



LAKE ERIE TRAP NET LICENSE OR SEINE LICENSE APPLICATION

Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission
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SUBMISSION DEADLINES
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Complete this form and include a check or money order for the appropriate fees made payable to the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Do not Send Cash).

- Mail your completed application form and payment to the address above and your license will be mailed to you.

Disclosure of the social security numbers in connection with this trap net or seine license application form is voluntary. Applicants will not be denied any right, privilege or benefit if they fail to disclose the social security numbers. The social security numbers are requested under the authority of the Fish and Boat Code of 1980 for the purpose of improving and expediting the administrative processing of the application and providing a cross check for identification and residency.

LICENSE TYPES

CHECK LICENSE TYPES YOU ARE APPLYING FOR

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|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> RESIDENT SEINE LICENSE | <input type="checkbox"/> New | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | Fee | \$ 50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NON-RESIDENT SEINE LICENSE * | <input type="checkbox"/> New | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | Fee | \$100.00 |

List Size of Seine (Length and Width in feet) _____

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|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> RESIDENT TRAP NET LICENSE | <input type="checkbox"/> New | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | Fee | \$ 80.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NON-RESIDENT TRAP NET LICENSE * | <input type="checkbox"/> New | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | Fee | \$160.00 |

NOTE: Each trap net or seine requires a separate license

**Non-resident applicants must reside in a state that allows reciprocal licenses for Pennsylvania residents.*

APPLICANT INFORMATION

PREFIX	FIRST	M.I.	LAST	SUFFIX
STREET ADDRESS			CITY	STATE
MAILING ADDRESS			CITY	STATE
PA RESIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			TELEPHONE (inc. area code)	DATE OF BIRTH
EMAIL ADDRESS			DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

If a boat is used to set or haul in the trap net or seine, please provide the following information. A copy of the current registration card and / or United States Coast Guard documentation papers **MUST** be provided with the application.

BOAT INFORMATION

OWNER/CAPTAIN NAME				
STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE	ZIP
MAILING ADDRESS		CITY	STATE	ZIP
PA REGISTRATION NUMBER		USCG DOCUMENTATION NUMBER		
BOAT NAME		LENGTH OF BOAT		
LANDING OF CATCH LOCATION (PHYSICAL LOCATION AND ADDRESS)				

If other individuals will be involved in the day to day operation of the trap net or seine or serve as crew members on the boat, the applicant shall provide the following information for each agent or employee of the licensee.

AGENT OR EMPLOYEE INFORMATION				
1	NAME			
	STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP
	DATE OF BIRTH	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	TELEPHONE (inc. area code)	
2	NAME			
	STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP
	DATE OF BIRTH	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	TELEPHONE (inc. area code)	
3	NAME			
	STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP
	DATE OF BIRTH	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	TELEPHONE (inc. area code)	
4	NAME			
	STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP
	DATE OF BIRTH	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	TELEPHONE (inc. area code)	
5	NAME			
	STREET ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP
	DATE OF BIRTH	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	TELEPHONE (inc. area code)	

Does the applicant own the boat, nets and other fishing equipment? Yes No
 If no, the applicant must attach copies of all leases or agreements for the use of above equipment.

List all locations (physical addresses) where the fish caught will be processed, stored or sold.

Are all individuals listed on this application bona fide residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Yes No

Did anyone listed on this application pay personal income tax as a resident to another state or sovereignty last year? Yes No
 If yes, please provide an explanation.

General License Conditions

- Licensee is required to comply with the Fish and Boat code regulations found in 58 PA Code Sections 69.21 through 69.38.
- It is unlawful to use VHS-susceptible species of fish, parts thereof or their eggs taken from the Lake Erie watershed as fish bait in Commonwealth waters outside of the Lake Erie watershed except when the fish are from a group of fish certified as having tested negative for VHS or are from an artificial propagation facility certified as having tested negative for VHS.
- Licensee shall allow officers authorized to enforce the Fish and Boat Code unrestricted access to the licensee's place of business and any boats used for fishing during normal business hours to inspect sales records and catch reports.
- Licensee is required to complete and submit monthly catch reports to the Northwest Region Office at the above listed address.

Trap Net License Conditions

- Licensees are responsible for and shall be physically present during the day to day operation of the licensed trap nets.
- Licensees are required to comply with size limits and seasons for those species of fish that may be lawfully caught by means of trap nets.
- Traps nets may be fished and / or set from March 1 through November 30. The nets may be fished 24 hours a day but it is unlawful to set or lift the trap nets during the period from 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.
- Trap nets may not be fished or set in restricted portions of Lake Erie where the use of trap nets is prohibited.
- Licensee may not use or fish more than six trap nets, singularly or in a series or tandem set, at any one time.
- No more than two licensed trap netters may fish from the same boat at any one time.
- Licensee is required to complete and submit monthly catch reports to the Northwest Region Office at the above listed address.
- The trap net shall have the identifying tag furnished with the license attached to the trap net when it is in use.\
- Licensee is required to notify the Northwest Region Office when nets are set initially at the beginning of the season.

Seine License Conditions

- Seines may be no greater than 150 feet in length and no greater than 6 feet in width. For the purposes of this license, configurations of seines include drop nets, umbrella nets and dip nets. Licensee may only fish one licensed seine at a time.
- The seine shall have the identifying plastic tag furnished with the license attached to the seine when it is in use.
- Seines may be used for the taking of emerald shiners, spottail shiners, gizzard shad and alewife only. There is no minimum length or daily limit for these species.
- The licensee may possess an unlimited number of alive, dead or preserved emerald shiners, spot tail shiners, gizzard shad or alewife at his place of business provided the business is located within the Lake Erie watershed and offer these species for sale for use in the Lake Erie watershed only.
- It is unlawful for a licensee to use a commercial seine within 100 yards of a holder of a commercial seine license.
- It is unlawful for a licensee use a commercial seine within an area 300 feet from the mouth of any stream or within the confines of a tributary stream to Lake Erie.
- It is unlawful for a licensee to interfere with sport anglers or boaters while conducting seining operations.

This license expires on December 31 in the year in which the license was issued.

I certify that the information contained in the application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. This certification is made subject to the penalty of Section 4904 of Crimes Code (18 Pa. C.S.A. § 4904) (relating to Unsworn Falsification to Authorities) and Section 908 of the Fish and Boat Code (30 Pa. C.S. § 908) (relating to False Identification or False or Fraudulent Statements on Reports).

SIGNATURE

DATE

Notice – Trap Net Licensee is required to notify the Northwest Region Office when nets are initially set at the beginning of the season.