



Recreational Tilefish Permitting and Reporting Outreach Webinar

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Webinar Outline

- **Introduction** (Matt Seeley, MAFMC Staff)
- **Overview of proposed action** (Doug Potts, GARFO)
- **Things to consider before starting electronic reporting** (Barry Clifford, GARFO)
 - Q/A on the proposed action and/or electronic reporting
- **Demo: How to obtain a permit** (Ted Hawes, GARFO)
 - Q/A on obtaining a permit
- **Demo: Electronic reporting using NOAA FishOnline mobile app** (Jay Hermsen, GARFO)
 - Q/A about FishOnline
- **Next steps** (Matt Seeley, MAFMC Staff)

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Overview of proposed action

- All rec tilefish trips north of VA/NC border that are not for-hire
- To better understand this specific part of the rec fishery
- When? This summer - exact date TBD



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Things to consider before starting electronic reporting

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Electronic Vessel Trip Reports (eVTR)

- eVTR has been in use since 2013
- There are a number of eVTR applications authorized for use
- Complete list of applications and the platforms and devices on which they operate are listed on the GARFO VTR webpage
- <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/new-england-mid-atlantic/resources-fishing/vessel-trip-reporting-greater-atlantic-region>



Things to Consider

- What type of device do you intend to use?
 - Smartphone
 - Tablet
 - Laptop/Desktop
- What type of platform do you intend to use?
 - Android
 - Apple iOS
 - Laptop/Desktop web browser
- Understanding the device and platform you intend to use will determine next steps

eVTR Next Steps

- You will have already obtained a Fishtank account that enabled you to apply for the Private Recreational Tilefish Permit
- Your Fishtank account will also enable you to submit eVTRs.
- If intending to use a mobile device, you'll now need to download the appropriate eVTR app from the Apple app store or the Google Play Store
- You are now able and ready to submit eVTRs



GARFO Resources

For general questions about vessel trip reporting, call (978) 281-9246 or email nmfs.gar.reporting@noaa.gov

For questions specific to eVTR, contact:

- Lindsey Bergmann at (978) 282-8418 or email Lindsey.Bergmann@noaa.gov
- Jim St.Cyr at (978) 281-9369 or email James.StCyr@noaa.gov

You may also contact your local port agent for assistance.

For assistance with Fish Online, call the GARFO Help Desk at (978) 281-9188 or email nmfs.gar.helpdesk@noaa.gov



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Things to Consider Before Starting Electronic Reporting:

Questions and Answers





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Private Recreational Tilefish

How to Obtain a Permit: Step-by-Step Demonstration

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Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO Permit Office)

How to Obtain a Tilefish Permit

General Information about this permit

- ✓ The Private Recreational Tilefish permit is a boat permit
- ✓ This is not an individual permit like the Saltwater Angler Registry or a freshwater license
- ✓ The Recreational Tilefish permit is an annual permit that will start May 1st and expire on April 30th
- ✓ Each year, the Permit Office will notify permit holders when the renewal applications are available



How to Obtain a Tilefish Permit

5 Easy Steps

1. Create a web-based FishTank Account with GARFO
2. Validate your email and activate your FishTank account

once that's done, you will
3. Log-in to Fish Online and locate the available forms
4. Select the Private Recreational Tilefish Application Form
5. Complete the Tilefish Application Form, sign it, and submit it to the GARFO Permit Office for processing



How to Obtain a Tilefish Permit

Step 1. Create a web-based Online FishTank Account

Start by entering this addresses in your web browser:

