



MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
FISHING AND BOATING SERVICES  
AQUACULTURE AND INDUSTRY ENHANCEMENT DIVISION

**SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE HARVESTER VERIFICATION  
AND SIGNATURE FORM**

**Please Note:** Obtaining an Aquaculture Declaration in the MD Outdoors system is only necessary once per individual (see below); however, all harvesters are required to verify that they have reviewed the Harvest Education materials at least once every five years. **Individuals who completed their training previously, but have not renewed it within the last five years, are required to re-review the materials, print their full legal name and DNRid, acknowledge their training with a ✓ and sign/date this verification form in order to receive a 2026 Shellfish Aquaculture Harvester Permit or Registration Card.** Only original or digitally certified signatures will be accepted.

In the spaces below, please list each **NEW** Registrant that you wish to have registered **and** all existing cardholders who need to renew their harvester training. If this form is being completed in association with annual harvester permit renewal, the last-trained date for each Permittee or Registrant currently affiliated with your lease will appear on the Shellfish Aquaculture Harvester Permit Renewal Form enclosed with your annual mailing. Next to each printed name, record the DNRid and Aquaculture Declaration transaction number (if newly obtained). Each harvester must **✓** and sign acknowledging that they have read and reviewed the harvester education materials. Please ensure that all of the required elements are submitted. Submission of an incomplete form may delay the permitting of your lease. For additional space, please use the back of this form or submit additional copies, ensuring that the lease number is written at the top of each page.

**Aquaculture Declaration (DNRid)** – New Permittees or Registrants must obtain a free Aquaculture Declaration through the MD Outdoors online system before receiving a Shellfish Aquaculture Harvester Permit or Registration Card. For more information on obtaining an Aquaculture Declaration or DNRid please visit:

[dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/MD\\_Outdoors\\_Aquaculture\\_Declaration\\_Instructions.pdf](http://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/MD_Outdoors_Aquaculture_Declaration_Instructions.pdf)

**Harvester Education** – Current harvester education materials can be reviewed online at:

[dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/Harvest\\_Education\\_Guide.pdf](http://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Documents/Harvest_Education_Guide.pdf)

**By signing this form, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the “Harvester Education Training Guide” provided by the department.**

Harvester Full, Legal Name (please print)	DNRid	Transaction # Received w/ Aquaculture Declaration	Reviewed Education Materials (✓)	Signature	Date