



## Commercial License Application Instructions

Applying by Mail: You may apply for commercial licenses by mail by filling out this application and submitting it with the fees and copies of supporting documentation to:

Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Commercial License Section  
PO Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898

Payments Accepted by Mail: personal check, money order, or cashier's check made payable to LA Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries

Applying in Person: You may apply for commercial licenses in person at our Baton Rouge office using this form. The Baton Rouge office is located at:  
2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Payments Accepted in Person: cash, personal check, money order, cashier's check, and credit cards.

\*If paying by credit card, there is a 3% fee. We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express

Renewing Online: You may renew your license(s) held in the immediate prior year online at <https://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/>. When renewing online, there is a convenience fee.

- All applications must be signed by the applicant.
- A copy of your driver's license or state issued ID must be submitted.
- Certain permits require the vessel registration number. To avoid a delay in processing your application, make sure to mail a copy of your current vessel registration with the application.
- If you are fishing south of the saltwater line, you must apply for a vessel license and attach a copy of your current vessel registration.  
**\*\*Does not apply to Charter Captains applying for a guide license\*\***
- When applying for a first-time license in a business name you must submit proof of the federal tax ID number (EIN), proof that the business is properly registered, and a copy of the signing applicant's driver's license.

Residency: Any person, corporation, or other legal entity which possesses a resident license from any other state or country shall not qualify for a resident license in Louisiana.

**For more information about license requirements and regulations, please refer to the commercial fishing regulations booklet available online.**

