

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES

APPLICATION

**FOR HAUL SEINE PERMIT TO TAKE FISH FOR PERSONAL USE**  
(Under Authority of § 29.1-412, § 29.1-416, Code of Virginia, 4 VAC 15-340-20)

Non-refundable Application Fee: \$17.50 for each net in use      PERMIT (Circle one): NEW RENEWAL

PREVIOUS PERMIT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ FIN/SS# \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

County in which haul seine will be used. \_\_\_\_\_ Stream in which haul seine will be used. \_\_\_\_\_

This permit authorizes the holder to take nongame fish with a haul seine for private table use only in the waters of the county for which such permit is issued, except in the waters where the use of such seines is otherwise prohibited, according to the conditions of the haul seine for private use.

**Fish taken under this permit may not be sold.**

Have you ever been convicted of violating any federal or state wildlife laws or wildlife-related regulations?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If "yes," year and nature of offense \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

By my signature above, I hereby certify that all entries made on this application are true and complete, and I agree and understand that any falsification of information herein, regardless of time of discovery, may result in denial or revocation of my permit.

Send this application with a check or money order for the non-refundable application fee made payable to the TREASURER OF VIRGINIA to:

Department of Game and Inland Fisheries  
Permits Section  
P. O. Box 11104  
Richmond, Virginia 23230-1104  
Voice: 804-367-9588 TDD (for hearing impaired): 804-367-1278

PERMIT PERIOD IS OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

## REQUIREMENTS FOR HAUL SEINE FOR PERSONAL USE

### CONDITIONS OF PERMIT

A. This permit authorizes the holder to use a haul seine to take nongame fish (except threatened or endangered species) with a haul seine for private table use, but not for sale in the counties of Franklin, Henry, Patrick, Mecklenburg, Pittsylvania (except the Roanoke {Staunton} and Dan Rivers), Prince Edward, Charlotte (except the Roanoke {Staunton} River), Campbell (except the Roanoke {Staunton} River), Halifax (except the Roanoke {Staunton} and Dan Rivers), Amelia (except between Vaughn's Pond and Meadsville Dam), Caroline, King George, in the City of Danville (except the Roanoke {Staunton} River), and in the Meherrin River in Lunenburg County, except as otherwise prohibited in Department owned or controlled lakes, ponds or streams, designated stocked trout waters and in waters listed in section F of this regulation.

B. The holder of a permit to take fish with a haul seine for personal use must be present when the seine is being operated but may have other persons to assist him who are not required to have a permit. However, those assisting the permittee and/or handling live fish, must meet the fishing license requirements of the Commonwealth.

C. The length of a haul seine to take fish for personal use shall not be more than 60 feet in length. The minimum size of mesh shall be 1 1/2 inch bar mesh (3 inch stretch mesh).

D. The season to take fish with a haul seine for personal use shall be from July 1 through September 30, both dates inclusive.

E. Persons permitted to use a haul seine for personal use must notify the Department's Regional Office a minimum of 48 hours prior to use.

F. The use of haul seines for personal use is prohibited in the following stream sections of Franklin and Patrick counties:

#### FRANKLIN COUNTY

Roanoke River from County Route 634 crossing upstream to the Roanoke/Franklin County line.

#### PATRICK COUNTY

Smith River from Philpott Lake upstream including headwaters.

Rock Castle Creek from its confluence with Smith River upstream, including headwaters.

Dan River from VA/NC state line upstream to County Route 631 crossing.

Poorhouse Creek from its confluence with North Fork Mayo River upstream including headwaters.

North Fork Mayo River from its confluence with Poorhouse Creek upstream.

G. It shall be unlawful in the inland waters of the Commonwealth to take game fish in a seine, net, pot or trap, and all game fish caught in such seines, nets, pots or traps shall immediately be returned without injury to the waters from which taken. (4 VAC 15-360-40)

H. This permit does not absolve the permittee of any responsibilities or conditions of any other Federal, State or Local laws and regulations, including those that apply to Threatened/Endangered Species.

I. Regulation 4 VAC 15-30-7 states that provided that the issuance of a permit renewal has been delayed past the expiration date of the permittee's previous permit at no fault of the applicant, the permittee may continue the specific activities authorized by the expired permit until the Department has acted on such person's application for renewal. To qualify for this allowance, applicants must submit a completed renewal application to the Department at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the permit. The Department may deny renewal of a permit to any applicant who fails to meet the issuance criteria set forth by the Department. Renewal applications will be mailed approximately two months in advance of the permit's expiration date.

J. COMPLIANCE/VIOLATION/REVOCAION:

A. Regulation 4 VAC 15-290-130 states that a permit holder shall comply with all terms and conditions of any permit issued by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries pursuant to Title 29.1 of the Code of Virginia and the regulations of the board pertaining to hunting, fishing, trapping, attempting to take, possession, sale, offering for sale, transporting or causing to be transported, importing or exporting, propagating, exhibiting, and rehabilitating of any wild bird, wild animal or fish. The penalty for violation of this section is a Class 3 misdemeanor unless another penalty is specified. Further, any violation of state or federal wildlife laws related to the permitted activities by the permittee, his/her agents or employees, or guests will constitute a violation of the conditions of the permit.

B. As provided by 4 VAC 15-30-5, failure to comply with the provisions of a permit may result in the revocation or suspension of the permit for a period up to but not to exceed five (5) years. Any person whose permit is revoked, or suspended may appeal that decision in writing, to the Director, Department of Game & Inland Fisheries, 4010 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23230.

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