



# State of Maine - Department of Marine Resources

## Lobster Fishing Apprentice Log

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Apprentices must complete 200 fishing days and 1,000 hours over a minimum of 24 months. **Completed log sheets must be signed by your local Marine Patrol Officer and received in this office by the License Eligibility Specialist within 30 days of the date the 250th hour was logged.** Log sheets that do not meet this criteria will not be counted for the purpose of documenting time for the apprentice program.

It shall be unlawful to intentionally or knowingly make misstatement or misrepresentation on an application for a license or certificate.

**Note: Apprentice fishermen may document up to 200 hours out of 1,000 hours on gear work. Boat repairs do not count as gear days.**

Please keep the yellow copy before submitting to: License Eligibility Specialist, Department of Marine Resources, 21 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0021.

### Instructions for filling out log sheet:

Fishing District = District you are fishing in

Day # = 1, 2, 3, 4, . . . .

Date = Month, Day, Year

Gear Day = 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . . (# of hours logged must be completed for gear days also)

# of hours = # of hours fished or gear work (Only whole hours are accepted. No 1/2 hours - If you fished 5 1/2 hours only write 5 hours under number of hours fished)

### Apprentice and Student License Eligibility:

A student license may only be issued to a person who, at the time of application, is a full-time student 8 years of age or older and under 23 years of age. Students 18 and older must show proof of full-time school enrollment.

An apprentice license may only be issued to a person who, at the time of application, is 8 years of age or older.

**Zone C Apprentice Note:** You may only enter Zone C if you apprenticed fishing time in Zone C with a sponsor who has held a Commercial Lobster License for at least 5 years. (Time documented prior to 8/26/02 in a Zone other than Zone C may be counted toward a Zone C license. If you apprenticed with a sponsor prior to 8/26/02 who had held his license for less than 5 years, you may continue to apprentice with that sponsor.)

**Zone E Apprentice Note:** You may only become eligible for a license in Zone E if you apprenticed fishing time in Zone E with a sponsor who has held a Commercial Lobster license for at least 5 years. (Time documented prior to 1/1/05 in a Zone other than Zone E may be counted toward a Zone E license. If you apprenticed with a sponsor prior to 1/1/05 who had held his license less than 5 years, you may continue to apprentice with that sponsor.)

**Eligibility dates** are determined by the time and date that the Department receives an apprentice fishermen's fully completed log sheets documenting at least 1000 hours and 200 days, in a minimum of 24 months; OR 24 months if days and hours are completed. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Dyer at (207) 624-6549 or email: [donna.dyer@maine.gov](mailto:donna.dyer@maine.gov)

For further information on the apprentice program please visit the following website:

<http://www.maine.gov/dmr/lobstermanagement.htm>

You may download this form to print out a copy or it can be downloaded and used in Excel Format at:

<http://www.maine.gov/dmr/pamphlets/apprenticelog.xls> OR print off from:

<http://www.maine.gov/dmr/pamphlets/apprenticelog.pdf>