

# NOTICE OF OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ACTION

Date 07/02/2013

Department of Commerce  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

FOR CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: Simon Szykman

FOR CLEARANCE OFFICER: Jennifer Jessup

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, OMB has taken action on your request received  
07/02/2013

ACTION REQUESTED: Revision of a currently approved collection

TYPE OF REVIEW REQUESTED: Regular

ICR REFERENCE NUMBER: 201307-0648-002

AGENCY ICR TRACKING NUMBER:

TITLE: Permit and Reporting Requirements for Non-Commercial Fishing in the Rose Atoll, Marianas Trench  
and Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monuments (MANM)

LIST OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS: See next page

OMB ACTION: Approved without change

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0648-0664

The agency is required to display the OMB Control Number and inform respondents of its legal significance in  
accordance with 5 CFR 1320.5(b).

EXPIRATION DATE: 05/31/2016

DISCONTINUE DATE:

BURDEN:	RESPONSES	HOURS	COSTS
Previous	0	0	0
New	140	44	129
Difference			
Change due to New Statute	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Discretion	140	44	129
Change due to Agency Adjustment	0	0	0
Change due to PRA Violation	0	0	0

TERMS OF CLEARANCE:

OMB Authorizing Official: Dominic J. Mancini  
Acting Deputy Administrator,  
Office Of Information And Regulatory Affairs

List of ICs

IC Title	Form No.	Form Name	CFR Citation
Permit applications	NA	Marine National Monument Non-commercial fishing permit application	
Fishing log	NA	Monument fishing log	

# PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

**Please read the instructions before completing this form. For additional forms or assistance in completing this form, contact your agency's Paperwork Clearance Officer. Send two copies of this form, the collection instrument to be reviewed, the supporting statement, and any additional documentation to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.**

1. Agency/Subagency originating request	2. OMB control number <span style="float: right;">b. <input type="checkbox"/> None</span> a. _____ - _____
3. Type of information collection ( <i>check one</i> ) a. <input type="checkbox"/> New Collection b. <input type="checkbox"/> Revision of a currently approved collection c. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of a currently approved collection d. <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired e. <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired f. <input type="checkbox"/> Existing collection in use without an OMB control number For b-f, note Item A2 of Supporting Statement instructions	4. Type of review requested ( <i>check one</i> ) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Regular submission b. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency - Approval requested by _____ / _____ / _____ c. <input type="checkbox"/> Delegated
7. Title	5. Small entities Will this information collection have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
8. Agency form number(s) ( <i>if applicable</i> )	6. Requested expiration date a. <input type="checkbox"/> Three years from approval date b. <input type="checkbox"/> Other Specify: _____ / _____
9. Keywords	10. Abstract
11. Affected public ( <i>Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "x"</i> ) a. ___ Individuals or households d. ___ Farms b. ___ Business or other for-profit e. ___ Federal Government c. ___ Not-for-profit institutions f. ___ State, Local or Tribal Government	12. Obligation to respond ( <i>check one</i> ) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary b. <input type="checkbox"/> Required to obtain or retain benefits c. <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
13. Annual recordkeeping and reporting burden a. Number of respondents _____ b. Total annual responses _____ 1. Percentage of these responses collected electronically _____ % c. Total annual hours requested _____ d. Current OMB inventory _____ e. Difference _____ f. Explanation of difference 1. Program change _____ 2. Adjustment _____	14. Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden ( <i>in thousands of dollars</i> ) a. Total annualized capital/startup costs _____ b. Total annual costs (O&M) _____ c. Total annualized cost requested _____ d. Current OMB inventory _____ e. Difference _____ f. Explanation of difference 1. Program change _____ 2. Adjustment _____
15. Purpose of information collection ( <i>Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "X"</i> ) a. ___ Application for benefits e. ___ Program planning or management b. ___ Program evaluation f. ___ Research c. ___ General purpose statistics g. ___ Regulatory or compliance d. ___ Audit	16. Frequency of recordkeeping or reporting ( <i>check all that apply</i> ) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Recordkeeping b. <input type="checkbox"/> Third party disclosure c. <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting 1. <input type="checkbox"/> On occasion 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-annually 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Annually 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Biennially 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe) _____
17. Statistical methods Does this information collection employ statistical methods <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	18. Agency Contact (person who can best answer questions regarding the content of this submission)  Name: _____ Phone: _____

