

Marine Fisheries

Commercial Fishing Vessel Registration (CFVR)

What Activities Require This License? The Commercial Fishing Vessel Registration (CFVR) is required if a vessel is going to be engaged in a commercial fishing operation.

What Is The Purpose of This License? To license and identify vessels used in commercial fishing operations.

Who Issues This License? Division of Marine Fisheries, License and Statistics Section.

How Much Will This License Cost? Cost is based on vessel length:

- 0-18 feet = \$1.25/ft.
- 18-38 feet = \$1.90 /ft.
- 38-50 feet = \$3.75/ft.
- over 50 feet = \$7.50/ft.

What Are My Payment Options for License Application Fees? Check, cash, or credit card.

If Paying by Check, Who do I Make the Check Payable to and Where Do I Send the Check? If applying in-person for a license at any NCDMF Office, the application and check, cash, or credit card are submitted at the time of purchase. If renewing a license by mail the applicant must submit the application and check to the NCDMF, License Office, PO Box 769, Morehead City, NC 28557. Please make all checks payable to NCDMF.

Where Can I Get The Application For This License? Contact any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries license office. Visit the following link for license sales locations: <https://www.deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries/about-division-marine-fisheries/division-marine-fisheries-offices>.

How Long Will It Take To Review My Application? No review required for this license. Any North Carolina resident or nonresident may obtain this license.

Where Do I Submit My Application? Any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries License Office. Visit the following link for license sales contact information: <https://www.deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries/about-division-marine-fisheries/division-marine-fisheries-offices>.

How Long Is My License Valid? All licenses are valid for up to one year and expire on June 30th.

Notes/Comments: This license is transferable if current. Replacing or transferring current valid license is \$10.

Legal Authority/Statute Reference: General Statute 113-168.6, NC Fisheries Rules for Coastal Waters 15A NCAC 30.0101(a).

Link: <http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries>

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