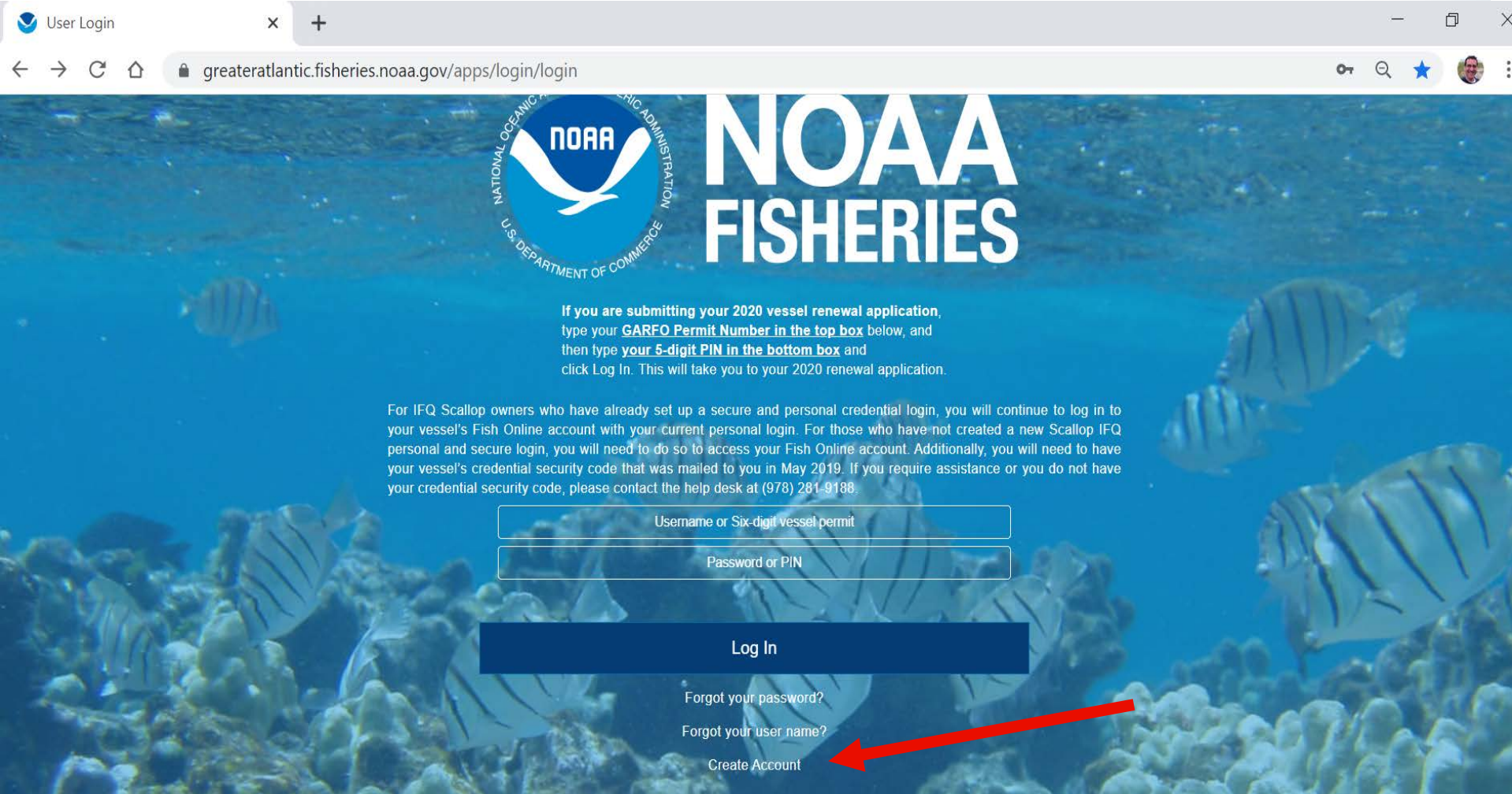
<https://www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/apps/login/>

At the Log-in web page, select **Create Account**

To create a FishTank account you'll need a valid email address and a working phone number. We'll also ask you to create a password.



How to Obtain a Tilefish Permit



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/apps/login/login`. The page features the NOAA Fisheries logo and a large background image of a coral reef with striped tilefish. The main heading is "NOAA FISHERIES". Below the heading, there is a section for 2020 vessel renewal applications, followed by instructions for IFQ Scallop owners. There are two input fields for "Username or Six-digit vessel permit" and "Password or PIN", a "Log In" button, and links for "Forgot your password?", "Forgot your user name?", and "Create Account". A red arrow points to the "Create Account" link.

