



**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCE**  
**APPLICATION TO TRANSFER COMMERCIAL TIDAL FISH LICENSE**

**PERMANENT TRANSFER:** Both the transferor (person transferring the license or authorization, hereinafter 'license') and transferee (person receiving the license) must sign this application to **permanently** transfer a commercial tidal fish license. The original license being transferred, and a completed Commercial Tidal Fish License Application (DNR C-1) signed by the transferee must accompany this application.

**Family Transfer** - Indicate relationship of transferor to transferee \_\_\_\_\_  
 Both the transferor and transferee must be present with photo identification.

**Beneficiary Transfer** – Attach copy of death certificate and proof of beneficiary registration.

**Business Transfer** - Attach copy of tidal fish licenses held by transferor for each of the 2 immediately preceding license years.  
 This form must be notarized to support the sale.

**LICENSE TRANSFERRED FROM: (Transferor) (Seller)**

\_\_\_\_ (Initial here) I acknowledge that the license has been temporarily transferred and the temporary transferee has been notified  
 \_\_\_\_ (Initial here) Striped bass permit transfer paperwork reviewed and approved by Fishing and Boating Services

Name \_\_\_\_\_ DNRid# \_\_\_\_\_

License type or Authorization(s) transferred: \_\_\_\_\_ License # \_\_\_\_\_

**LICENSE TRANSFERRED TO: (Transferee) (Buyer)**

Transferee License ID# if Applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ DNRid# \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

**BILL OF SALE**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby sell to \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Seller) (Buyer)

my commercial license/or authorization(s) for the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Tidal Fish License To Be Transferred**

License # \_\_\_\_\_ License Type(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Transferor (Seller) Signature**

**Date**

**Transferee (Buyer) Signature**

**Date**

**NOTARY FOR TRANSFEROR/SELLER**

**NOTARY FOR TRANSFEE/BUYER**

State of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_

State of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Signed (or attested) before

\_\_\_\_\_ Signed (or attested) before

me on the \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_ by

me on the \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_ by

Signature of notarial officer

Signature of notarial officer

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY SEAL

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## COMMERCIAL TIDAL FISH LICENSE TRANSFERS

All transfers are subject to Departmental approval. All licenses must be current to complete a transfer. Forward the license being transferred, the completed application and supporting documents to any DNR Service Center.

The following commercial tidal fish licenses and activities are restricted to Maryland residents: clam harvester, oyster harvester and unlimited tidal fish. The resident fishing guide may not be transferred to a non-resident.

Striped bass harvest permits may be transferred with the fishing license or they may be transferred to another tidal fish licensee without transferring the fishing license. If a licensee transfers a striped bass permit with this license, a permit transfer form must be reviewed and approved by Fisheries and Boating Services prior to the transfer. All striped bass permit transfers must be reviewed by FABS. Please contact Fishing and Boating Services to complete the transfer of the permit. They may be reached at: [fisheriespermittedspecies.dnr@maryland.gov](mailto:fisheriespermittedspecies.dnr@maryland.gov).

### PERMANENT TRANSFERS

- **Family Transfer** – A commercial tidal fish license or authorization can be permanently transferred to an immediate family member provided the transferee pays all license and authorization fees. Immediate family includes spouse, child, stepchild, grandchild, step-grandchild, parent, sibling, grandparent, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, or in-law (father-, mother-, son-, daughter-, sister- or brother-in-law.
- **Beneficiary Transfer** – A deceased licensee’s commercial tidal fish license or authorization can be permanently transferred to the person designated as the beneficiary with the Department by the deceased licensee or their authorized representative. If not being transferred to the beneficiary designated by the Department, attach original Letter of Administration of the Executor of the Estate.
- **Business Transfer** - A tidal fish license or authorization can be transferred permanently to a person who:
  - provides this notarized form evidencing the purchase from the transferor of the commercial fishing license; and
  - paid the license or authorization fees.

The transferor must have held a valid commercial tidal fish license in each of the two immediately preceding license years except, upon the death of the licensee, to the beneficiary designated to the Department.

A commercial tidal fish licensee (**except a fishing guide or master fishing guide**) who has previously recorded their commercial vessel’s state registration or official USCG number with the Department may allow another person to use the vessel (and license) for the authorized commercial activities. The vessel number must be printed on the face of the license and the license must be in the possession of the person using the vessel at all times while engaged in the activities authorized by the license. If an individual chooses to register their vessel on their license, the licensee shall indicate to the Department the assigned individual that may use their license and vessel when the licensee is not on board. The individual assigned to the license may be changed only once during a license year.

The Commercial Tidal Fish License Renewal Application (DNR C-2) is used to record a vessel number as well as to indicate an individual that may use the license and vessel to engage in fishing activities.

All individuals issued a license or authorization(s) under Natural Resources Article, §4-701, Annotated Code of Maryland are subject to all the privileges, rights, laws, and penalties under Natural Resources Article, Title 4, Annotated Code of Maryland.

**YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE PROCESSED AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING  
DNR LICENSING & REGISTRATION SERVICE CENTERS  
BUSINESS HOURS ARE 8:30 TO 4:30 MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
(EXCEPT STATE HOLIDAYS)**

**Please have your commercial tidal fish license number available when calling**

#### **ANNAPOLIS SERVICE CENTER**

160 Harry S Truman Pkwy  
PO Box 1869  
Annapolis, MD 21404  
410-260-3220

***Located inside MVA***

**1-866-344-8889**

**Any Location**

#### **SOLOMONS SERVICE CENTER**

14175 Solomons Island Rd. S  
PO Box 1309  
Solomons, MD 20688  
410-535-3382

***Located inside Visitor Center***

#### **CUMBERLAND SERVICE CENTER**

13300 Winchester Rd. SW  
Cumberland, MD 21502  
301-777-2134

***No Mail: Open T/T***

***Located inside MVA***

***Credit Card only at this Location***

#### **BEL AIR SERVICE CENTER**

501 W. MacPhail Rd. #2  
Bel Air, MD 21014  
410-836-4550

***Located inside MVA***

#### **SALISBURY SERVICE CENTER**

251 Tilghman Rd. Room #2  
Salisbury, MD 21804  
410-713-3840

***Located inside MVA***

#### **CENTREVILLE SERVICE CENTER**

120 Broadway Ave.#5  
Centreville, MD 21617  
40-819-4100

#### **FREDERICK SERVICE CENTER**

1601-A Bowmans Farm Rd.  
Frederick, MD 21701  
240-236-9950

***Located inside MVA***