

	Application For a Federal Crab Vessel Permit (FCVP)	U.S. Department of Commerce NOAA Fisheries Service, Alaska Region Restricted Access Management (RAM) Post Office Box 21668 Juneau, Alaska 99802-1668 (800) 304-4846 toll free / (907) 586-7202 in Juneau (907) 586-7354 fax / ram.alaska@noaa.gov	
◆ All vessels participating in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Island crab rationalization fisheries must have a valid Federal Crab Vessel Permit on board at all times. This Application is used to obtain and/or to amend the Permit. ◆ Permits are annual, issued for a crab fishing year (July 1 through June 30). ◆ Only U.S. Citizens are authorized to receive or to hold a Federal Crab Vessel Permit.			

BLOCK A – NATURE OF APPLICATION
Indicate whether this application is: ☐ A request for a new Permit If the application renews or amends an existing Permit, print the current Federal Crab Vessel Permit Number. ☐ A renewal of an existing Permit Permit Number: _____ ☐ An amendment to an existing Permit Permit Number: _____ If the application is for a new Permit or amends an existing permit by changing the owner(s), include a copy of the <i>U.S. Coast Guard Abstract of Title</i> or the <i>Certificate of Documentation</i>.

BLOCK B – VESSEL INFORMATION		
1. Name of Vessel:	2. Home Port (<i>city and state</i>):	3. ADF&G Processor Code (<i>if any</i>):
4. Is the Vessel a "Vessel of the United States"? ☐ YES ☐ NO If NO, the applicant is not eligible for an FCVP; this application will be denied.		5. USCG Documentation Number: 6. ADF&G Vessel Registration Number:
7. Length Overall (LOA) _____ ft. Registered Length: _____ ft.	8. Gross Tonnage: _____ Net Tonnage: _____	9. Shaft Horsepower: _____
10. Indicate below the type(s) of crab operation(s) for which the vessel may be used during the crab fishing year: ☐ Catcher Vessel ☐ Catcher-Processor ☐ Stationary Floating Crab Processor		

BLOCK C₁ – VESSEL OWNER INFORMATION

1. Primary Owner's Name:

2. Primary Owner's Permanent Business Address:

3. Primary Owner's Temporary Business Address
(if any):

4. Business Telephone Number:

5. Business Fax Number:

6. Business E-Mail Address:

7. Name of Managing Company (if any):

BLOCK C₂ – ADDITIONAL OWNER INFORMATION***Complete for each Vessel Owner - (Duplicate as necessary to provide information on all owners)***

1. Name of Additional Vessel Owner:

2. Additional Owner's Permanent Business Address:

3. Business Telephone Number:

4. Business Fax Number:

5. Business E-Mail Address:

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2. Additional Owner's Permanent Business Address:

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4. Business Fax Number:

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2. Additional Owner's Permanent Business Address:

3. Business Telephone Number:

4. Business Fax Number:

5. Business E-Mail Address:

BLOCK D – DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE FOR EDR

The owner of a vessel that participates in any of the BSAI Crab Rationalization fisheries is responsible for submitting a crab “Economic Data Report” (EDR) to the NMFS-authorized data collection agent. In the space below, please provide the name and contact information of the individual who is responsible for insuring that the EDR is completed and timely submitted. The EDR forms will be sent to the address of the Designated Representative set out below. If the Designated Representative changes, the owner must provide NMFS with the name and contact information for the new Designated Representative within 30 days of the change.

1. Name of Designated Representative for EDR:

2. Designated Representative’s Permanent Business Address:

3. Business Telephone Number:

4. Business Fax Number:

5. Business E-Mail Address:

BLOCK E – CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

1. Signature of Applicant or Applicant’s Representative:

2. Date Signed:

3. Printed Name of Applicant or Applicant’s Representative: (Note: If completed by the Applicant’s Representative, **attach** authorization)

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- A catcher vessel, catcher/processor, or a stationary floating processor) that is participating in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area (BSAI) Crab Rationalization (CR) Program in any way must have on board a valid Federal Crab Vessel Permit (FCVP).
- An FCVP is issued on an annual basis to the owner of the vessel and is in effect from the date of issuance through the crab fishing year for which the permit was issued (July 1 through June 30).
- Vessels that participate in any of the CR fisheries are required to have on board, and to use, a Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), while the CR fisheries are open, regardless of where the vessel is fishing (including State of Alaska waters) or for what the vessel is fishing.

This application cannot be processed or approved unless applicant has met all the requirements and conditions of the CR Program, including (as appropriate)

- ♦ Payment of all outstanding fees must be submitted to NMFS on or before July 31.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Please allow at least 10 working days for this application to be processed. It is important that all blocks are completed and any required attachments are provided. Failure to answer any of the questions, provide any of the required documents, or to have signatures could result in delays in the processing of your application.

