



Boat Reg/Doc #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Log sheets MUST be submitted to the Department within 30 days of the 250th hour being logged.  
Please see information on the back of the form.**

Total Gear Days/Hours \_\_\_\_\_

# State of Maine - Department of Marine Resources

## Lobster Fishing Apprentice Log

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Apprentices must complete 200 fishing days, 1,000 hours and successfully complete a Safety Education Course as described in Chapter 25:96 (B)(1)(a) 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. An Apprentice License applicant **MUST** be at least 8 years of age.

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 work.**

### Instructions for filling out log sheet

You must have an active student or apprentice license before logging any days or hours.

Please fill out all portions of the log sheet. Start and end times must be listed for each daily entry.

Gear Hours - Boat repairs do NOT count as gear hours.

Your sponsor **MUST** sign your log sheet as well as initial each daily entry. A Marine Patrol Officer must approve & sign your log sheet.

Only whole hours will be accepted. NO 1/2 hours - if you fished 5 1/2 hours you can only document 5 hours.

Traps Hauled/Set - If you set traps on a Sunday from June 1st-August 31st please indicate with a "S" that you were setting traps not hauling them, or that time will be rejected

### Apprentice and Student License Eligibility

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

You may only be eligible for a license in the zone you apprenticed in.

### Fishing Vessel Drill Conductors Training Course

It is your responsibility to provide the Department with documentation of successful completion of the Fishing Vessel Drill Conductors Training Course.

### Completion of the Apprentice Program Obtaining a Commercial License

Eligibility dates are determined by the time & date that the Department receives an apprentice's fully completed log sheets documenting at least 1000 hours, 200 days and proof of successful completion of the Safety Education Course as described in Chapter 25:96(B)(1)(a), in a minimum of 24 months; OR 24 months if all other requirements are completed prior to the 24th month.

After the completion of the apprentice program, you must be at least 17 years of age to purchase a commercial license.

To avoid being placed on the waiting list you **MUST** purchase your license before your 18th birthday, see below for requirements based on age.

#### **Age 18-20**

Must complete the requirements of the apprentice program and purchase commercial license before 20th birthday.

Must have logged time in the apprentice program before turning 18.

Must provide high school diploma, or GED.

#### **Age 20-23**

Must complete the requirements of the apprentice program and purchase commercial license before 23rd birthday.

Must have logged time in the apprentice program before turning 18.

Must not have had more than a 6-month break between being a student from 18-23

Must currently be enrolled in and meeting the requirements of a half-time course of study at a postsecondary institution accredited by a state accrediting agency or body

If you have any questions, please contact the Department at (207) 624-6550, Option 2 or send an email to [studentapprentice.dmr@maine.gov](mailto:studentapprentice.dmr@maine.gov)