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If you are submitting your 2020 vessel renewal application, type your **GARFO Permit Number in the top box** below, and then type **your 5-digit PIN in the bottom box** and click Log In. This will take you to your 2020 renewal application.

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Username or Six-digit vessel permit

Password or PIN

Log In

[Forgot your password?](#)

[Forgot your user name?](#)

[Create Account](#)





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Log In

[Forgot your password?](#)

[Forgot your user name?](#)

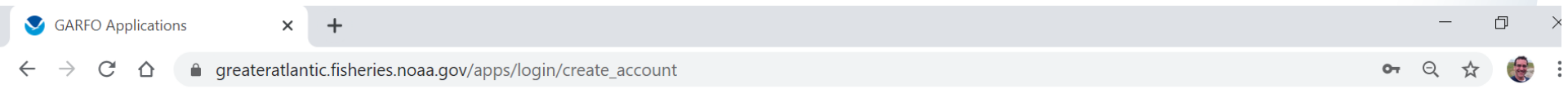
[Create Account](#)



You may access this application with current versions of Chrome, Firefox, or Safari web-browsers. [Click here to read our privacy policy.](#)

For technical assistance with this website call our IT Service Desk (978) 281-9188.

Account Creation for FishTank



Account Creation

If you do not have a web application (FishTank) account with NOAA Fisheries Greater Atlantic Region, you may create your account here. If you are a Vessel Operator Permit holder wanting to use eVTR, please create your account then call our IT Service Desk at (978) 281-9188 from the telephone associated with your Operator Permit to activate your account.

If you already have an account you may recover a lost username or password using the email address associated with your account.

[Forgot your password?](#) [Forgot your user name?](#)

This is a U. S. Federal Government system. Unauthorized use of this system is a violation of federal law and may subject you to civil and criminal penalties. All access or use of this system constitutes unconditional consent to review, monitoring, and action by all authorized government and law enforcement personnel. While using this system your use may be monitored, recorded and subject to audit.

Unauthorized user attempts or acts to (1) access, upload, change, or delete or deface information on this system, (2) modify this system, (3) deny access to this system, (4) accrue resources for unauthorized use or (5) otherwise misuse this system are strictly prohibited. Such attempts or acts are subject to action that may result in criminal, civil, or administrative penalties.

Prefix: <input type="text" value="-Select-"/>	Address Line 1: <input type="text" value="address1:75014"/>
Last Name: <input type="text"/>	City: <input type="text" value="locality:75014"/>
First Name: <input type="text"/>	State: <input type="text" value="-Select-"/> Zip Code: <input type="text" value="postal_code:75014"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>	Email Address: <input type="text" value="E.g. johnSmith@gmail.com"/>
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	Telephone Number: <input type="text"/>
Professional Suffix: <input type="text"/>	



Prefix:

Last Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Suffix:

Professional Suffix:

To ensure your security, your password must include each of the following types of characters:

- UPPERCASE LETTERS
- lowercase letters
- Numbers: 0123456789
- Special Characters:~!@#%&*()_-=+{}[]\|:;<>,.?/

Password:

Retype Password:

Show Passwords

Address Line 1:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Email Address:

Telephone Number:

Phone Type:

Extension:

Save

How to Obtain a Tilefish Permit

Step 2. Email Verification and Account Activation

At this step, you will have received an email from NOAA with your email verification code

Log-in to your email and retrieve the verification code

Enter that code in your FishTank Account activation window

This will verify your email and activate your account

✓ **Success:** you now have a FishTank Account



Step 2: Account Verification

Prefix:

Mr.

Address Line 1:

55 Great Republic Dr

Last Name:

Ted

First Name:

Hawes

Middle Name:

J

Suffix:

-Select-

Zip Code:

01930-2276

Email Verification

A verification code has been sent to your email. Please enter it in the field below and press OK to have your account activated.

