

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES
APPLICATION FOR GILL NET PERMIT (Back Bay and North Landing River only)
(Under Authority of § 29.1-412 and § 29.1-416 of the Code of Virginia, 4 VAC 15-340-30)
For Permit Period June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017

NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE: \$8.00 for each net operated

PERMIT (Check One): NEW RENEWAL PREVIOUS PERMIT NUMBER: _____

**PLEASE NOTE: This permit is valid only for gill nets to be used in VA Beach (Back Bay and North Landing River only).
VMRC issues gill net licenses for VMRC jurisdictional waters only. VMRC may be reached at 1-800-541-4646.**

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss.

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City State Zip County

Email _____ Date of Birth _____ Sex M F

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Gill Net Season Requested, (check each that applies):

City of Virginia Beach _____ City of Virginia Beach _____
(July 1 – November 1 Season-mullet only) (November 1 – March 31 Season)

A Separate Tag Must Be Issued For Each Net

Number Of Gill Net Permits Requested: _____ @ \$8.00 Each = \$ _____

Send this application and a check or money order made payable to TREASURER OF VIRGINIA for \$8.00 for each net tag to: Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Permit Section, P O Box 3337, Henrico, VA 23228-0778

Have you been convicted of violating any federal or state wildlife laws or wildlife-related regulations within the past 5 years?

Yes No If "yes", year and nature of offense _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

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.

TYPED SIGNATURE IS AUTHORIZED AND BINDING PER CODE OF VIRGINIA §1-13.32 AND §2.1-7.4

CONDITIONS OF GILL NET PERMIT

A. A gill net permit shall authorize the holder to take nongame fish during the times and in the waters and for the purposes authorized by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (C and D below). A gill net shall not be more than 300 feet in length. The mesh size shall be not less than 1 1/2 inch bar or square mesh (3-inch stretched mesh). Applicants must annually purchase tags for each net the applicant intends to operate and attach a Department tag to each net prior to use. A single permit will be issued to the permittee and shall list each tag number the permittee has been issued. All nets must be checked daily and all game fish returned to the wild.

B. The holder of a gill net permit must be present with the net at all times when it is being set and checked for fish. The holder may have others to assist him, and such persons assisting are not required to have a permit. However, those assisting the permittee must meet the fishing license requirements of the Commonwealth.

C. Gill nets may be used in the City of Virginia Beach in Back Bay and its natural tributaries (not including Lake Tecumseh and Red Wing Lake) and North Landing River from the North Carolina line to Pungo Ferry (not including Blackwater River) for the taking of mullet only for table use and also for sale from July 1 through November 1, both dates inclusive; and for the taking of other nongame fish, except mullet, for table use and also for sale from November 1 through March 31, both dates inclusive. Gill nets set in Back Bay waters must be at least 300 feet from any other net and be at least 300 feet from the shoreline. All such nets must be marked at both ends and at least every 100 feet along the length of the net with a five-inch by twelve-inch (minimum dimensions) float.

D. Reporting Requirements

Each gill net permit holder is required to report all fish species harvested and/or sold. This mandatory reporting will be daily, by species. This record must be reported on a monthly basis, using the Mandatory Harvest Reporting Form for Gill Net Permittees provided by the Department. The report form can be found on the last page of the application packet. All reports must be received by the Permits Section before the permit be renewed for the following year.

Monthly reports are due on the 5th business day of the following month. Monthly reports can either be emailed to collectionpermits@dgif.virginia.gov or mailed to: VDGIF, Permits Section, P O Box 3337, Henrico, VA 23228

E. 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.

F. FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAWS: 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.

G. Fish Species Harvest Restrictions

1. The following species of nongame fish **MAY** be harvested and /or sold with a VDGIF gill net permit: Yellow Perch, White Perch, Gizzard Shad, White Catfish, Channel Catfish, Blue Catfish, Brown Bullhead, Yellow Bullhead, Common Carp, Longnose Gar, Bowfin, Spot, Atlantic Croaker, Atlantic Menhaden, Black Drum, Hickory and American Shad (10 per day, in aggregate), size and creel limits exist for certain species.

2. The following list of fish species **MAY NOT** be harvested at any time with a VDGIF gill net permit: Largemouth Bass, Bluegill(and all other species of sunfish), Black Crappie, Chain Pickerel, Striped Bass, Red Drum, Spotted Sea Trout (Speckled Trout), Gray Trout, Southern Flounder, Alewife, Blueback Herring

Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF)



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Monthly Mandatory Harvest Reporting Form for Gill Net Permittees

**Completed Gill Net Permit Reporting Form must be mailed and received by VDGIF by the 5th business day of the following month. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to report “No Activity” when no activity occurs during a monthly reporting period.

Mail to: VDGIF, Permits Section, P O Box 3337, Henrico, VA 23228-0778 OR

Email to: CollectionPermits@dgif.virginia.gov

VDGIF Gill Net Permit Only Valid for Back Bay (BB) and portions of the North Landing River (NLR)

VDGIF Gill Net Permit Holder _____

Address _____

City State Zip

Date (mm/dd/yy) # Nets Fished BB or NLR Fish Species Harvested (in pounds)

EX. 11/10/15 2 BB white perch-110, catfish-40, gizzard shad -29

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