



North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality

Division of Marine Fisheries

ATLANTIC OCEAN STRIPED BASS COMMERCIAL GEAR PERMIT APPLICATION

This permit is required to participate in the commercial striped bass fishery in the Atlantic Ocean. Only one permit per person or business is allowed. Persons with assigned SCFL's are eligible for a permit. Gear declarations are binding for three years.

Applicant Name

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix	Date of Birth / / MO DAY YEAR
Phone Number	Participant ID (if known)	License No. (SCFL/RSCFL) to link permit to		

Business Applicant Information

Business Name	Business Agent Name (First, MI,	Participant ID

Type of Application (check box that applies)

<input type="checkbox"/>	New Application	<input type="checkbox"/>	Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Update	<input type="checkbox"/>	Replacement
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*if you have not previously held a striped bass gear permit then this is a new application. New applications require the signature to be notarized.

Gear Declaration (only one gear can be selected and if this is a renewal it must be the same gear as previously declared)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Beach Seine	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trawl	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gill Net		
If Gill Net, please also choose boat based and/or shore				<input type="checkbox"/>	Boat Based	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shore Based

Please sign and date the following permit certification:

1. All the information provided and any supporting documentation provided is true, accurate, and complete. For renewals, any changes in information or supporting documents have been provided at the time of renewal.
2. I, and all listed designees, currently have no marine fisheries licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations under suspension or revocation, and the privilege to hold such licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations is not revoked or suspended.
3. I, and all listed designees, have not been convicted of four or more violations in any jurisdiction related to state or federal law or regulations involving or related to marine or estuarine resources.
4. I have been provided a copy of the NC Rules for Coastal Fishing Waters containing the rules and conditions that apply to this permit and/or a copy of the Permit Condition Form for permits whose conditions are stated in proclamation.
5. I understand that as a condition of accepting this permit from the Division of Marine Fisheries, I agree to abide by all conditions of this permit and agree, that if specific conditions of this permit as identified for this permit are violated, or if false information was provided in the application for initial issuance, renewal or transfer, this permit may be suspended or revoked by the Fisheries Director.

I understand that any false information or fraudulent disclosures may result in termination of this permit and possible criminal prosecution.

Date Signed: _____

Signature of Permittee: _____

NOTARY (for NEW permit applications only)

State: _____

County: _____

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this _____ day of _____

Notary Public: _____ My Commission expires: _____

Return completed application to NCDMF:

NC Division of Marine Fisheries
License Office
PO Box 769
Morehead City, NC 28557



**North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
Division of Marine Fisheries
PERMIT APPLICATION CERTIFICATION & GENERAL PERMIT
CONDITIONS FORM
(REV 2025-12)**

OFFICE USE ONLY	Year _____
PID # _____	
PERMIT # _____	
DMF Staff: _____	

Certification Statement (This section must be completed by applicant)

- I, _____ certify that:
- All the information provided on this application and any supporting documentation provided is true, accurate, and complete. And further, for renewals, any changes in information or supporting documents have been provided at the time of renewal. I understand that any false information or fraudulent disclosures may result in termination of appropriate licenses, permits and related documents, revocation or suspension of marine fisheries licensing and other privileges, and in possible criminal prosecution.
 - I am a resident of the State of: _____
If claiming resident status in North Carolina, I certify further that (check one):
 I have been a legal resident for more than six months, or
 If domiciled in North Carolina between 60 days and six months, I have completed and submitted with this application a notarized Certificate of Eligibility for North Carolina Residency.
 - For permits, I certify that:
 - I currently have no marine fisheries licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations under suspension or revocation and the privilege to hold such licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations is not revoked or suspended.
 - I have not been convicted of four or more violations in any jurisdiction related to state or federal law or regulations involving or related to marine or estuarine resources during the previous three years.
 - I understand that as a condition of accepting a permit from the Division of Marine Fisheries, I agree to abide by all conditions of the permit and agree, that if conditions of the permit as identified for the permit are violated, or if false information was provided in the application for initial issuance, renewal or transfer, the permit may be suspended or revoked by the Fisheries Director.
 - NC General Statute §113-221 requires the NC Division of Marine Fisheries to provide a current copy of the rules governing activities authorized by the license you are purchasing. You have the right to request a current rulebook in hardbound. The document is available on the Division of Marine Fisheries website on the "Rules and Regulations" webpage at <http://deq.nc.gov/dmf-rules>.
 - I have been provided a copy of the permit rules and conditions that apply. I acknowledge failure to abide by all permit rules as well as conditions may result in suspension or revocation of the permit. For violation of general or specific permit conditions, permits may be suspended or revoked for 10 days, 30 days, or up to 6 months depending on the 3-year history of violations.

