

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Title of Rule: Commercial Marine Fishing Licenses Issued between January 1, 2022 and June 30, 2022 that remain in effect through December 31, 2022

Rule Identifier: 250-RICR-90-00-22

Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Repeal

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: August 23, 2023

End of Public Comment: September 22, 2023

Rulemaking Authority:

R.I. Gen. Laws § R.I. Gen. Laws Chapters 42-17.1

20-2.1

and 20-2.2

R.I. Gen. Laws § 20-1-4 and in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 42-35

the Administrative Procedures Act

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

This rule was meant to serve temporarily during the transition from the old license structure to the new structure, which took effect July 1, 2022. This rule served to provide regulations for licenses issued under both the old and new structure, which occurred during the period from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. At this time there are no remaining licenses issued under the old structure, and this rule is now therefore obsolete

The Agency does not expect this filing to be controversial and therefore, a public hearing will not be held.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

If no formal objection is received on or before September 22, 2023, the Department of Environmental Management will file the Repeal and the Final Rule will take effect on this date.

Objections should be addressed to:

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Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staff person listed above.