

Marine Fisheries

Pound Net Set Permit

What Activities Require This Permit? The use of a pound net or any part of one in joint or coastal fishing waters of North Carolina.

What Is the Purpose of This Permit? To identify the locations of pounds nets in joint and coastal fishing waters.

Who Issues This Permit? N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), Fisheries Management Section.

How Much Will This Permit Cost? No cost.

What Are My Payment Options for Permit Application Fees? Not applicable.

If Paying by Check, Who do I Make the Check Payable to and Where Do I Send the Check? Not applicable.

Where Can I Get the Application for This Permit? Division of Marine Fisheries, Fisheries Management Office in Morehead City; phone: 1-800-682-2632 or email pound.nets@deq.nc.gov.

How Long Will It Take to Review My Application? A 90-day application process begins once the completed application is received by the Fisheries Management office. During this process, there is a 20-day public notice period during which staff and the public may comment upon the proposed pound net set.

Where Do I Submit My Application? N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries, Fisheries Management Office, 3441 Arendell St., PO Box 769, Morehead City, NC 28557 or email pound.nets@deq.nc.gov.

How Long Is My Permit or License or Certificate Valid? Permits are valid for one year from date of issuance.

Notes/Comments: Contact Marine Patrol Communications for a Marine Patrol Officer on details for pound net set locating, marking, and maintaining them. Must have a valid Standard Commercial Fishing License (SCFL)/Retired Standard Commercial Fishing License (RSCFL).

Legal Authority/Statute Reference: General Statute 113-169.1 and 113-221.1, NC Fisheries Rules for Coastal Waters 15A NCAC 03J.0501, 03J.0502, 03J.0503, 03J.0504, 03J0505, 03O.0501, 03O.0502 and 03O.0503.

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

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