Forms are available on the NMFS Alaska Region website at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/region/alaska>.

Print information in the application legibly in ink or type information.

Retain a copy of completed application for your records.

When completed, submit the application —

By mail to: **NMFS Alaska Region
Restricted Access Management (RAM)
P.O. Box 21668
Juneau, AK 99802-1668**

By delivery to: **Room 713, Federal Building
709 West 9th Street
Juneau, AK 99801**

Or, by fax to: **907-586-7354**

If you need additional information please contact RAM as follows:

Contact RAM at: (800) 304-4846 (Option #2) or (907) 586-7202 (Option #2)

E-mail address: ram.alaska@noaa.gov

Website: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/region/alaska>

Additionally

- ♦ Type or print legibly in ink.
- ♦ Retain a copy of completed application for your records.
- ♦ Do not wait until right before an opening to apply for your permit, as you may not receive it on time.

COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

BLOCK A – NATURE OF APPLICATION

Indicate the reason the application is submitted

- ◆ A new Permit
Attach a valid USCG Abstract of Title or Certificate of Documentation for the vessel
- ◆ A renewal of an existing Permit. Enter the Permit Number
- ◆ An amendment to an existing Permit. Enter the Permit Number

BLOCK B – VESSEL INFORMATION

1. Enter the name of the Vessel for which the Application is being submitted.
2. Enter the Vessel's Home Port (*city and state*).
3. Enter the ADF&G Processor Code (*if any*).
4. Indicate (YES or NO) whether the Vessel is a "Vessel of the United States."
If NO, the applicant is not eligible for an FCVP, and this application will be denied.
5. Enter the Vessel's USCG Documentation Number.
6. Enter the Vessel's Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) Vessel Registration Number.
7. Enter the Vessel's length overall and registered length.
8. Enter the Vessel's Gross Tonnage and Net Tonnage.
9. Enter the Vessel's Shaft Horsepower.
10. Indicate the type(s) of crab operation(s) in which the Vessel will be engaged.

BLOCK C₁ – VESSEL OWNER INFORMATION

1. Enter the name of the Primary Owner (*Contact Owner*). This person must be listed on the USCG Vessel Documentation as an owner of the vessel.
2. Enter the Primary Owner's Permanent Business Address.
3. Enter the Primary Owner's Temporary Business Address (*if any*). This is the address to which notices and other information regarding the vessel permit will be sent.
4. Enter the Primary Owner's business telephone number.
5. Enter the Primary Owner's business fax number.
6. Enter the Primary Owner's business e-mail address.
7. Enter the name of the Vessel's Managing Company (*if any*).

BLOCK C₂ – ADDITIONAL OWNER INFORMATION

For each additional owner (in addition to the Primary Owner) enter the requested information. Duplicate the form as necessary to include the requested information on all of the Vessel's owners as listed on the USCG Vessel Documentation.

BLOCK D – DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE FOR EDR

Please provide the name and contact information of the individual who is responsible for insuring that the Crab EDR is completed and timely submitted. The EDR forms will be sent to the address of the Designated Representative.

If the Designated Representative changes, the owner must provide NMFS with the name and contact information for the new Designated Representative within 30 days of the change.

BLOCK E – CERTIFICATION

Enter applicant or authorized representative printed name, signature, and date signed.

If the application is completed by an authorized or designated representative, then explicit authorization must accompany the application.

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement

A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with an information collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 unless the information collection has a currently valid OMB Control Number. The approved OMB Control Number for this information collection is 0648-0514. Without this approval, we could not conduct this information collection. Public reporting for this information collection is estimated to be approximately 20 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information collection. All responses to this information collection are required to obtain benefits. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, NMFS Alaska Region, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

Privacy Act Statement

Authority: The collection of this information is authorized under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801, *et seq.*

Purpose: NMFS is collecting this information to manage the Crab Rationalization Program.

Routine Uses: NMFS will use this information to issue a Federal Crab Vessel Permit. Responses to this information request are confidential under section 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. They are also confidential under NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, which sets forth procedures to protect confidentiality of fishery statistics. Disclosure of this information is permitted under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a) to be shared among authorized staff for work-related purposes. Disclosure of this information is also subject to the published routine uses identified in the Privacy Act System of Records Notice [COMMERCE/NOAA-19, Permits and Registrations for the United States Federally Regulated Fisheries](#).

Disclosure: Furnishing this information is required to obtain or retain benefits. Failure to provide complete and accurate information may delay or prevent the issuance of a Federal Crab Vessel Permit.
