

1. ONE PERSON FOR 10 VESSELS;
2. TWO PERSONS FOR 11 TO 20 VESSELS;
3. THREE PERSONS FOR 21 TO 30 VESSELS;
4. FOUR PERSONS FOR 31 TO 40 VESSELS;
5. FIVE PERSONS FOR 41 TO 50 VESSELS; AND
6. SIX PERSONS FOR 51 OR MORE VESSELS.

(4) (I) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A NUMBER OF COPIES OF THE MASTER FISHING GUIDE LICENSE CORRESPONDING TO THE NUMBER OF VESSELS OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE MASTER FISHING GUIDE, WITH EACH COPY BEARING THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF ONE OF THE VESSELS.

(II) THE MASTER FISHING GUIDE SHALL ENSURE THAT WHEN A VESSEL IS OPERATED, THE APPROPRIATE COPY OF THE LICENSE IS ON BOARD.

(5) IF A MASTER FISHING GUIDE EMPLOYS ANOTHER PERSON TO OPERATE A VESSEL TO CARRY PASSENGERS FOR FISHING, FOR PURPOSES OF THE LICENSE SUSPENSION CRITERIA IN § 4-701(K) OF THIS TITLE, THE MASTER FISHING GUIDE SHALL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY VIOLATIONS COMMITTED BY THE PERSON EMPLOYED TO OPERATE THE VESSEL.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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4-701.

(i) (1) A license or authorization may be transferred only under the provisions of this subsection.

(2) The Department shall review and may approve the permanent transfer of a license or an authorization to a person who is the licensee's spouse, daughter, son, stepchild, grandchild, step grandchild, parent, sister, brother, grandparent, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law, or brother-in-law, and only:

(i) If the licensee makes application to the Department requesting transfer and the transferee has paid the fee for the license or authorization; or

(ii) Upon death of the licensee, if the licensee OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LICENSEE INDICATES OR had indicated that person's name [on the license application on file with] TO the Department.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall be construed retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect a license or authorization in existence on March 1, 1999. Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective until December 31, 1999, and, at the end of December 31, 1999, with