

Submitting an Overboard Discharge Permit Change Form (Renewal, Transfer, and Abandonment)



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Submitting a Permit Change Form

To submit a permit change form, you must have an active Overboard Discharge Permit associated with your MELS account. If you:

- Have an active Overboard Discharge Permit but it is not associated with your MELS account, reference the “Linking Your Account to a Site” video guide, [HERE](#).
- Do not have an active Overboard Discharge Permit, you should contact Irene Saumur at Irene.Saumur@maine.gov to further discuss.

There are two change forms available for Overboard Discharge Permit:

1. Renewal and Transfer Form
2. System Abandonment Form

See below for further information on each option.

Renewal and Transfer Form

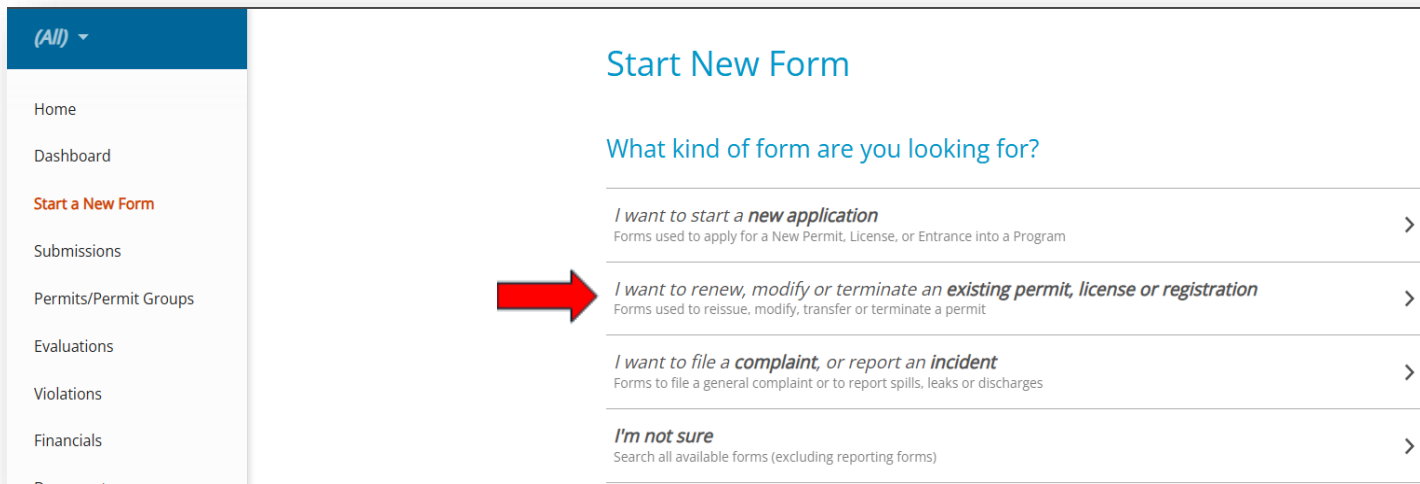
To complete a Renewal and Transfer Form, you will need to have the following documents:

- Death or divorce certification (for transfers or ownership update)
- List of abutters – name, address (contact your town office for a list)
- Site evaluation, if applicable, required every 10 years or at transfer
- Certified mailing receipts for each abutter and town, completed with name/address of intended recipient(s)
- Copy of deed to Overboard Discharge property
- Maintenance contract (mechanical Overboard Discharges only)

- List of other owner's names if it is a shared Overboard Discharge system
- Copy of the completed Public Notice page (the one that was sent to the abutters and the town office)
- Number of year-round/seasonal bedrooms/dwellings connected to the Overboard Discharge system
- Number of "units" employees, seats, etc. (Commercial Overboard Discharge)
- Agent information, if assisting a property owner
- Deeded owners' information

When you are ready to begin the form, navigate to "Start a New Form" and select "I want to renew, modify, or terminate an existing permit, license, or registration," as seen in Figure 1 below:

Figure 1: Start a New Form



Select “Overboard Discharge Renewal and Transfer,” as seen in Figure 2 below:

Figure 2: Beginning Renewal and Transfer Permit Change Form

The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Permit Change Forms". Below the title is the identifier "W-002147" and a "Filter" button. It indicates "Showing 2 of 2" items. The first item is "Overboard Discharge Renewal and Transfer" with details: Site Name: W-002147, Permit Number: W-002147 OBD v4.0, Form Description, and Program Area: OBD/ResCom. A red arrow points to the "Begin" button next to this item. The second item is "Overboard Discharge System Abandonment" with similar details and its own "Begin" button.

