

## 2017 Pacific Halibut Fishing Season

### IPHC LICENSING PROCEDURES FOR AREA 2A (WA-OR-CA)

The following are procedures used by the IPHC when issuing licenses. This list is intended to explain procedures and assist fishers in obtaining licenses in a timely manner.

1. The IPHC licenses vessels, not individual fishers.
2. If a commercial vessel made at least one Pacific halibut landing the previous year, a pre-printed application with the prior year's information will automatically be generated. All sport charter vessels will be sent a pre-printed application form with the previous year's information.
3. If you do not receive your pre-printed application by mid-February, you may request one by calling the IPHC at (206) 634-1838 or you may download a blank application from the IPHC website (<http://www.iphc.int/commercial/119-area-2a-licensing.html>). When filling out applications, write legibly and provide current information (*i.e.*, document or registration number, state Department of Fish and Wildlife number, etc.). **Note, the application must be completed and signed by the vessel owner.**
4. Completed applications should be mailed to IPHC, 2320 W. Commodore Way, Suite 300, Seattle, WA 98199-1287. Applications may also be faxed to the IPHC at 1-877-741-4742.
5. Unsigned or incomplete applications are returned to the sender. Applications will be processed in March.
6. Licenses and other pertinent information will be sent by first class mail by mid-March. The license will be sent to the vessel owner unless other instructions are specified on the application.
7. If the license is to be held for pick-up, it must be noted on the application. Please contact the licensing department at the IPHC office to schedule a pick-up time.
8. Area 2A (WA-OR-CA) license applications for the charter sport fishery do not have a deadline date.
9. Area 2A (WA-OR-CA) license applications for the incidental commercial during the salmon trolling season must be postmarked or faxed no later than 11:59 p.m. 15 March 2017 (*Pacific Halibut Fishery Regulations* Section 4 (8)).
10. Area 2A (WA-OR-CA) license applications for the incidental commercial during longline sablefish season must be postmarked or faxed no later than 11:59 p.m. 15 March 2017 (*Pacific Halibut Fishery Regulations* Section 4 (7)). A National Marine Fisheries Service limited entry groundfish permit with a sablefish endorsement is required to fish in the incidental fishery. For more information, please contact NMFS at (206) 526-4646.
11. Area 2A (WA-OR-CA) license applications for the directed commercial fishery must be postmarked or faxed no later than 11:59 p.m. 1 May 2017 (*Pacific Halibut Fishery Regulations* Section 4(8)).

If you have any comments or questions, or need help completing an application, please call the Licensing Department at (206) 634-1838.

**NOTE: A license will be issued for operating in Area 2A (WA-OR-CA) for either: 1) the sport charter fishery, 2) the incidental commercial Pacific halibut fishery during the salmon troll season, 3) the incidental commercial Pacific halibut fishery during the longline sablefish season, or 4) the directed commercial fishery. If a vessel owner wishes to participate in the incidental commercial Pacific halibut fishery during the longline sablefish season and the directed commercial, the vessel owner must select both activities and will obtain two separate licenses for each fishery. If a vessel has an Area 2A (WA-OR-CA) commercial license, the vessel cannot be used to sport fish for Pacific halibut in that same regulatory area.**

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Area 2A 2017 Halibut Vessel License Application (WA-OR-CA only)

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**SELECT ONLY ONE BOX IF PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITY 1 OR 2.  
IF PARTICIPATING IN BOTH ACTIVITIES 3 AND 4, BOTH BOXES MUST BE SELECTED.**

- Activity:**  1) **Sport Charter (S)** Application deadline: None  
 2) **Incidental Commercial during Salmon Troll (T)** Application deadline: 15 March 2017  
 3) **Incidental Commercial during Longline Sablefish Fishery\* (IS)** Application deadline: 15 March 2017  
\*Note: NMFS limited entry groundfish permit with a sablefish endorsement required  
 4) **Directed Commercial (DC)** Application deadline: 1 May 2017

Vessel Name \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation/Official Number \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Length (ft) \_\_\_\_\_ Gross Tons \_\_\_\_\_ Net Tons \_\_\_\_\_ Year Built \_\_\_\_\_