OK

Cancel

To ensure your security, your password must include each of the following types of characters:

- UPPERCASE LETTERS
- lowercase letters
- Numbers: 0123456789

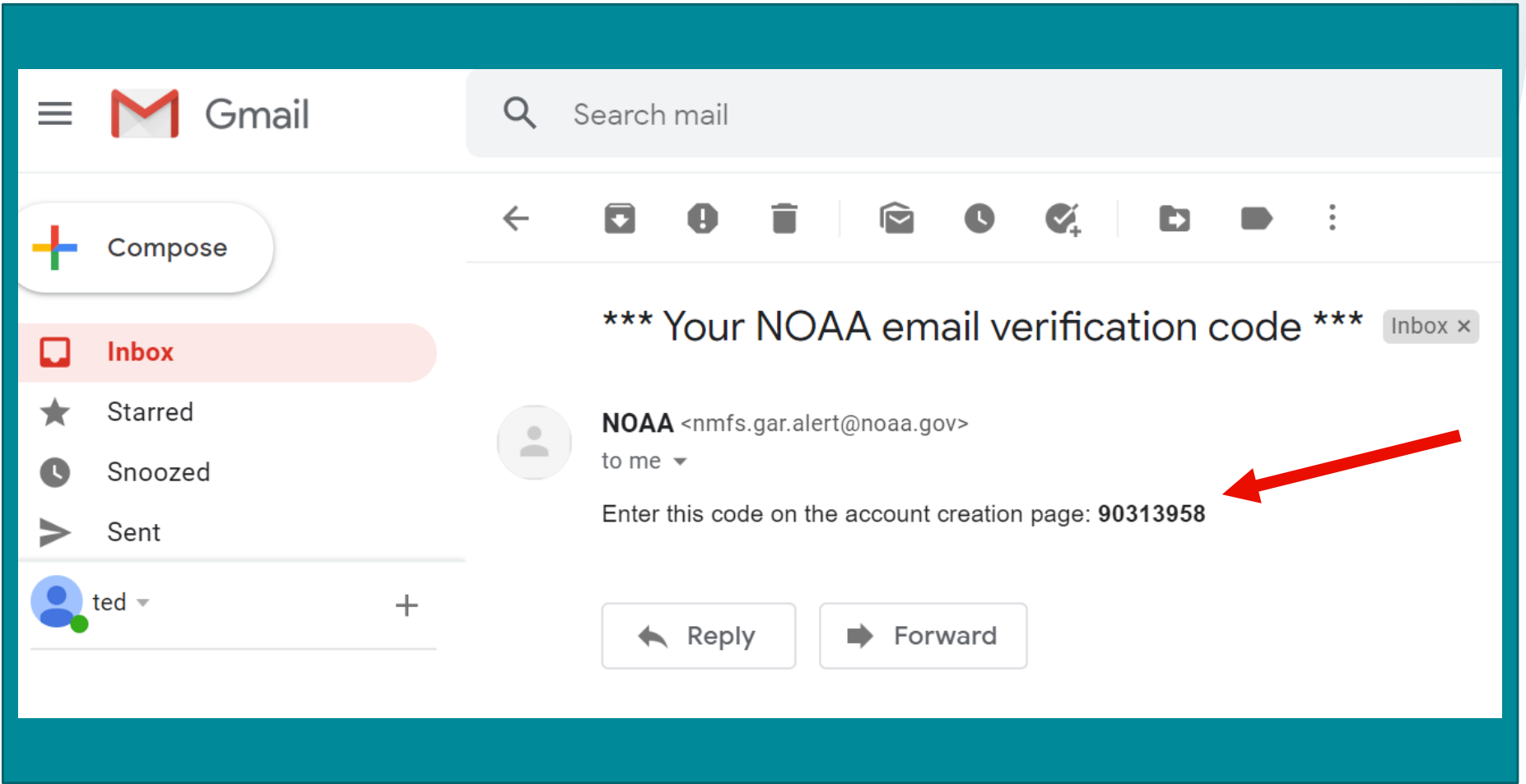
Phone Type:

WORK

Extension:



Verification Code Email



Final Verification Step

Prefix:
Mr. ▼

Address Line 1:
55 Great Republic Dr

Last Name:
Ted

Email Verification

A verification code has been sent to your email. Please enter it in the field below and press OK to have your account activated.

