

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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**APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO CULTIVATE OR SELL COMERCIALY GROWN
AND IMPORTED FISH "Land Based Aquaculture of Freshwater Species"
Title 12 MRSA Section 12507**

Application Cost: \$27.00 (payable to "Treasurer, State of Maine")

Type of application (check one): New or Renewal

Name of Company or Facility: _____

Name of Owner or Manager: _____

Business Mailing Address (Street and Apt # or PO Box) _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Telephone: (____) _____ **Email Address:** _____

Physical Address (Street and Apt # or PO Box): _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Facility Description: _____

Water Source: _____

Discharge type & location: _____

Anticipated annual production (Lbs): _____

Anticipated daily discharge (Gal): _____

Name of source(s) from which stock will be acquired: _____

Aquatic specie(s) to be cultivated*

Common Name: _____

Scientific Name: _____

Type of Operation (check box to left of all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Direct to food market	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic disease research
<input type="checkbox"/> Broodstock with egg or larval sales	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquaculture R&D for product/process creation
<input type="checkbox"/> Nursery with juvenile sales	<input type="checkbox"/> Production of biological compounds & substances
<input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile production for growout in marine waters*	<input type="checkbox"/> Biomedical research
<input type="checkbox"/> Pond stocking	<input type="checkbox"/> Education and instruction
<input type="checkbox"/> Rearing of baitfish	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquaponic production
<input type="checkbox"/> Cultivation in brackish or marine water*	<input type="checkbox"/> Home hobby and personal use only
<input type="checkbox"/> Cultivation in freshwater	<input type="checkbox"/> Rearing tropical fish for aquarium use
<input type="checkbox"/> Other - (please be specific) _____	

** Listing of a marine or diadromous species, listing discharge as direct to coastal waters, or checking a box with an Asterix may result in referral of the application to the Department of Marine Resources*

Please respond Yes or No to the following questions:

	YES	NO
1. Do you understand that the transfer of live product, embryos, and gametes into your facility from sources within the State may require a transfer permit from either DIFW or DMR?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you understand that importation of live product, embryos, and gametes into the State of Maine requires an importation permit from either DIFW or DMR?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Do you understand that the transfer of live product, embryos, or gametes from this facility to other facilities or to private or public waters of the State may require a transfer permit from either DIFW or DMR?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Do you understand that the licensee must keep all invoices of live or processed product sold and purchased and have them available for inspection by the Commissioner or an authorized agent?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I hereby state that the information included in this application is true and correct and that I have read and understand the current regulations governing aquaculture and the above-listed standard conditions that apply to the importation, introduction and/or movement of aquatic animals.

Signature _____

Date _____

NOTE: It is a Class E crime to obtain a permit through fraud, misstatement or misrepresentation (Title 12 MRSA Section 10757)

(Instructions and additional information on following pages)

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Permit Type/Number: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved OR <input type="checkbox"/> Denied By: _____	Date: _____
Additional conditions: _____	

Application Instructions

To facilitate the processing of your application and issuance of your operating license as quickly as possible, please fill out the application form *completely*, providing all the following information. *Do not leave spaces blank.*:

Name of Company/Facility - Business name of primary owner(s), and facility name (if different.)

Name of Owner/Manager - Owner of facility, and primary contact for questions (if not the same individual).

Business Mailing Address/Email/Phone number - Mailing address, email & phone number for any questions regarding the facility, and for written correspondence (license, notifications, etc.)

Physical Address - Address of where licensed activity will take place if different from business address

Facility Description - Please describe your facility with words such as the following: indoor, outdoor, open to the public, academic institution, laboratory, controlled access, bio-secure, earthen pond, lined pond, tank based, aquaria based, Recirculating Aquaculture System(RAS), aquaponic, biofloc, discharge dependent, located away from surface waters of the State, located adjacent to surface waters of the State. **You may opt to provide a more detailed description including labeled diagrams. If such is provided, please write "See attachment" in space provided.**

Water source- Describe the water source: municipal, well water, deep aquifer, shallow aquifer, fresh water, marine water, artificial salt water, pond water, lake water, river water, trucked water, pumped and piped, UV treated, filtered, ozonated, and untreated.

Discharge- Describe the discharge: discharge to surface waters of the State (name the body of water), untreated discharge, treated discharge (solids filtration, UV, ozone, chlorine, other), discharge to private septic and leach field, discharge to a POTW (public owned treatment works licensed by DEP. Provide name of POTW), discharge used for growing terrestrial crops, discharge to aquaponics, and zero water discharge. Do not include water to be discharged for general sanitation.

