

LICENCE FOR AN INBOARD FISHING VESSEL (SMF)

APPLICATION INFORMATION

1. Eligibility

All inboard fishing vessel (SMF) must be licensed and to renew annually. Any of the following can apply for the above Licence:

- a) The sole proprietor of a company formed under sole proprietorship;
- b) The managing partner of a company formed under partnership; or
- c) Any one of the Directors or Secretary of a company formed under the Companies Act or any responsible management personnel in the company authorised in writing by any of the Directors or Secretary in The Company.

2. Validity

The Licence is valid for a year and should be renewed prior to expiry.

3. Fee

The annual Licence Fee varies for different Fishing Vessel's Gross Tonnage. The breakdown is as follows:

S/N	Gross Tonnage	Annual Licence Fee
1.	Fishing Vessel Licence Inboard engine <50GRT	S\$175.00
2.	Fishing Vessel Licence Inboard engine >50GRT but <100GRT	S\$242.00
3.	Fishing Vessel Licence Inboard engine>100GRT	S\$470.00

Payment can be completed via AXS machine, AXS online E-Services or interbank GIRO in order for the Licence to be issued.

4. Documents required

An online application form is available at Singapore Food Agency's (SFA) [website](#). It would take an estimate of 3 working days to process a completed application. A system generated number will be sent to the owner's email upon submission. The owner will be informed as to whether his / her application is approved by the SFA.

5. Supporting documents

Supporting documents should be submitted together upon submission. Supporting documents includes the following:

- a) A clear copy of owner's front and back of the NRIC (Singaporean / Singapore PR) or Employment Pass / S Pass / Work Permit (Foreigner);
- b) A copy of the company's ACRA Business Profile;

- c) A copy of ship layout in scale;
- d) A copy of the proof of ownership and purchase receipt of the fishing vessel;
- e) A copy of the Insurance Policy (Covering 3rd party liabilities (minimum S\$50,000/-) for the vessel);
- f) A copy of the ship's station Licence; and
- g) A copy of the Fishing Gear's Design. The fishing gear's design should include the following:
 - i. Otter Trawl;
 - ii. Drift Net; and
 - iii. Any other relevant design.

6. Equipment on the Fishing Vessel

The owner should ensure that the fishing vessel has the equipment listed in **Annex A** minimally onboard at all times.

7. Pre-Licensing Inspection

Following receipt of the complete application, an inspection of the vessel will be arranged. SFA officers will contact you to arrange a suitable date and time. The inspection will involve and not limiting to the checking of:

- a) Measurement;
- b) Equipment on board;
- c) Fishing Gear; and
- d) Cleanliness & Hygiene.

8. Post application approval

The owner is to complete and submit the scanned copy of "Undertaking to repatriate fishermen arrested by foreign governments" & "Appointed agent to auction fish caught by the Licensed Fishing Vessel" forms to SFA within **1 month** from the approval of the application. The forms can be found at **Annex B and C** respectively.

9. Changes to application information

The applicant shall inform SFA in writing of any change in the application information within 30 days of the change.

ANNEX A

EQUIPMENT ON THE FISHING VESSEL

S/n	Equipment	S/n	Equipment
1.	Navigation Lights	2.	Fire-fighting Appliances
	a. Port		a. Extinguisher
	b. Starboard		b. Sand
	c. Mast head		c. Scoop
	d. Stern		d. Axe
	e. Hurricane lamps		e. Hydrant & Hose
	f. Fishing lights		
3.	Life-saving appliances	4.	Sound Signal Appliances
	a. Life buoy		a. Whistle (manually operated)
	b. Life jacket		b. Whistle (electrical / mechanical)
	c. Life raft		c. Bell
	d. Bilge pump		d. Gong
	e. Rocket Parachute Distress signals		
	f. Flares		
5.	Others		
	a. Echo sounder		
	b. Radio		
	c. Compass		
	d. Barometer		
	e. Sextant		
	f. Winch		
	g. First Aid Kit		
	h. Flag signal		
	i. Shapes (Conical / Spherical)		

ANNEX B



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UNDERTAKING TO REPATRIATE FISHERMEN ARRESTED BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

I, _____, _____
(Owner name of Fishing Vessel) (NRIC No.)
of Fishing Vessel SMF _____ do hereby declare that
(Vessel No.)

1. I shall be fully responsible for the repatriation of the crew employed on board the above vessel should they be arrested by a foreign government;
2. I am fully aware that I am required to pay a deposit equivalent to the estimated cost of repatriation of the crew to the Singapore Government before representation can be made to the foreign government concerned;
3. I am also fully aware that:
 - a) the licence for the said fishing vessel and the licences of other fishing vessels of which I am the licensee may be revoked; and
 - b) future applications for licences for fishing vessels by me will not be granted if I fail to comply with (1) and (2) above.

Signature of Owner

Date

ANNEX C



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APPOINTED AGENT TO AUCTION FISH CAUGHT BY THE LICENSED FISHING VESSEL

I, _____ , _____
(Owner name of Fishing Vessel) (NRIC No.)
of Fishing Vessel SMF _____ do hereby appoint
(Vessel No.)

(Name of Company) (UEN No.)

as the agent to auction the fish catch landed by the above Fishing Vessel.

I shall inform Singapore Food Agency (SFA) if this arrangement has been terminated.

Signature of Owner

Date

Representative's name
of the agent's company

Agent's Company Stamp