## 19. Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions

On behalf of this Federal Agency, I certify that the collection of information encompassed by this request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9

**NOTE:** The text of 5 CFR 1320.9, and the related provisions of 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3), appear at the end of the instructions. *The certification is to be made with reference to those regulatory provisions as set forth in the instructions.*

The following is a summary of the topics, regarding the proposed collection of information, that the certification covers:

- (a) It is necessary for the proper performance of agency functions;
- (b) It avoids unnecessary duplication;
- (c) It reduces burden on small entities;
- (d) It used plain, coherent, and unambiguous terminology that is understandable to respondents;
- (e) Its implementation will be consistent and compatible with current reporting and recordkeeping practices;
- (f) It indicates the retention period for recordkeeping requirements;
- (g) It informs respondents of the information called for under 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3):
  - (i) Why the information is being collected;
  - (ii) Use of information;
  - (iii) Burden estimate;
  - (iv) Nature of response (voluntary, required for a benefit, mandatory);
  - (v) Nature and extent of confidentiality; and
  - (vi) Need to display currently valid OMB control number;
- (h) It was developed by an office that has planned and allocated resources for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected (see note in Item 19 of instructions);
- (i) It uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology; and
- (j) It makes appropriate use of information technology.

If you are unable to certify compliance with any of the provisions, identify the item below and explain the reason in Item 18 of the Supporting Statement.

Signature of Senior Official or designee

Date

Agency Certification (signature of Assistant Administrator, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Line Office Chief Information Officer, head of MB staff for L.O.s, or of the Director of a Program or StaffOffice)

Signature

Date

Signature of NOAA Clearance Officer

Signature

Date

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT**  
**PERMIT AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-COMMERCIAL FISHING**  
**IN THE ROSE ATOLL, MARIANAS TRENCH, AND PACIFIC REMOTE ISLANDS**  
**MARINE NATIONAL MONUMENTS**  
**OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-xxxx**

This is a resubmission with the Final Rule, for request for a new information collection for non-commercial fishing in Pacific Islands marine national monuments, contained in the proposed rule “Western Pacific Fisheries; Fishing in the Marianas Trench, Pacific Remote Islands, and Rose Atoll Marine National Monuments” (RIN 0648-BA98). There are no changes from the original request. Comments on the information collection requirements were received, but NOAA’s response to these comments explained why they believed additional requirements were unnecessary at this time (see Question 8 and highlighted section of the draft Final Rule).

**A. JUSTIFICATION**

**1. Explain the circumstances that make the collection of information necessary.**

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) manage commercial and non-commercial fisheries in federal waters of the exclusive economic zone (EEZ; generally 3-200 nautical miles (nm) from shore) around the U.S. Pacific Islands through five fishery ecosystem plans (FEP) authorized under the [Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act](#) (Magnuson-Stevens Act), 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.* Three of the FEPs are archipelagic and include the American Samoa FEP, the Hawaii Archipelago FEP, and the Mariana Archipelago FEP (which covers federal waters around Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)). The fourth FEP manages fisheries around the U.S. Pacific Remote Island Areas (PRIA), which includes Howland, Baker and Jarvis Islands, Palmyra and Johnston Atolls, Kingman Reef, and Wake Island. The fifth FEP manages pelagic fisheries around all of the U.S. Pacific Islands, and on the high seas.

On January 6, 2009, President George W. Bush issued three Presidential Proclamations, each establishing a marine national monument in the Pacific Islands under the authority of the Antiquities Act of 1906. Proclamation 8335 established the Marianas Trench Marine National Monument (74 FR 1557, January 12, 2009) in Guam and the CNMI. Proclamation 8336 established the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument (74 FR 1565, January 12, 2009) in the PRIAs. Proclamation 8337 established the Rose Atoll Marine National Monument in American Samoa (74 FR 1577, January 12, 2009). Within each Monument, the proclamations direct the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary), to prohibit commercial fishing. Each proclamation also authorizes the Secretary to allow sustainable non-commercial sustenance, recreational and traditional indigenous fishing pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

Consistent with the proclamations, the Council recommended amendments to the FEPs for American Samoa, the Marianas, the Pacific Remote Islands, and pelagic fisheries to allow non-commercial fishing and establish Federal permits and catch reports to aid in the monitoring of non-commercial fishing in the Monuments. NMFS implemented the Council’s recommendation by creating the requirements under [50 CFR 665](#). Specifically, the regulations require both the owner and the operator of a fishing vessel to obtain a fishing permit from NMFS and requires the vessel operator to submit a NMFS catch report at the completion of each fishing trip.