15A NCAC 03O .0502 Permit Conditions: General

- It shall be unlawful to violate any permit condition.
- The following conditions shall apply to all permits issued by the Fisheries Director:
 - it shall be unlawful to:
 - operate under the permit except in areas, at times, and under conditions specified on the permit.
 - operate under a permit without having the permit or copy thereof in possession of the permittee or the permittee's designees at all times of operation and the permit or copy thereof shall be ready at hand for inspection, except for a Pound Net Set Permit.
 - operate under a permit without having a current picture identification in possession and ready at hand for inspection.
 - refuse to allow inspection and sampling of a permitted activity by an agent of the Division of Marine Fisheries.
 - fail to provide complete and accurate information requested by the Division in connection with the permitted activity.
 - provide false information in the application for initial issuance, renewal, or transfer of a permit.
 - hold a permit issued by the Fisheries Director if not eligible to hold any license required as a condition for that permit as stated in Rule .0501 of this Section.
 - fail to provide reports within the timeframe required by the specific permit conditions.
 - fail to keep such records and accounts as required by the rules in this Chapter for determination of conservation policy, equitable and efficient administration and enforcement, or promotion of commercial or recreational fisheries.
 - assign or transfer permits issued by the Fisheries Director, except for a Pound Net Set Permit as authorized by 15A NCAC 03J .0504.
 - the Fisheries Director or the Fisheries Director's agent may, by conditions of the permit, impose on a commercial fishing operation and for recreational purposes any of the following restrictions for the permitted purposes:
 - specify time;
 - specify area;
 - specify means and methods;
 - specify record keeping and reporting requirements;
 - specify season;
 - specify species;
 - specify size;
 - specify quantity;
 - specify disposition of resources;
 - specify marking requirements; and
 - specify harvest conditions.
 - unless specifically stated as a condition on the permit, all statutes, rules, and proclamations shall apply to the permittee and the permittee's designees.

I understand that any violation of permit conditions may result in suspension or revocation of the permit.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

NOTARY

State: _____ County: _____

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this _____ day and year of _____, _____

Notary Public: _____ My Commission expires: _____



**North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
Division of Marine Fisheries
ATLANTIC OCEAN STRIPED BASS COMMERCIAL GEAR
PERMIT SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FORM
(REV 2025-12)**

OFFICE USE ONLY	Year _____
PID # _____	
PERMIT # _____	
DMF Staff: _____	
CA/CC/CH _____	BANK _____
CH# _____	AMT _____

For violation of specific permit conditions (as specified on this form), an Atlantic Ocean Striped Bass Commercial Gear Permit may be suspended or revoked in accordance with 15A NCAC 03O .0504.

Legal Authority:

Authority for the Atlantic Ocean Striped Bass Commercial Gear Permit is specified through proclamation authorized by G.S. 113-169.1(b), G.S. 113-182.1, G.S. 113-221.1, 15A NCAC 03M .0201, 03M .0204, 03M .0512, 03O .0501, 03O .0502, and 03O .0503.

Specific Permit Conditions:

It shall be unlawful to take striped bass from the Atlantic Ocean in a commercial fishing operation without first obtaining an Atlantic Ocean Striped Bass Commercial Gear Permit. **15A NCAC 03O .0503(b)(1)**

It shall be unlawful to obtain more than one Atlantic Ocean Striped Bass Commercial Gear Permit during a license year, regardless of the number of Standard Commercial Fishing licenses, Retired Standard Commercial Fishing licenses, or assignments. **15A NCAC 03O .0503(b)(2)**

An applicant for an Atlantic Ocean Striped Bass Commercial Gear Permit shall declare one of the following types of gear for an initial permit and at intervals of three consecutive license years thereafter:

- (A) a gill net;
- (B) a trawl net; or
- (C) a beach seine.

15A NCAC 03O .0501(g)

For the purpose of this Rule, a "beach seine" shall mean a swipe net constructed of multi-filament or multi-fiber webbing fished from the ocean beach that is deployed from a vessel launched from the ocean beach where the fishing operation takes place. Gear declarations shall be binding on the permittee for three consecutive license years without regard to subsequent annual permit issuance. **15A NCAC 03O .0501(g), 03O .0502(a)** (G.S. 113-169.1(b))

It shall be unlawful for a permittee or, anyone engaged in permitted activity, to refuse to allow the Fisheries Director or their agents to obtain biological data, harvest information, statistical data, or harass these agents in any way. Harassment shall be defined consistent with the federal regulation, §50 CFR 600.725(o), (t), and (u), and may be verbal or physical including, but not limited to, sexual connotations, intimidation, resisting, impeding, threatening, bribing, or coercion. **15A NCAC 03O .0502(b)(1)** (G.S. 113-169.1(b))

I understand that any violation of permit conditions may result in suspension or revocation of the permit.

Signature: _____
Permittee signature (**must be signed to be valid**)

_____ Date