



**North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
 Division of Marine Fisheries
 ISSUABLE PERMITS APPLICATION (REV 12-2025)**

PERMIT CATEGORIES

Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net Permit

		Current Permit #		
New		Renew		Update
Replace				
Contact Person (First, MI, Last)		Contact Person Date of Birth		Contact Person Telephone #
		MO	/	DAY / YR ()
Vessel I.D. (P Number)	Crew Members (First, MI, Last):	Date of Birth		Telephone #
	(1)	MO	/	DAY / YR
SCFL or RSCFL License No.	(2)	MO	/	DAY / YR
	(3)	MO	/	DAY / YR



**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
MONKFISH LARGE MESH GILL NET PERMIT
SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FORM
(REV 2025-12)**

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

A single Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net Permit (hereto referred to as Permit) is required for each commercial fishing operation, regardless of the number of persons involved. A fishing operation is defined as all individuals, the vessel actively deploying and fishing gill nets between two miles seaward of COLREGS and three miles seaward of COLREGS from the NC/VA border southward to Wimble Shoals, and all nets used under one Permit and one Standard Commercial Fishing License (SCFL). The operation shall have the Permit in possession at all times while on the water. No more than one vessel shall be listed on one Permit.

An individual shall hold or be assigned a Standard Commercial Fishing License (SCFL) or a Retired Standard Commercial Fishing License to obtain a Permit. When a SCFL is assigned, the Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net Permit shall be issued in the name of the assignee. The vessel used in the commercial fishing operation shall be identified on the Permit application. A change in vessel shall be called into the Division of Marine Fisheries (NCDMF) Communications Center in Morehead City, NC by phone at 1-800-682-2632 or (252) 515-5500 prior to fishing under the Permit.

For violation of specific permit conditions (as specified on this form), permits may be suspended or revoked in accordance with 15A NCAC 030 .0504.

Legal Authority:

Authority for the Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net Permit is specified in G.S. 113-169.1, G.S. 113-182.1, G.S. 113-221.1, 15A NCAC 03M .0512, 03O .0501, 03O .0502, and 03O .0506.

Specific Permit Conditions:

BETWEEN March 16th and April 14th, fishermen participating in the large mesh gill net monkfish fishery between two miles seaward of COLREGS and three miles seaward of COLREGS from the NC/VA border southward to Wimble Shoals shall obtain a Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net Permit. Large mesh gill net is defined as those gill nets constructed of seven inch or larger stretched mesh

It shall be unlawful to fail to Fax or send via electronic mail every Tuesday by 5:00 P.M. to the Permit Coordinator, on forms provided by the Division, the required information for each trip under the Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net Permit during the previous week (week runs from the previous Monday through Sunday). If the dealer is unable to fax or electronic mail the required information, the permittee shall call in the previous week's information. Weekly reports shall be filed even if no trips were made during the previous week. Failure to report or reporting false information may result in the suspension or revocation of the permit; **15A NCAC 030 .0502(a)** (15A NCAC 03O .0506)

The required information:

- Date of Landings
- Dealer Name/Number
- Pounds of Monkfish landed
- Fishing location(s)
- Soak Time (hours)
- Yards of Large Mesh Gill Net Fished
- Sea Surface Temperature
- Bycatch (Number of Sea Turtles and Other Protected Species Caught)
- Condition of all Sea Turtles and Other Protected Species
- Final Disposition of all Sea Turtles and Other Protected Species

It shall be unlawful to fail to report any gill net interactions with sea turtles or other protected species. Reports shall be made within 24 hours of the capture to the Marine Patrol Communications Center by phone (1-800-682-2632 or 252-515-5500). **15A NCAC 030 .0502(a)** (15A NCAC 03O .0506)

It shall be unlawful for Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net permit holders to refuse to allow onboard NCDMF or federal fisheries observers to collect data from gill net fisheries conducted under the Permit. Failure to allow an observer or allow Marine Patrol inspection onboard shall result in revocation of the Monkfish Large Mesh Gill Net Permit. **15A NCAC 030 .0502(a)** (15A NCAC 03O .0506)

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 regulations, 50 CFR §600.725(o), (t), and (u), and may be verbal or physical including, but not limited to, sexual connotations, intimidating, resisting, impeding, threatening, bribing, or coercion. **15A NCAC 030 .0502(b)(1)** (G.S. 113-169.1)

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