**2. Explain how, by whom, how frequently, and for what purpose the information will be used. If the information collected will be disseminated to the public or used to support information that will be disseminated to the public, then explain how the collection complies with all applicable Information Quality Guidelines.**

*Permits*

NMFS collects information about applicants and their vessels on permit applications. Once issued, permits are valid for one calendar year. Information from the permit application allows NMFS to confirm the identity of the applicant, and to determine whether the applicant qualifies for the permit. NMFS uses vessel information, such as documentation or registration, ownership, managing ownership, etc., to determine whether the applicant is an owner of a U.S. documented/registered vessel. NMFS may provide information to NOAA Office of Law Enforcement (OLE), the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), and the Council. NMFS will not disseminate private information to the public, and information will be reported only in non-confidential or aggregate form.

*Catch Reports*

Vessel operators fishing non-commercially in the Monuments must provide NMFS with a completed catch report for each day fished within 30 days of the completion of a Monument fishing trip. The catch reports provide the information that NMFS and the Council need to monitor fishing, and evaluate and assess the status of stocks and dependent fisheries. NMFS and the Council use the information to determine whether changes in management are needed to sustain the productivity of the stocks or to address economic issues. Without the information, NMFS and the Council would be unable to determine whether the Monument management program is achieving the objectives of the FEPs and the Magnuson-Stevens Act. Information from the catch reports is used by fishery and enforcement officials of NMFS, USCG, American Samoa, Guam, CNMI to monitor compliance with fishing requirements.

NMFS aggregates and/or summarizes any publicly disseminated information to maintain the confidentiality of the information pertaining to the individual vessels. NMFS retains control over the information and safeguard it from improper release, access, modification, and destruction, consistent with Federal law and regulations, and NOAA policies for confidentiality, privacy, and electronic information. See response to Question 10 of this Supporting Statement for more information on confidentiality and privacy. The information collection is designed to yield data that meet all applicable information quality guidelines. The information will be subjected to quality control measures and a pre-dissemination review pursuant to [Section 515 of Public Law 106-554](#) prior to dissemination.

**3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological techniques or other forms of information technology.**

At this time, the information will be collected only on paper forms (however, Federal Monument fishing permit applications would be available online at [http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD\\_permits\\_index.html](http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD_permits_index.html)). The collection of information does not require any knowledge of automated, electronic, mechanical or other technology.

#### **4. Describe efforts to identify duplication.**

There is no single comprehensive permit or catch reporting requirement for non-commercial fishing activities in American Samoa (Rose Atoll Monument) or CNMI (Marianas Trench Monument). In both islands areas, NMFS currently requires permit and reporting for only certain species (e.g., lobsters), gear types (e.g., longline) or sectors (e.g., commercial). The new information collection for non-commercial fishing in the Monuments will replace any other reporting requirements that apply within federal waters of the Rose Atoll Monument and the Islands Unit of the Marianas Trench Monument to ensure comprehensive and non-duplicative permits and reporting for non-commercial fishing.

In the PRIA, NMFS requires permits and catch reporting for all federally-managed stocks, and will continue to rely on existing permits and catch reporting, previously approved by OMB under OMB Control Nos. 0648-0214, 0648-0360, 0648-0462, 0648-0463, 0648-0490, 0648-0584, and 0648-0586. However, Proclamation 8336, establishing the Pacific Remote Islands Monument, provides for recreational fishing, including passenger-for-hire charter fishing, a type of fishing activity that was not included under the PRIA FEP and existing collection requirements. For this reason, a new non-commercial fishing permit, including recreation charter and non-commercial individual fishing vessel catch reporting is needed.

#### **5. If the collection of information involves small businesses or other small entities, describe the methods used to minimize burden.**

It is not yet known what percentage of permittees will be charter boat vessel owners, as opposed to individuals. However, most charter boat vessels are small businesses, based upon Small Business Administration (SBA) criteria that their annual gross revenue, from all sources, does not exceed \$7.0 million. Regardless, the minimum information necessary is required, and the means of reporting outlined below will minimize certain aspects of the burden.

