



Rhode Island
Department of Environmental Management

DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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RE: Application for the 2014 Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program – Winter sub-period

To Whom It May Concern,

Eligible fishermen wishing to participate in the Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program for the Winter sub-period (February 2 – April 30) must complete the following application.

Once the application is received, reviewed, and accepted by both the Division of Fish and Wildlife, and the Division of Law Enforcement, a permit shall be issued for the vessel.

Keep the following in mind when submitting an application:

- 1.) To participate in the Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program, you must possess a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate.
- 2.) All operators listed on the application must have a valid 2014 commercial fishing license for application approval. Applications will not be processed if any of the operators listed on the application have not been renewed for 2014. Be sure to renew license(s) before submitting this application.
- 3.) The review process may take several days so please plan accordingly, and submit your application as soon as possible.
- 4.) Any applicant who is permitted for the Winter sub-period is not eligible to participate in the Summer sub-period within the same year.

Please review the application and applicable regulations before signing, as they describe the rules and requirements of the program. For any further questions, please contact Tom Rosa at (401) 423-1923 or tom.rosa@dem.ri.gov

Submit completed applications to:

DEM, Division of Fish & Wildlife
Office of Marine Fisheries
3 Fort Wetherill Road
Jamestown, RI 02835
Attn: Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program

APPLICATION FOR THE 2014 SUMMER FLOUNDER AGGREGATE LANDING PROGRAM - WINTER SUB-PERIOD

This application is to obtain from the DEM Division of Fish & Wildlife a permit to land a cumulative landing of up to 2,000 pounds of Summer Flounder per vessel per calendar week in Rhode Island during the Winter sub-period as set forth in RI Marine Fisheries regulations section 7.7.1-1 (regulations in effect as of 1/1/2014) for the above named vessel. Cumulative landings of Summer Flounder for each week period may not exceed 2,000 pounds from Sunday, of the first full week in February, until the Winter sub-period ends on April 30, or until 90% of the sub-period quota has been caught, whichever first occurs.

Conditions:

1. Each fishing week runs from 12:00AM Sunday through 11:59PM Saturday.
2. The operator of any vessel permitted for the Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program shall report the following information to the dealer(s) upon landing: 1) vessel name, 2) vessel Federal Permit Number, 3) operator's RI commercial license number, 4) weight of Summer Flounder landed, and 5) date landed.
3. The above referenced information shall be reported via the Standard Atlantic Fisheries Information System (SAFIS) and by providing a copy of the Vessel Trip Report logbook or the reporting form provided by the Division of Fish and Wildlife to a DEM Law Enforcement officer upon request, including the name(s) and address(es) of the dealer(s) where the Summer Flounder were landed.
4. A copy of the Vessel Trip Report logbook or the reporting form provided by the Division of Fish and Wildlife must be on board the vessel in numerical order for the entire Winter sub- period and must date back to January 1st.
5. Non-compliance with the provisions of section 7.7.1-1 of Part VII of the RI Marine Fisheries regulations or the enrollment agreement shall subject both the owner and the operator(s) to revocation of enrollment and participation in the Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program for the subsequent Winter sub-period fishery. If for any reason a Winter sub-period fishery does not exist by regulation, the owner(s) and operator(s) privilege to commercially fish will be suspended for the same calendar time period as described in the current Winter sub-period upon adjudication. Additionally, imposition of a penalty pursuant to section 3.3 (RIGL 20-3-3) of Part III of the RI Marine Fisheries regulations, and the Rules and Regulations Governing the Suspension/Revocation of Commercial Marine Fisheries, Shellfish Buyer, Lobster Dealer, Finfish Dealer, and Multi-purpose Dealer, licenses issued pursuant to Title 20 of RIGL "Fish and Wildlife".
6. The Winter sub-period ends on April 30th, or when 90% of the Winter 1 quota has been harvested as determined by Rhode Island Division of Fish and Wildlife and/or the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), whichever first occurs. The possession limit for summer flounder, per vessel, will be 300 pounds per vessel per calendar day upon termination of the program. The Division of Fish and Wildlife will provide notice of the termination of the program.
7. By signing below the individual(s) agree(s) to follow the Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program agreement and the program regulations as set forth in RI Marine Fisheries regulations section 7.7.1-1. **The owner and any individuals who will be operating the permitted vessel must sign below.**

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Vessel Name: _____	
Owner Name (print): _____	
Owner signature: _____	DOB: _____
Rhode Island Commercial Fishing License Number: _____	
Mailing address: _____	Zip: _____
Phone number(s): _____	
Email: _____	
Rhode Island Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate Number: _____	
Vessel Federal Permit Number (if applicable): _____	

Operator (1)* Name (Print): _____

Operator (1) Signature: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Rhode Island Commercial License Number: _____

Operator (2) Name (Print): _____

Operator (2) Signature: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Rhode Island Commercial License Number: _____

Operator (3) Name (Print): _____

Operator (3) Signature: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Rhode Island Commercial License Number: _____

Operator (4) Name (Print): _____

Operator (4) Signature: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Rhode Island Commercial License Number: _____

*** If owner is also an operator, identify as operator (1)**