Code	Description	Resident	Non-Resident	Code	Description	Resident	Non-Resident
11A/31A	COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN	\$96.00	\$620.00	J6	TRIPLOID CARP POSS/TRANS PERMIT<500 (expires 1 yr from date of purchase)	\$50.00	\$50.00
SEA	SENIOR COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN (gear required)	\$50.00	N/A	J7	TRIPLOID CARP POSS/TRANS > 500 (expires 1 yr from date of purchase)	\$50.00	\$50.00
T2A/T1A	GULF SEAFOOD TRAVERSING & OFFLOADING	\$75.00	\$800.00	J8	TRIPLOID GRASS CARP- SALES PERMIT	\$100.00	\$100.00
H7A/H8A	FRESH PRODUCTS	\$61.00	\$300.00	53A/55A	SEAFOOD WHOLESALE/RETAIL-BUSINESS (stationary building)	\$550.00	\$2200.00
HAA	FRESH PRODUCTS-OTHER	\$5.00	N/A	54A/56A	SEAFOOD WHOLESALE/RETAIL-VEHICLE	\$550.00	\$2200.00
18A/19A	VESSEL LICENSE (1st licensed vessel) <sup>1,2</sup>	\$50.00	\$400.00	G1A/G2A	SEAFOOD RETAIL DEALER-BUSINESS (stationary building)	\$167.50	\$432.50
18B/19A	VESSEL LICENSE (2nd license vessel) <sup>1,2</sup>	\$35.00		G6A/G7A	SEAFOOD RETAIL DEALER-VEHICLE	\$167.50	\$432.50
18C/19A	VESSEL LICENSE (3rd and additional licensed vessels) <sup>1,2</sup>	\$20.00		24A	SEAFOOD TRANSPORT	\$83.00	\$83.00
03A/42A	OYSTER TONG - Per Tong	\$50.00	\$400.00	HKA/HLA	4-YEAR SEAFOOD WHOLESALE/RETAIL-BUSINESS (stationary building)	\$2200.00	\$8800.00
04A/05A	OYSTER SCRAPER - Per Scraper (previously named Dredge)	\$50.00	\$400.00	HMA/HNA	4-YEAR SEAFOOD WHOLESALE/RETAIL-VEHICLE	\$2200.00	\$8800.00
29A/30A	OYSTER HARVESTER (Commercial Fisherman required)	\$100.00	\$400.00	HOA	4-YEAR SEAFOOD TRANSPORT WHOLESALE/RETAIL DEALER	\$226.00	\$226.00
D9	OUT OF STATE OYSTER LANDING PERMIT (vessel number required) <sup>2</sup>	\$100.00	\$100.00	HGA/HHA	4-YEAR SEAFOOD RETAIL DEALER-BUSINESS (stationary building)	\$670.00	\$1,730.00
I6/I7	OYSTER CARGO VESSEL PERMIT (vessel number required) <sup>2</sup>	\$250.00	\$1105.00	HIA/HJA	4-YEAR SEAFOOD RETAIL DEALER-VEHICLE	\$670.00	\$1,730.00
J5	CALCASIEU LAKE OYSTER HARVEST PERMIT	\$0.00	\$0.00	HPA	4-YEAR SEAFOOD TRANSPORT RETAIL DEALER	\$226.00	\$226.00
K1A/K2A	OYSTER SEED GROUND VESSEL PERMIT (vessel number required) <sup>2</sup>	\$50.00	\$200.00	J1A	WHOLESALE OUT OF STATE CRAB SHIPPING LICENSE	\$240.00	\$240.00
S1A/S2A	OYSTER SEED GROUND GEAR PERMIT (per scraper)	\$200.00	\$800.00	J2A	RETAIL OUT OF STATE CRAB SHIPPING LICENSE	\$100.00	\$100.00
25A/26A	SHRIMP TRAWL - per net	\$25.00	\$100.00	E3A/E4A	SALTWATER CHARTER GUIDE UP TO 6 PASSENGERS	\$300.00	\$2000.00
35A/36A	BUTTERFLY NET - per net	\$25.00	\$100.00	E5A/E6A	SALTWATER CHARTER GUIDE OVER 6 PASSENGERS	\$700.00	\$2,500.00
A1A/A2A	SKIMMER NETS - per net	\$25.00	\$100.00	EAA/EBA	FRESHWATER CHARTER GUIDE	\$150.00	\$1,000.00
I1/I2	SHRIMP GEAR FEE (required once per year for any number of shrimp nets)	\$10.00	\$40.00	X1A	CHARTER MOTHERSHIP UP TO 6 SKIFFS	\$1500.00	\$1500.00
SB	SPECIAL BAIT PERMIT	\$110.00		X3A	CHARTER MOTHERSHIP OVER 6 SKIFFS	\$3000.00	\$3000.00
SF	SPECIAL BAIT PERMIT BOND FEE	\$1000.00		X2A	CHARTER SKIFF - per skiff	\$75.00	\$75.00
46A/47A	CRAB TRAP - any legal number	\$50.00	\$200.00	B1A/B2A	REPTILE & AMPHIBIAN COLLECTOR	\$55.00	\$420.00
D7/D8	CRAWFISH TRAPS - any legal number	\$25.00	\$100.00	A7A	REPTILE & AMPHIBIAN COLLECTOR YOUTH	\$10.00	
SWA/SXA	OTHER FRESHWATER GEAR	\$50.00	\$200.00	A8A/A9A	REPTILE & AMPHIBIAN TRANSPORT	\$65.00	\$250.00
HCA/HDA	FRESHWATER SHAD SEINE	\$50.00	\$200.00	B3A/B4A	REPTILE & AMPHIBIAN WHOLESALE/RETAIL DEALER	\$220.00	\$880.00
HEA/HFA	SHAD GILL NET SPECIFIC AREAS	\$37.50	\$200.00	I5A	3-DAY REPTILE & AMPHIBIAN WHOLESALE/RETAIL DEALER	N/A	\$150.00
HQA	FRESHWATER SHRIMP NET	\$25.00		44A	ALLIGATOR PARTS RETAILER (valid from July 1 – June 30)	\$10.00	\$10.00
SUA/SVA	OTHER SALTWATER GEAR	\$50.00	\$200.00	48A	ALLIGATOR PARTS DEALER (valid from July 1 – June 30)	\$105.00	\$105.00
20A/39A	PURSE/MENHADEN SEINE - per seine	\$2000.00	\$8000.00	07A/09A	FUR BUYER (valid from July 1 – June 30)	\$55.00	\$215.00
85/86	MULLET PERMIT	\$300.00	\$1200.00	08A/10A	FUR DEALER (valid from July 1 – June 30)	\$400.00	\$800.00
C1A/C2A	MULLET STRIKE NET	\$275.00	\$1100.00	HYA/HZA	HUNTING GUIDE (valid from July 1 – June 30)	\$150.00	\$600.00
E7/E8	POMPANO PERMIT	\$0.00	\$0.00	02A	GAME BREEDER	\$50.00	
C3A/C4A	POMPANO STRIKE NET	\$300.00	\$1200.00	A5	GAME BREEDER INSPECTION FEE	\$100.00	
C5A/C6A	SALTWATER ROD & REEL	\$350.00	\$1,400.00	CT	COYOTE TRAPPING PERMIT	\$25.00	
C7A/C8A	SPOTTED SEA TROUT PERMIT	\$150.00	\$600.00	K3A	NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL OPERATOR	\$50.00	
Z5A	SHARK PERMIT	\$25.00	\$25.00	K4	WILDLIFE REHABILITATOR (DEER-ALLOWED)	\$0.00	\$0.00
G8A/G9A	APPRENTICE	\$37.50	\$287.50	K5	WILDLIFE REHABILITATOR (NO DEER)	\$0.00	\$0.00
B5/B6	MUSSEL BUYER'S PERMIT	\$150.00	\$600.00	K6	WILD REHABILITATOR (DEER RVS)	\$0.00	\$0.00
B7/B8	MUSSEL HARVESTER PERMIT	\$100.00	\$1,000.00	K7	WILD REHABILITATOR (NO DEER RVS)	\$0.00	\$0.00
J3A/J4A	DOMESTIC AQUATIC ORGANISM	\$25.00	\$500.00	32A	NON-GAME QUADRUPED EXHIBITOR	\$20.00	\$20.00
01A	RES HUNTING PRESERVE	\$420.00		33A	NON-GAME QUADRUPED BREEDER	\$50.00	\$50.00

<sup>1</sup>Required south of the saltwater line

<sup>2</sup>These licenses require a copy of the vessel registration to be submitted with the application.