



## **NON-RESIDENT LANDING PERMITS** **RENEWALS**

### **1. Purpose:**

- A Landing Permit or a valid Rhode Island commercial fishing license with the appropriate fishery endorsement(s), but not both a permit and license, is required to off-load any seafood product legally harvested outside of Rhode Island waters for sale or intended sale in Rhode Island, or to secure a vessel with the seafood products on board to a shoreside facility where the products may be off-loaded for sale or intended sale.

### **2. Eligibility:**

- Any non-resident who holds a valid federal commercial fishing license or permit, or a valid commercial fishing license or permit issued by another state, may obtain one or more of the following Non-Resident Landing Permits: Non-Restricted Finfish, Shellfish, Crustacean, and Multi-Purpose.
- Any non-resident who holds a valid federal commercial fishing license or permit, or a valid commercial fishing license or permit issued by another state, and wants to renew their Non-Resident Landing Permit to land restricted finfish, may do so by obtaining a new Non-Resident Restricted Finfish Landing Permit; provided that the applicant can show evidence of Rhode Island landings of more than one thousand pounds of scup, summer flounder, black sea bass, tautog, striped bass, and/or winter flounder in four of the past five years (i.e., since 1998); and further provided that the applicant has not upgraded his or her vessel by more than 20 percent in length, displacement, or horsepower since the 2002 landing permit was obtained.

### **3. Available Landing Permits in 2003 for Non-Residents:**

#### **(1) Non-Resident Non-Restricted Finfish Landing Permit (\$400)**

- This permit allows the holder to land, sell, and/or offer for sale *any non-restricted finfish species*, in accordance with applicable regulations. This non-restricted finfish category includes all finfish species *except scup, summer flounder, black sea bass, tautog, striped bass, and winter flounder*.
- For listing of applicable regulations governing finfish, see DEM's website ([www.state.ri.us/dem](http://www.state.ri.us/dem)) and click "topics" and then "marine fisheries"; as well as hand-outs available at DEM's Office of Boat Registration and Licensing.

- (2) **Non-Resident Shellfish Landing Permit (\$400)**
- This permit allows the holder to land, sell, and/or offer for sale *any shellfish species*, in accordance with applicable regulations.
  - For listing of applicable regulations governing shellfish, see DEM’s website ([www.state.ri.us/dem](http://www.state.ri.us/dem)) and click “topics” and then “marine fisheries”; as well as hand-outs available at DEM’s Office of Boat Registration and Licensing.
- (3) **Non-Resident Crustacean Landing Permit (\$400)**
- This permit allows the holder to land, sell, and/or offer for sale *lobsters and any species of crabs*, in accordance with applicable regulations.
  - For listing of applicable regulations governing lobsters and crabs, see DEM’s website ([www.state.ri.us/dem](http://www.state.ri.us/dem)) and click “topics” and then “marine fisheries”; as well as hand-outs available at DEM’s Office of Boat Registration and Licensing.
- (4) **Non-Resident Multi-Purpose Landing Permit (\$600)**
- This permit allows the holder to land, sell, and/or offer for sale *any marine species or product except restricted finfish species* (i.e., all species and products except scup, summer flounder, black sea bass, tautog, striped bass, and winter flounder), in accordance with applicable regulations.
  - For listing of applicable regulations governing marine species, see DEM’s website ([www.state.ri.us/dem](http://www.state.ri.us/dem)) and click “topics” and then “marine fisheries”; as well as hand-outs available at DEM’s Office of Boat Registration and Licensing.
- (5) **Non-Resident Restricted Finfish Landing Permit (\$400)**
- This permit allows the holder to land, sell, and/or offer for sale *any restricted finfish species*. This restricted finfish category includes and is limited to the following six species: scup, summer flounder, black sea bass, tautog, striped bass, and winter flounder.
  - This permit is only available, per renewal, for non-residents who can show evidence of Rhode Island landings of more than one thousand pounds of scup, summer flounder, black sea bass, tautog, striped bass, and/or winter flounder in four of the past five years (i.e., since 1998); and who certify that they have not upgraded their vessels by more than 20 percent in length, displacement, or horsepower since their 2002 landing permit was obtained.
  - The \$400 permit fee shall be waived for qualified applicants who also obtain a Non-Resident Multi-Purpose Landing Permit.

#### 4. **When and How to Apply:**

- New landing permits for 2003 will be available anytime after January 1, 2003. Renewals may be obtained beginning December 16, 2002. Applications must be made in person at DEM during regular business hours, or sent to DEM via mail. There is no application deadline associated with landing permits; they may be obtained at any time during the license year.

**5. Information to be Provided with each Application:**

- Full name
- Age
- Residence address
- Mailing address
- Weight
- Height
- Hair color
- Eye color
- Federal or state commercial fishing license
- Vessel length, displacement, and horsepower
- Documentation and certification relating to the Non-Resident Restricted Finfish Landing Permit requirements, if applying for that permit
- The name of any state or jurisdiction in which the applicant's commercial fishing license and/or permit is currently revoked or suspended
- Driver's License number and state of issuance, or other state-issued photo identification card
- Signature

**[Note: Vessel declarations are not required for vessels with landing permits that fish exclusively outside of Rhode Island waters.]**