannot be held with spiny lobster trap tag certificates. **Must renew by September 30 or the endorsement will be forfeited.**

Stone Crab (X#) - RS is required. Required to harvest with more than five traps or harvest in commercial quantities or sell stone crab claws. All traps require trap certificates/ tags. Must provide buoy colors on the application.

Stone Crab Incidental Take (I#) - C# and/or V# required. Required to land up to five gallons of claws harvested from lawful blue crab or spiny lobster traps per day. **Not allowed with a Stone Crab Endorsement (X#).**

Sponge (Q#) - Required to harvest in commercial quantities or to sell commercial sponges.

Lampara Net (L#) - PS# required. Not available to new applicants. Required to possess or harvest a quantity of ballyhoo greater than 10 gallons of fish per person or per vessel per day. New entries into the fishery must transfer an endorsement from an entity that has an existing L#. Transfer forms are available at myfwc.com or from the Office of Licensing & Permitting at (850) 487-3122. **Must renew by September 30 or the endorsement will be forfeited.**

Marine Life (ML#) – RS is required. Not available to new applicants. In addition to a valid saltwater products license with a valid restricted species endorsement, a marine life tiered endorsement is required to harvest marine life species in quantities greater than the recreational bag limit or to sell marine life species as defined by Rule 68B-42.001, F.A.C. – New entries into the fishery must transfer an endorsement from an entity that has an existing MLD or MLB, (**MLN is non-transferable**). Transfer forms are available at myfwc.com or from the Office of Licensing and Permitting at (850) 487-3122. **Must renew by September 30 or the endorsement will be forfeited.**

Quinaldine (SA) – MLD or MLN required. Required to use chemicals to collect “Marine Life” species.

Pompano (P#) - RS is required. **Vessel SPL only.** Required to possess more than 250 pompano harvested with a gill net in federal waters in a designated area between Cape Sable and Hurricane Pass. **Must complete a separate application for new endorsement.**

Purse Seine (PS#) - Required on each purse seine used in state waters. Net limitations apply.

Shellfish (BV#) – Beginning July 1, 2015, all Saltwater Products License (SPL) holders who commercially harvest, possess or sell oysters or hard clams (quahogs) and do not have either an AP license or an aquaculture certificate issued by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) are required to have a Shellfish Endorsement. To receive this free endorsement, SPL holders are required to take the Shellfish Endorsement Harvester Training Course on an annual basis. For more information on this training course, please visit MyFWC.com/shellfish.

Reference Chapter 68 of the Florida Administrative Code or Chapter 379 of the Florida Statutes for additional information.

Visit us at <http://myfwc.com/license/saltwater/commercial-fishing/>

Pursuant to the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), any person requiring special accommodations is asked to contact the ADA Coordinator at (850) 488-6411. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Commission by calling Florida Relay Service at (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Voice).

The Licensing and Permitting office is located in the Koger Executive Center, Berkeley Building, 2590 Executive Center Circle East, Suite 101, Tallahassee, Florida, 32301 at the corner of Old St. Augustine Road and Executive Center Circle East.

Office hours are from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday (excluding state holidays). Walk -in Counter hours are 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Do not mail payments and applications to the street address as this may delay processing.