##### *Permits*

Federal Monument fishing permit applications would be available online and from PIRO at [http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD\\_permits\\_index.html](http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD_permits_index.html) to reduce the burden of time spent applying or ordering by mail. Applications may be downloaded, printed, and then mailed to NMFS. Permits will be issued by NMFS and delivered via U.S. mail.

##### *Catch Reports*

NMFS would provide blank catch report forms and instructions via U.S. mail with issued Federal Monument fishing permits to reduce time spent obtaining blank forms via an office visit. Fishermen may contact the Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center in Honolulu in writing by email, FAX, or mail for help in completing the Monument catch reports.

#### **6. Describe the consequences to the Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently.**

##### *Permits*

Without this collection, or if it is collected less frequently than proposed, NMFS will be unable to properly evaluate eligibility to participate in non-commercial fisheries in the Monuments. It will be difficult to monitor the fisheries and their participants, determine entry and exit patterns,

and provide information needed to ensure full impact analysis for fisheries management programs. Without this information, enforcement agents will not be able to identify fishermen for compliance monitoring, and NMFS would be unable to consult with permit holders on regulatory changes.

#### *Catch Reports*

Catch reporting is needed to get an accurate count of the effort level and amount of harvest, occurring in the Monuments and to ensure that fishing is sustainable as required by the Presidential Proclamations.

#### **7. Explain any special circumstances that require the collection to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with OMB guidelines.**

None.

#### **8. Provide information on the PRA Federal Register Notice that solicited public comments on the information collection prior to this submission. Summarize the public comments received in response to that notice and describe the actions taken by the agency in response to those comments. Describe the efforts to consult with persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded, disclosed, or reported.**

The proposed rule, RIN 0648-BA98, published in the Federal Register on February 21, 2013 (78 FR 12015) solicited public comments on this submission.

Three comments on the information collection requirements were received, but NOAA's response to these comments explained why they believed additional requirements were unnecessary at this time.

#### Comment 4

The final rule should contain one or more additional mechanisms to ensure enforcement of the ban on commercial fishing and ensure that customary exchange does not cross the line into commercial fishing. Such mechanisms could include (1) limit customary exchange to fishing practices that were part of the cultural, social, or religious tradition of local communities at the time the proclamations were issued, consistent with the Proclamations' allowance for "traditional indigenous fishing," (2) establish bag limits for noncommercial fishing, (3) cap the amount of money that can be received through customary exchange, or (4) require fishermen to report fishing trip expenses and cash sales.

#### Comment 5

Absent some means of tracking expenses and reimbursements, it will be impossible to determine whether vessel owners or operators participating in customary exchange are being reimbursed for trip or non-trip expenses beyond those that the regulations contemplate. Therefore, there should be additional requirements on the customary exchange provision to ensure that reimbursements do not exceed actual trip expenses. This could include requirements for vessel owners and operators to report per trip expenses and monetary reimbursements as part of the logbook reporting requirements.

### Comment 6

To ensure that the practice of customary exchange does not lead eventually to commercial fishing, and to aid enforcement in determining when cash reimbursements exceed actual trip expenses, the final rule should require recordation of monetary reimbursements and trip expenses.

### NOAA Response

The Council and NMFS considered these suggested mechanisms when developing the customary exchange provisions. Given only a low level of commercial fishing in the past, and only a low level of non-commercial fishing anticipated under this final rule, the Council and NMFS concluded that additional requirements are unnecessary at this time. There is a lack of scientific data to support the effectiveness of bag limits as a management tool for harvests of small amounts of pelagic species in the Monuments. Additional requirements to report fishing trip expenses and cash sales run counter to cultural values and benefits of sharing fish, and could change fishing motivation and/or practice of customary exchange. Logbooks will be required to monitor non-commercial fishing activity in the Monuments, and NMFS and the Council may consider additional requirements or restrictions in the future, if necessary.

### **9. Explain any decisions to provide payments or gifts to respondents, other than remuneration of contractors or grantees.**

No payments or gifts are provided.

### **10. Describe any assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents and the basis for assurance in statute, regulation, or agency policy.**

As stated on the forms, under Section 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act and [NOAA Administrative Order 216-100](#), information submitted in accordance with regulatory requirements under the Act is confidential. This includes personal and proprietary information contained in the permits and catch reports.