First Name:
Hawes

Zip Code:
01930-2276

Middle Name:
J

Suffix:
-Select- ▼

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- UPPERCASE LETTERS
- lowercase letters

Phone Type:
WORK ▼

Extension:



Your Account is Created!

Prefix: Mr. Address Line 1: 55 Great Republic Dr

Last Name: Ted

First Name: Hawes

Middle Name: J

Suffix: -Select- Professional Suffix: -Select- Telephone Number: (978) 281-9296

Phone Type: WORK Extension:

To ensure your security, your password must include each of the following types of characters:

- UPPERCASE LETTERS
- lowercase letters
- Numbers: 0123456789

Zip Code: 0193

Informational Message

Your account has been created. Your user name is: HAWES.TED1

Close



How to Obtain a Tilefish Permit

Step 3. Log-in to Fish Online using new FishTank Account

Go to this web address

<https://www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/apps/login/>

Log-in to Fish Online with your new username and password

If you have any problems logging-in, call our Help Desk at (978) 281-9188 or email at nmfs.gar.helpdesk@noaa.gov



Step 3: Login to Fish Online

greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/apps/login/login

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HAWES.TED1

Password or PIN

Log In

[Forgot your password?](#)

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Step 4. Locate the Private Recreational Tilefish Application


The Private Recreational Tilefish Application Form will be located with the other application choices.

You can also view your submitted forms or saved forms in the **My Forms** tab at this site.

In the My Forms tab, you can see the status of your application.




Inside FishOnline - Applications

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Vessel Application Information

Fishtank

Application Forms 

Contact NMFS

Fisheries Updates

Change Vessel/Suite

Permit Applications for Vessels and Dealers

[Vessel Permit Renewal](#) | [Initial Vessel Permit](#) | [Vessel Operator Permit](#) | [Letter of Authorization](#) | [Gillnet Forms](#) | [Research Permit](#) | [Initial Dealer Permit](#) | [Private Recreational Tilefish](#) | [My Forms](#)

Current User: Ted Hawes

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Step 5. Complete the Tilefish Application Form

Provide the required information on the form

No fees and no documents to upload, but...

You will need to have your State Boat Registration on hand
(or Certificate of Documentation if Coast Guard Documented)

Sign the form and submit it to the Permit Office for processing

We will mail your Tilefish permit to you after it is issued



Inside FishOnline – Tilefish Application



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Private Recreational Tilefish

Permit Year:

Section 1 - Primary Vessel Owner Information

You may enter the name of a business or a person. The owner name must match the name on your Coast Guard Documentation or State Registration.

Business Name:

- Or -

Last Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Suffix:

Vessel Name (enter "unnamed" if necessary): *

Permit Number:

Hull Id (Registration Nbr): *

Hull Id Expiration Date: *

Hull Serial Nbr: *

Home Port (city and state where your vessel is moored)

Home City: *



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Now that your permit is issued...

We will link your vessel and permit to your FishTank Account after your permit is issued.

This will allow you to submit eVTRs for your trips

Ability to print your permit from your FishTank Account

You can make requests to change your permit as well



How to Obtain a Tilefish Permit

Questions?

- ✓ For permit questions call the Permit Office at (978) 282-8438 or email at NMFS.GAR.Permits@noaa.gov
- ✓ For technical assistance or account set up, call our Help Desk at (978) 281-9188 or email at nmfs.gar.helpdesk@noaa.gov
- ✓ Other assistance contact your local Port Agent from webpage below <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/contact/port-agents-greater-atlantic-region>
- ✓ Regulatory questions, call our Sustainable Fisheries Division at (978) 281-9315



How to Obtain a Permit: Questions and Answers





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Demonstration: Electronic reporting using the NOAA/GARFO FishOnline mobile app

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Final Questions and Answers



Wrap Up and Next Steps

- Final rule
- Additional outreach
- Recording available within a week
 - <https://www.mafmc.org/council-events/2020/tilefish-rec-reporting-webinar>

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