Aquatic Species - List all species currently or intended for culture at the facility. If species are added to or subtracted from existing inventories, notify the department of any changes and your license will be modified accordingly.

Source of egg/aquatic animal(s) - List the source(s) from which eggs and/or aquatic animals intended for culture, whether from domestic source on site or from any outside source/facility, will be obtained.

Annual production- Provide anticipated production at full scale. Provide anticipated figure or; less than 20,000 lbs., less than 100,000 lbs. or greater than 100,000 lbs.

Anticipated daily discharge- Provide anticipated discharge volume at full scale. Provide anticipated figure or one of the following: zero water discharge, less than 25,000 GPD, or greater than 25,000 GPD. If you have a DEP discharge permit, attach a copy. If you have an industrial user permit from your POTW, provide the number.

Read and acknowledge the questions which indicate the stipulation that pertains to this license.

Sign and date application.

Return completed application and fee to: MDIFW, Fisheries and Hatcheries Division, 41 SHS, Augusta, ME 04333-0041. Please make check payable to "Treasurer, State of Maine"

Additional Information Pertaining to Aquaculture

Transfer and Importation Permits

Transfer from other locations or facilities within the State or importation of live freshwater finfish, gametes, or embryos from outside of the state, requires a permit from the Department, unless otherwise exempted. License holders approved for the cultivation of salmonids, and license holders approved for tilapia may obtain the fish for which they are licensed from approved instate commercial sources on page 5 of this application packet without the need for obtaining a transfer permit.

Note: A person may not introduce, import or transport any live fish or gametes into the State or receive or have in that person's possession fish or gametes without a valid permit; if convicted of this violation up to a \$10,000 fine may be imposed as described within Title 12 M.R.S. § 12509.

Fish Health Testing and Documentation: Fish health screening and documentation may be required for certain types of business activities, transfers, imports, and cultivators.

For freshwater species permitting and licensing questions contact:

- David Russell at DIFW, David.Russell@maine.gov, 207-287-2813
- Todd Langevin at DIFW, Todd.Langevin@maine.gov, 207-287-5262
- [DIFW Fish Importation Form \(PDF\)](#)

Other contacts of possible use:

Department of Environmental Protection – NPDES (facility discharge) permits

- Cindy Dionne at DEP, Cindy.L.Dionne@maine.gov, 207-287-7823

Department of Marine Resources-

- Marcy Nelson at DMR, Marcy.Nelson@maine.gov, 207-633-9502
- [DMR Importation, Introduction, and Transfer Forms](#)

Please feel free to contact DIFW with any questions via: Todd Langevin, Superintendent of Hatcheries Todd.Langevin@maine.gov; (207) 287-5262 or David Russell, Fish Pathologist David.Russell@maine.gov; (207) 287-2813. The application process is not meant to be difficult. If perceived as such, please don't hesitate to contact us for assistance.

APPROVED IN-STATE COMMERCIAL SOURCES FOR SALMONIDS

<u>Hatchery Name & Address</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
Micmac Farms 1353 Presque Isle Rd Caribou, ME 04736	Brook Trout	207-493-1269
Pierce Associates Inc./Shy Beaver Hatchery Sonny Pierce PO Box 258 West Buxton, Me 04093 Email: shybeavertrouthatchery@gmail.com	Brook trout Rainbow trout Brown trout	207-727-5841 207-229-3003 cell (please text)
Spectrum Trout Bob Hendry 47 Bumptown Rd So. Paris, ME 04271	Rainbow trout	207-744-2348 207-272-2853 cell

Some local Soil and Water Conservation Districts hold annual fish sales, contact information can be found here:
<http://maineconservationdistricts.com/district-locations>

APPROVED IN-STATE SOURCES OF TILAPIA

Herring Gut Learning Center
Port Clyde, ME
Liz @ 372-8677

University of Southern Maine
Gorham, ME
Theodore @ 780-5065

ME Academy of Natural Sciences
Hinckley, ME
Joe @ 238-4100

50-50 Food from Fish
South Berwick, ME
Joe @ (603)-969-6902

Gorham Middle School
Gorham, ME
Angela @ 222-1220

Blue Point Tilapia Farm
Brownfield, ME
Deborah @ 935-1022

Dirigo Tilapia
Frankfort, ME
Coley @ 223-4263