### **11. Provide additional justification for any questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private.**

NMFS does not ask questions of a sensitive nature.

### **12. Provide an estimate in hours of the burden of the collection of information.**

#### *Permits*

NMFS estimates up to 35 permits annually, with up to 10 fishing permit applications each for the Rose Atoll and the Marianas Islands Unit and up to 15 permit applications a year for the Pacific Remote Islands Monument. At this time, NMFS cannot estimate what portion of applications will be businesses, including small businesses vs. individual/households.

NMFS estimates that each of the 35 fishing permit applicants are expected to spend 15 minutes completing the application for a maximum information collection burden of 8.75 (9) hours per year.

### *Catch Reports*

NMFS estimates the time requirement for completing Federal catch reports to be approximately 20 minutes per vessel per fishing day. Assuming 35 vessels take one trip per year to the Monument, and each fishing trip lasts three days, the program would generate up to 105 reports (35 trips x 3 days) annually. Thus, the total collection of information burden estimate for catch reporting (based on 105 reports at 20 minutes each) is 35 hours per year.

Total: 9 hr (permits) + 35 hr (catch reports) = 44 hr.

### **13. Provide an estimate of the total annual cost burden to the respondents or record-keepers resulting from the collection (excluding the value of the burden hours in #12 above).**

There is no start-up capital cost for complying with this requirement. Respondents will use paper forms provided by NMFS for providing all information. Based on an annual estimate of 35 permit applications and 105 catch reports (total of 140 submissions), the maximum estimated cost to respondents for postage, faxes, copies, etc., related to this collection is \$130 per year (rounded down to \$129 in ROCIS) or \$0.92 per response.

### **14. Provide estimates of annualized cost to the Federal government.**

#### *Permits*

The estimated annual cost to the Federal government to administer this information collection is up to \$438. This includes the cost of processing permit applications and issuing permits based on 35 applications x 30 min./application x \$25/hr.

#### *Catch Reports*

The estimated annual cost to the Federal government to administer this information collection is up to \$670. This includes the cost of printing blank daily catch report forms of \$13 (based on 105 forms x \$0.12 per form), and processing of forms of \$657, which is calculated by the cost of staff time for receiving and entering catch reports (105 forms x 15 min/form x \$25/hr).

**Total Cost:** \$438 + \$670 = \$1,108.

### **15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments reported.**

This is a new information collection.

### **16. For collections whose results will be published, outline the plans for tabulation and publication.**

No formal scientific publications based on these collections are planned at this time. NMFS and the Council will use the information (primarily in an aggregated, non-confidential format) for developing management reports and fishery management plan amendments and evaluations. Subsequent use of the data collected over a series of years may include scientific papers and publications.

**17. If seeking approval to not display the expiration date for OMB approval of the information collection, explain the reasons why display would be inappropriate.**

Not Applicable.

**18. Explain each exception to the certification statement.**

Not Applicable.

**B. COLLECTIONS OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS**

This collection does not use statistical methods.

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**FEDERAL FISHING PERMIT APPLICATION FORM**  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION  
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE  
PACIFIC ISLANDS REGION

OMB Control No: 0648-XXXX  
Expiration Date: xx/xx/xxxx

**201x**

**Mail or deliver this application to:**  
NMFS Pacific Islands Region Office  
ATTN: Permits  
1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1110  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-4700  
Tel: (808) 944-2200

**MARINE NATIONAL MONUMENT NON-COMMERCIAL FISHING PERMIT**

Please Print Legibly. Items marked with \* are required. Please fill in other items as completely as possible. Note required documents at bottom of page.