Home Port \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Crew \_\_\_\_\_

**Vessel Owner(s):**

Last Name	First Name & M.I.		
Last Name	First Name & M.I.		
Mailing Address	Home/Business ( )		
City	State	Zip Code	Cell ( )
E-mail			

**Vessel Captain(s) (complete only if different from Owner):**

Last Name	First Name & M.I.		
Last Name	First Name & M.I.		
Mailing Address	Home/Business ( )		
City	State	Zip Code	Cell ( )
E-mail			

**Boat Registration Numbers (list all available)**

Alaska (ADF&G) \_\_\_\_\_ Washington (WDFW) \_\_\_\_\_  
Oregon (ODFW) \_\_\_\_\_ California (CDFW) \_\_\_\_\_

*I declare that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge and understand that any false statements may invalidate the IPHC vessel license.*

Owner's Signature

Application Date

**Application must be signed by the vessel owner**

Mail to: 2320 W. Commodore Way, Suite 300, Seattle, WA 98199-1287 or FAX to: 1-877-741-4742 Telephone: (206) 634-1838

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### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING LICENSE APPLICATION FOR AREA 2A (WA-OR-CA)

The license application form must be fully completed to receive a Pacific halibut fishing license.

**INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE RETURNED TO THE APPLICANT.**

The following entries must be completed as specified:

**Vessel Activity:** Check only one box, if applying for the sport charter, incidental commercial during the salmon trolling season, incidental commercial during the longline sablefish season, or directed commercial license only. **If applying for both the incidental commercial during the longline sablefish season and directed commercial, select each box respectively.** A license will be issued for one of the following: 1) Pacific halibut sport charter fishing; 2) incidental Pacific halibut fishing during the salmon troll season; 3) incidental Pacific halibut fishing during the longline sablefish season (NMFS limited entry groundfish permit with a sablefish endorsement required); or 4) directed commercial fishing. If participating in both the incidental commercial during the longline sablefish season and directed commercial, you will receive two separate licenses, one for each fishery.

**Official Number:** Enter the USCG Documentation or State Registration Number for U.S. vessels (Washington DMV, Oregon State Marine Board, or California DMV).

**Overall Length (as indicated on the USCG documentation):** The horizontal distance between the foremost part of the stem and the aftmost part of the stern (**excluding bowsprits, rudders, outboard motor brackets, and similar fittings or attachments**).

**Gross Tons, Net Tons, Year Built:** Gross tons, net tons, and year built as shown on the USCG documentation.

**Home Port:** Enter your vessel's primary marine port of operations.

**Number in Crew:** Enter the number of crew members, including the Captain, usually on board while Pacific halibut fishing.

**Boat Registration Numbers:** List all vessel registration numbers assigned to the vessel by state or federal fisheries agencies and under which Pacific halibut are sold. You must enter at least one state or federal registration number.

**Owner's Signature:** The application must be signed by the owner of the vessel.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

1. Vessels bearing a valid IPHC license must also possess all federal and state licenses required for the waters in which they intend to fish.
2. The Pacific halibut license number assigned will be the same as the official number provided on the license application.
3. The Pacific halibut license must be carried on the vessel and be available for inspection while the vessel is engaged in the Pacific halibut fishery.
4. Licenses will be mailed to the person signing this application unless otherwise requested.

### NOTES:

- 1) **Charter sport fishery license application does not have a deadline; Incidental commercial during salmon troll fishery license applications must be postmarked no later than 15 March 2017; Incidental commercial during longline sablefish fishery license applications must be postmarked no later than 15 March 2017; Directed commercial fishery license applications must be postmarked no later than 1 May 2017;**
- 2) **National Marine Fisheries Service regulations restrict the non-treaty directed commercial Pacific halibut fishery to south of Point Chehalis, Washington and the incidental Pacific halibut fishery during the sablefish fishery to north of Point Chehalis, Washington; and**
- 3) **a National Marine Fisheries Service limited entry groundfish permit with a sablefish endorsement is required to participate in the incidental Pacific halibut fishery during the longline sablefish fishery.**