

APPLICANT WHO SIGNS THE APPLICATION FOR THE RECREATIONAL CRABBING BOAT LICENSE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO A COMPLIMENTARY RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH.

(6) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ABOARD A BOAT WITH AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE IS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE A RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE INDIVIDUAL IS PARTICIPATING IN RECREATIONAL CRABBING ACTIVITIES.

(d) [A noncommercial crabbing license is not required for:

- (1) An individual to take crabs by dipnet or handline;
- (2) A person who owns private property along the shore to set up to two crab pots from that private property;
- (3) An individual who uses 600 feet or less of trotline;
- (4) An individual who uses 10 or fewer collapsible traps or net rings;
- (5) Multiple individuals on a boat who use 600 feet or less of trotline; or
- (6) Multiple individuals on a boat who use fewer than 25 collapsible traps or net rings.

(e) (1) The daily catch limits for hard crabs under this section are:

- (i) 1 bushel for an individual exempt under subsection (d) of this section;
- (ii) 2 bushels per boat if two or more individuals exempt under subsection (d) of this section are on the boat;
- (iii) 2 bushels for a holder of a noncommercial crabbing license; or
- (iv) 3 bushels per boat if two or more individuals who hold a noncommercial crabbing license are on the boat.

(2) The daily catch limits for peeler crabs and soft shell crabs under this section are:

- (i) 3 dozen for a holder of a noncommercial crabbing license; or
- (ii) 1 dozen for an individual exempt under subsection (d) of this section.

(f) (1) The Department shall deposit all fees received for noncommercial crabbing licenses to the credit of the fisheries research and development fund to be used for research, including independent studies of the fishery, and to determine the extent of the noncommercial crab catch. The amount of funds expended on the crab research may not exceed \$200,000.

(2) Any funds remaining beyond the financial demands of the research required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be used for enforcement.]