**1.\*TYPE OF PERMIT** (Check only one. See instructions for specific information):

Non-commercial fishing or  Recreational charter fishing

**2.\***  New permit or  Renewal

**3.\*MONUMENT PERMIT AREA** (Check only one. See Instructions for specific additional information):

Marianas Trench (Islands Unit Only)  Pacific Remote Islands  Rose Atoll

**4.\*VESSEL NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **5.\*VESSEL REGISTERED LENGTH:** \_\_\_\_\_ (feet)

**6.\*VESSEL OFFICIAL NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **7.\* RADIO CALL SIGN:** \_\_\_\_\_  
USCG documentation or vessel registration number

**8.\*VESSEL OWNER:** \_\_\_\_\_  
First, Middle, & Last Name(s), or Business Name

**9.\*SSN or TIN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**10. \*DATE OF BIRTH (individual) OR DATE OF INCORPORATION (business):** \_\_\_\_\_

**12. \*MAILING ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street or P.O. Box City State ZIP code

**13.\* PHONE:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_; **CELL PHONE:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_; **FAX:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**14.\* VESSEL OPERATOR(S):**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**15.\*APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name and Signature of Person Submitting Application Date

16. \*APPLICANT TITLE: [ ] Vessel Owner, [ ] Corporate officer or partner, [ ] Designated agent, [ ] Other\_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

- 1) Copy of the vessel's current U.S. Coast Guard Certificate of Documentation (documented vessel), or registration certificate from a state or territorial agency (undocumented vessel) showing the current vessel owner.
- 2) Payment by check for the non-refundable applications processing fee of \$[INSERT DOLLAR AMOUNT], payable to the Department of Commerce, NOAA.
- 3) Proof of residency or location of business (copy of driver's license, identification, check, business registration, certificate of good standing, or other document verifying local address), and
- 4) A signed letter from the permit holder authorizing the applicant as the agent, if the applicant is acting as an agent for the vessel owner.

Filing false information on any application for a fishing permit is prohibited (50 CFR 665.15(b), 18 U.S.C. 1001). You must inform PIRO within 15 days of any change of information on the application form (50 CFR 665.13).

**Privacy Act Statement:** Federal regulations at (50 CFR Part 665) authorize the collection of this information. This information is used to verify the identity of the applicant(s) and to accurately retrieve confidential records related to federal fishing permits. The primary purpose for requesting the SSN or TIN is for the collection and reporting on any delinquent amounts arising of such person's relationship with the government pursuant to the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1966 (Public Law 104-134). Business information may be disclosed to the public.

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Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated at 15 minutes per application, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspects of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to Pacific Islands Regional Administrator, NOAA Fisheries Service, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd. Suite 1110, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-4700.

This information is being collected to ensure accurate and timely records about the persons licensed to participate in fisheries under Federal regulations in the Pacific Islands Region. This will enable NOAA Fisheries Service and the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council to (a) determine who would be affected by changes in management; (b) inform license holders of changes in fishery regulations; and (c) determine whether the objectives of the fishery program are being achieved by monitoring entry and exit patterns and other aspects of the fisheries. The information is used in analyzing and evaluating the potential impacts of regulatory changes on persons in the regulated fisheries as well as in related fisheries.

Responses to the collection are required to obtain the benefit of a permit for the fishery involved (ref. 50 CFR 665.13). Data provided concerning the proprietary business of the respondents are handled as confidential under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Sec. 402(b)), and NOAA Administrative Order 216-100. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

## Instructions

1. **TYPE OF PERMIT:** Please check the appropriate box for the type of permit you are applying. Non-commercial fishing means fishing that includes, but is not limited to, sustenance, subsistence, traditional indigenous, and recreational fishing. Recreational charter fishing means operating or fishing from a vessel carrying a passenger for hire who is engaged in recreational fishing. Only check one box.
2. **NEW APPLICATION OR RENEWAL:** Check only one box.
3. **MONUMENT PERMIT AREA:** Please check the appropriate Monument Permit Area you are applying. Only check one box. If you are seeking to fish in more than one Monument Permit Area, you must apply separately for each area.

