

CT Marine Fishing License FAQ's

MARINE LICENSE IS REQUIRED EFFECTIVE JUNE 15, 2009.

A Marine License is required of anyone age 16 and older fishing in the Marine District fishing from shore or a private vessel OR landing marine fish in CT regardless of where taken. Passengers fishing on a CT Registered Party or Charter Fishing Vessel are exempt from the Marine Fishing License requirement.

The License is Free for anyone Age 65 and older, but they MUST obtain a license each year.

FEE: \$10 residents (must have lived here at least 1 year) / \$15 non-resident.

No Combo license with Marine and any other license.

Reciprocity: Holders of a marine fishing license issued by the state of New York, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, or Maine may fish in CT with that states' marine fishing license provided that state offers the same privilege to CT Marine Fishing License holders.

New York has a Marine License effective October 1, 2009.

Fishing in New York waters: OK with CT Marine Fishing License for "those parts of Long Island Sound lying between New York and Connecticut." The precise boundary line has yet to be defined by NY.

RI does not have a license yet, but their bill has full reciprocal provisions so a CT resident Marine Fishing License holder will be able to fish in RI when they institute a license.

GETTING A LICENSE:

Go to www.ct.gov/dep/fishing

Click on "Online Sportsmen Licenses"

Scroll to the bottom of that page on Click on "START"

OR:

DEP Field Offices Marine Headquarters (860.434.6043), Eastern District (860.295.9523), Western District (860.485.0226), Franklin WMA (860.642.7239), Sessions Woods (860.675.8130), Hartford Lic&Rev (860.424.3105), DEP Store, in person or by phone (860.424.3555). Store Hours M-F, 9 am. to 3:30 pm.

OR:

For a list of vendors go to: www.ct.gov/dep/fishing , click on "Permits & Licenses" and then on "Participating Town Halls, designated vendor (tackle shop)".

Revenue from the Marine Fishing License is required by state law to be used only for Fish and Wildlife Conservation Programs.