

**15A NCAC 18A .0135 PERMITS**

- (a) It shall be unlawful to operate a processing facility without first obtaining a Crustacea Permit and Certificate of Compliance from the Division of Marine Fisheries.
- (b) Application for a permit shall be submitted in writing to the Division. Application forms may be obtained from the Division, P.O. Box 769, 3441 Arendell Street, Morehead City, NC 28557.
- (c) No permit shall be issued by the Division until an inspection by the Division shows that the facility and equipment comply with applicable rules of this Section. The owner or responsible person shall sign the completed inspection sheet to acknowledge receipt of the inspection sheet.
- (d) The permit shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the facility.
- (e) All permits shall expire on March 31 of each year and are non-transferrable.
- (f) Plans and specifications for proposed new construction, expansion of operations, or changes in operating processes shall be submitted to the Division for review and approval prior to beginning construction or making a change.
- (g) A permit may be revoked or suspended in accordance with 15A NCAC 03O .0504.

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