### Additional Specific Information:

- NMFS may issue fishing permits for the Rose Atoll Marine National Monument only to community residents of, and businesses legally established in, American Samoa.
  - NMFS may issue fishing permits for the Islands Unit of the Marianas Trench Marine National Monument only to community residents of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands, and businesses legally established in those islands.
  - You are required to obtain all other applicable federal permit(s) for fishing within the Marianas Trench Marine National Monument *outside of the Islands Unit*. See [http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD\\_permits\\_index.html](http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD_permits_index.html) for a list of applicable federal permits for fishing in the EEZ around Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands.
  - ***For the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument, use this application only if you own or operate a vessel that will engage in recreational charter fishing activities.*** If your fishing will not involve recreational charter fishing, you must obtain the applicable federal fishing permit(s) for the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument. See [http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD\\_permits\\_index.html](http://www.fpir.noaa.gov/SFD/SFD_permits_index.html) for a list of applicable federal permits for fishing in the EEZ around the Pacific Remote Island Areas.
4. **VESSEL NAME:** Write in the vessel name.
  5. **VESSEL REGISTERED LENGTH:** Write in the vessel's length overall in feet, as listed on the U.S Coast Guard document or state/territorial agency vessel registration.
  6. **VESSEL OFFICIAL NUMBER:** Write in either the U.S. Coast Guard documentation number, or state/territorial agency vessel registration number.
  7. **RADIO CALL SIGN:** If you have one, write in the call sign assigned by the FCC to your vessel's radio. It would probably start with a W. If you do not have a call sign, write N/A.
  8. **VESSEL OWNER:** Write in the First, Middle, & Last Names, or Business Name of the vessel's registered owner as listed on the U.S Coast Guard document or state/territorial agency vessel registration.
  9. **SSN or TIN:** Write in the social security number (SSN) of the vessel owner. If the applicant is a business, write in the Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) or Employer Identification Number (EIN) obtained from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.
  10. **DATE OF BIRTH OR DATE OF INCORPORATION:** If an individual owns the vessel, write in the vessel owner's full birth date. If a business owns the vessel, write in the full date of incorporation.
  11. **MAILING ADDRESS:** Write in the vessel owner's primary mailing address. NMFS will use this address as the official address of record for all mail to the permit holder.
  12. **PHONE:** Write in the vessel owner's primary phone number.
  13. **CELL PHONE, FAX & EMAIL:** Please provide additional contact information for the vessel owner.
  14. **VESSEL OPERATOR:** Write in the First, Middle, & Last Names, and provide contact information for each individual that will operate the vessel while in the Monument Permit Area, if not the registered owner. Each vessel operator, if not the same as vessel owner, is required to obtain a Monument permit.
  15. **APPLICANT:** Print your name and sign on the line. The applicant must sign the form. Then, fill in the date the application was signed

16. **APPLICANT TITLE:** Check only one for the applicant's relationship to the vessel owner.

**National Marine Fisheries Service – Pacific Islands Region**

**PACIFIC MARINE NATIONAL MONUMENT  
DAILY FISHING LOG**

**Name of Vessel** \_\_\_\_\_

**Permit Number** \_\_\_\_\_

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This information is being collected to provide information needed by NMFS to regulate and monitor fishing activities in the monument area and to evaluate the effectiveness of management by assessing the status of stocks and the status of fisheries. The information will provide a basis for determining whether changes in management are needed to sustain the productivity of the stocks or to respond to interactions between fishing vessels and protected species. The information is also used to provide a basis for evaluating the magnitude and distribution of impacts resulting from changes to the regulations. Responses to the collection are required under 50 CFR 665.14. Proprietary data provided concerning the vessel and/or business of the responders are handled as confidential under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Sec. 402(b)), and NOAA Administrative Order 216-100. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.



## Instructions for the Monument Non-Commercial Daily Fishing Log

1. Write in the full name (first, middle initial, and last) of the vessel operator (captain) who is preparing and submitting the report.
2. Write in the vessel name.
3. Write in either the U.S. Coast Guard documentation number, or state/territorial agency vessel registration number.
4. Write in the operator's permit number.
5. Indicate type of permit.
6. Identify the Monument area fished. Submit a separate report for each island area fished.
7. Write in the date which fishing activities covered by this report took place.
8. Write in the latitude and longitude of the fishing area. Use degree ° and minute ' ; circle N for north or S for south latitude; circle E for east and W for west longitude.
9. Write in the date and port vessel departed.
10. Write in the date and port vessel returned.
11. Identify the fishing method used.
12. For each fishing method, enter the number of hours fished.
13. Enter the number of poles, lines/line haulers, and or hooks used, if appropriate.
14. For each fishing method, enter the type (species) of fish caught (one per row), the number of fish caught and the estimated total weight caught of that species.
15. If you released any fish you caught, identify the species and write in the number you released alive or dead.
16. If you lost any fish of this species due to sharks. other predators, or other reasons, write in the number lost.
17. Enter the type of each protected species you released uninjured, injured or dead.
18. Sign and date the daily log and return it to the address shown.