Proceed by completing all the required fields in the form. If you have any questions, call 207-287-7688.

When you reach the “Fee Total” section, reference the “Submitting a Payment” user guide on the MELS Hub, [here](#).

Continue to the “Certify and Submit” section of the form. Finalize your submission by selecting “Submit Form,” as seen in Figure 3 below.

Figure 3: Submit Form

The screenshot displays the 'Certify & Submit' form. On the left sidebar, the navigation menu includes: License Information, Deeded Owners (1), Billing Contact, Fee Total, Review, and Certify & Submit (the current section). The main content area is titled 'Certify & Submit' and contains the following text:

PREVIOUS SECTION
Review

Certify & Submit

This step allows you to certify the form as complete and accurate and to submit the form to Maine DEP for review and processing.

At the time of submission, it will be transmitted to Maine DEP and it will become part of the public record.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

At the bottom of the form, there are two buttons: 'FINALIZE SUBMISSION Submit Form' (highlighted with a red arrow) and 'FINISH LATER Save and Exit'.

You will receive a notice on your screen once your submission has been completed. At this time, you may choose to view your submission or return to the portal.

After submission, you might get corrections requested by an Overboard Discharge staff member. If you need assistance in responding to these corrections, review the "Responding to Corrections Requested" user guide on the MELS Hub, [here](#).

System Abandonment

To complete a System Abandonment Form, you will need to have the following document(s):

- A completed [abandonment form](#) that has been completed by the contractor, or supervision authority such as a town official (usually the local plumbing inspector or code enforcement officer) or supervising representative from the sewer district.

When you are ready to begin the form, navigate to “Start a New Form” and select “I want to renew, modify, or terminate an existing permit, license, or registration,” as seen in Figure 4 below:

Figure 4: Start a New Form

The screenshot shows a web application interface for starting a new form. On the left is a sidebar with a blue header containing a dropdown menu labeled '(All)'. Below the header are several menu items: Home, Dashboard, Start a New Form (highlighted in orange), Submissions, Permits/Permit Groups, Evaluations, Violations, Financials, and Documents. The main content area is titled 'Start New Form' and contains the question 'What kind of form are you looking for?'. Below this question are four options, each with a right-pointing chevron icon: 1. 'I want to start a new application' with the subtext 'Forms used to apply for a New Permit, License, or Entrance into a Program'. 2. 'I want to renew, modify or terminate an existing permit, license or registration' with the subtext 'Forms used to reissue, modify, transfer or terminate a permit'. 3. 'I want to file a complaint, or report an incident' with the subtext 'Forms to file a general complaint or to report spills, leaks or discharges'. 4. 'I'm not sure' with the subtext 'Search all available forms (excluding reporting forms)'. A large red arrow points from the 'Start a New Form' link in the sidebar to the second option in the main content area.

Select “Overboard Discharge System Abandonment,” as seen in Figure 5 below:

Figure 5: Beginning System Abandonment Permit Change Form

The screenshot shows a web interface for 'Permit Change Forms'. At the top left is a '< BACK' button. Below the title is a 'W-002147' identifier and a 'Filter' button. A message 'Showing 2 of 2' is displayed. Two form entries are listed, each with a 'Begin' button. The first entry is 'Overboard Discharge Renewal and Transfer' with details: Site Name: W-002147, Permit Number: W-002147 OBD v4.0, Form Description: OBD/ResCom. The second entry is 'Overboard Discharge System Abandonment' with details: Site Name: W-002147, Permit Number: W-002147 OBD v4.0, Form Description: OBD/ResCom. A large red arrow points to the 'Begin' button for the second entry.

< BACK

Permit Change Forms

W-002147

Filter

Showing 2 of 2

Overboard Discharge Renewal and Transfer
Site Name: W-002147
Permit Number: W-002147 OBD v4.0
Form Description:
Program Area: OBD/ResCom

Begin

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When you reach the “Fee Total” section, reference the “Submitting a Payment” user guide on the MELS Hub, [here](#).

Continue to the “Certify and Submit” section of the form. Finalize your submission by selecting “Submit Form,” as seen in Figure 6 below.

Figure 6: Submit Form

The screenshot shows the 'Certify & Submit' section of the form. On the left, a vertical sidebar contains three steps: 'License Information' (checked), 'Review' (checked), and 'Certify & Submit' (selected with a black dot). The main content area is titled 'Certify & Submit' and includes the following text:

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