



New Hampshire Fish and Game Department

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May 19, 2023

Dear Harvester,

Application for New Hampshire 2023 Atlantic Herring Fisheries Disaster Relief

Please note: Enclosed is an application that must be completed and returned or postmarked to the NH Fish and Game Department - Atlantic Herring Fisheries Disaster Relief, 225 Main Street, Durham, NH, 03824 by June 5, 2023 to be eligible for Atlantic Herring Fisheries Disaster Relief funds.

New Hampshire has been allocated approximately \$600,000 in funding provided by the NOAA Fisheries for Atlantic Herring Fisheries Disaster Relief. The objective is to equitably distribute the New Hampshire allocated Atlantic herring disaster funds to those harvesters that were affected by the Atlantic herring fishery disaster with a landing history of Atlantic herring in New Hampshire between 2014 and 2018 time period. Funds received under this program are taxable.

Details are available online at: <https://wildlife.state.nh.us/marine/index.html>. To qualify, you must meet all the minimum requirements below:

- Must be 18 years or older upon date of application.
- Must have held a 2022 New Hampshire Commercial Saltwater License or Wholesale Marine Species License or a valid 2022 NOAA permit. **(Include copy of 2022 Commercial Saltwater License, Wholesale Marine Species License, or NOAA permit)**
- Held the appropriate NH Commercial Saltwater or Wholesale Marine Species license and landed Atlantic herring within the five-year period of 2014 and 2018 provided by official mandatory landings reports required by NH.
- Not had any state or federal reporting deficiencies or inaccuracies during landing years between 2014 and 2018.
- Not had any conviction for commercial fisheries violations during landing years between 2014 and 2018 from any state or federal agencies; and/or if pending litigation for violations, funds will be placed in escrow until disposition of any court case that will define qualification of access to funding.
- Applicant's 5-year period total landings must be greater than or equal to 1,000 pounds of landed Atlantic herring.
- Must have relief payment that exceeds \$200.
- If vessel/federal permit ownership changed during the 5-year time period (2014-2018), the most recent owner would be the eligible recipient, if meet all eligibility criteria.
- If the owner who experienced the disaster during the 5-year time period no longer owns the federal herring permit after the time period, but still has a commercial fishing license, the original owner who experienced the disaster would be the eligible recipient.

In order to receive New Hampshire Atlantic Herring Fisheries Disaster Relief funds, the completed application must be returned or postmarked **no later than June 5, 2023** to:

REGION 1

629B Main Street
Lancaster, NH 03584-3612
(603) 788-3164
FAX (603) 788-4823
email: reg1@wildlife.nh.gov

REGION 2

PO Box 417
New Hampton, NH 03256
(603) 744-5470
FAX (603) 744-6302
email: reg2@wildlife.nh.gov

REGION 3

225 Main Street
Durham, NH 03824-4732
(603) 868-1095
FAX (603) 868-3305
email: reg3@wildlife.nh.gov

REGION 4

15 Ash Brook Court
Keene, NH 03431
(603) 352-9669
FAX (603) 352-8798
email: reg4@wildlife.nh.gov

NH Fish and Game Department
Atlantic Herring Fisheries Disaster Relief
225 Main Street
Durham, NH 03824

If you have questions or need assistance in completing the application, please contact Renee Zobel or Robert Atwood at Region 3, (603) 868-1095.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cheri Patterson".

Cheri Patterson
Chief, Marine Fisheries

Enclosure

Self Certification and Assurances:

In order to receive funding through this program, recipients must complete the following Self-Certification and Assurances:

I, _____, (*Please Print Name*) hereby request federal assistance from the Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service; through the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, Division of Marine Fisheries and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.

As the recipient or Organization’s Authorized Representative, I self-certify and attest that (initial each statement below):

_____ I meet all of the criteria detailed in this application.

_____ Any right of confidentiality with respect to my personal or corporate state tax information is waived to the extent necessary for the NH Fish and Game Department to verify that I am a New Hampshire taxpayer in good standing.

_____ I am not de-barred or on the Federal government “do not pay list.” I am in good standing with the Federal government.

_____ By signing this affidavit, I attest to having verifiable documentation/records to support the values recorded on this form, and that were used as the basis of eligibility. Further, I agree to maintain these records for a period of no less than 3 years after the close of the primary grant award to ASMFC. Records must be made available upon request from Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, NOAA, or the Office of the Inspector General.

_____ This form must accompany any application for economic assistance. Complete applications and appeals must be submitted by the deadline to NH Fish and Game Department, 225 Main Street, Durham, NH, 03824. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications received outside of the specified application period will not be considered. Applications that cover periods of time outside of the eligibility period identified on the application will not be considered.

_____ The information provided in this application and the information provided in all supporting documents and forms is true and accurate in all material respects to the best of my knowledge. I understand that knowingly making a false statement to obtain funds under the Atlantic Herring Fisheries Disaster Relief Program is punishable under the law, including under 18 USC 1001 and 3571, by imprisonment of not more than five years and/or a fine of up to \$250,000; and under 15 USC 645 by imprisonment of not more than two years and/or a fine of not more than \$5,000.

Authorized Representative/Fishery Participant Signature

Date

Last Name
Authorized Representative (Please Print)

First Name

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