Pamlico Sound Gill Net Restricted Area Permit Application

This permit is required to participate in the large mesh gill net fishery in Pamlico Sound for Fall 2013. There is no charge for the permit. Reporting requirements are stated on the attached Permit Condition Form.

Applicant Name

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Suffix	Date of Birth
				/ / MO DAY YEAR
Phone Number	Participant ID (if known)	License No. (SCFL/RSCFL)		

Business Applicant Information

Business Name	Business Agent Name (First, MI,	Participant ID

				For Renewals-Current Permit #			
	New		Renew		Update		Replace

Contact Person (First, MI, Last)	Contact Person Date of Birth	Contact Person Telephone #
	MO. / DAY /	( )

Vessel I.D. (P Number)	Crew Members (First, MI,	Date of Birth	Telephone #
	(1)	MO. / DAY / YR.	
	(2)	MO. / DAY / YR.	
	(3)	MO. / DAY / YR.	

Please sign and date the following permit certification:

1. All the information provided and any supporting documentation provided is true, accurate, and complete. For renewals, any changes in information or supporting documents have been provided at the time of renewal.

2. I, and all listed designees, currently have no marine fisheries licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations under suspension or revocation, and the privilege to hold such licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations is not revoked or suspended.

3. I, and all listed designees, have not been convicted of four or more violations in any jurisdiction related to state or federal law or regulations involving or related to marine or estuarine resources.

4. I have been provided a copy of the NC Rules for Coastal Fishing Waters containing the rules and conditions that apply to this permit and/or a copy of the Permit Condition Form for permits whose conditions are stated in proclamation.

5. I understand that as a condition of accepting this permit from the Division of Marine Fisheries, I agree to abide by all conditions of this permit and agree, that if specific conditions of this permit as identified for this permit are violated, or if false information was provided in the application for initial issuance, renewal or transfer, this permit may be suspended or revoked by the Fisheries Director.

I understand that any false information or fraudulent disclosures may result in termination of this permit and possible criminal prosecution.

Date Signed: _____

Signature of Permittee: _____

NOTARY (for NEW permit applications only)

State: _____

County: _____

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this _____ day of _____

Notary Public: _____My Commission expires:_____

Return completed applications to:

North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries
License Office
PO Box 769
Morehead City, NC 28557

Permit for Pamlico Sound Gill Net Restricted Area

Specific Permit Conditions

Rule Authority (3O.0506):

The Fisheries Director may, by proclamation, require individuals taking marine and estuarine resources regulated by the Marine Fisheries Commission, to obtain a special permit.

Fishermen participating in large mesh gill net fisheries in the Pamlico Sound Gill Net Restricted Areas (GNRAs) shall obtain a GNRA permit. Large mesh gill net is defined as those gill nets constructed of five inch or larger stretched mesh. It is unlawful for fishermen issued such a permit to fail to:

CALL in each week's report (fishing weeks run from Saturday – Friday) by 5:00 p.m. Friday to include the following:

Pounds of flounder landed	Yards of large mesh gill net fished in the GNRA
The dealer the catch was sold to	The soak time in days for each trip in the GNRA
Restricted area fished (SGNRA1, SGNRA2, SGNRA3, SGNRA4)	Number of sea turtles caught
	The condition of all sea turtles caught

The fishermen can report directly to John McConnaughey (252-808-8049) or Janice Fulcher (252-808-8030). Weekly reports are not necessary if no trips were made during the previous week. Failure to report, reporting false information or reporting late will result in the suspension or revocation of the permit.

A single GNRA permit is required for each commercial fishing operation, regardless of the number of persons involved. A fishing operation is defined as all individuals, the vessel actively deploying and fishing gill nets in the GNRAs, and all nets used under one Permit and one Standard Commercial Fishing License (SCFL). The operation shall have the GNRA Permit in possession at all times while on the water. No more than one vessel shall be listed on one GNRA Permit.

An individual shall hold or be assigned a Standard Commercial Fishing License (SCFL) or a Retired Standard Commercial Fishing License to obtain a GNRA Permit. When a SCFL is assigned, the GNRA Permit shall be issued in the name of the assignee. The vessel used in the commercial fishing operation shall be identified on the GNRA Permit application. A list of all members of the commercial fishing operations (designees) is required at the time of application. A change in vessel shall be called in the Division of Marine Fisheries (NCDMF) Communications Center in Morehead City, NC by phone at 1-800-682-2632 or (252) 726-7021 prior to fishing under the GNRA Permit.

Gill Net Restricted Area permitees shall not refuse to allow onboard fisheries observers to collect data from gill net fisheries in the GNRAs. Should fishermen choose to avoid observers by not returning phone calls, dodging observers, or using other tactics, permits will be revoked.

It is unlawful for an individual commercial fishing operation to set more than 2,000 yards of large mesh and more than 2,000 yards of small mesh gillnet, regardless of the number of GNRA areas fished. Failure to comply with this provision will result in the revocation of the permit.

It is unlawful to fail to report any sea turtle captured. Reports shall be made within 24 hours of the capture to the Communications (252-726-7021 or 800-682-2632).

General Permit Conditions:

The following conditions apply to all permits issued by the Fisheries Director:

It is unlawful to operate under the permit except in areas, at times, and under conditions specified on the permit;

It is unlawful to operate under a permit without having the permit or copy thereof in possession of the permittee or his or her designees at all times of operation and shall be ready at hand for inspection, except for Pound Net Permits;

It is unlawful to operate under a permit without having a current picture identification in possession and ready at hand for inspection.

It is unlawful to refuse to allow inspection and sampling of a permitted activity by an agent of the Division;

It is unlawful to fail to provide complete and accurate information requested by the Division in connection with the permitted activity;

It is unlawful to hold a permit issued by the Fisheries Director when not eligible to hold any license required as a condition for that permit as stated in 15A NCAC 3O.0501;

It is unlawful to fail to provide reports within the timeframe required by the specific permit conditions;

It is unlawful to fail to keep such records and accounts as required by the Rules in this Chapter for determination of conservation policy, equitable and efficient administration and enforcement, or promotion of commercial or recreational fisheries;

It is unlawful to assign or transfer permits issued by the Fisheries Director, except for Pound Net Permits as authorized by 15A NCAC 3J .0107(h);

The Fisheries Director, or his agent, may, by conditions of the permit, specify any or all of the following for the permitted purposes:

Species,	**Means and methods,**
Quantity or size,	**Disposition of resources,**
Time period,	**Marking requirements, or**
Location,	**Harvest conditions**

Unless specifically stated as a condition on the permit, all statutes, rules and proclamations shall apply to the permittee and his or her designees,

As a condition of accepting the permit from the Fisheries Director, the permittee agrees to abide by all conditions of the permit and agrees that if specific conditions of the permit, as identified on the permit are violated or if false information was provided in the application for initial issuance, renewal or transfer, the permit any be suspended or revoked by the Fisheries Director.
Violation of any Rule Condition or items on the permit may result in suspension or revocation of the permit.