

**State of Rhode Island
Department of Administration
Office of Management and Budget**

Fiscal Note for Proposed Administrative Rules (R.I.G.L. § 22-12-1.1)

Name of Administrative Rule: PART 7 – Dealers (250-RICR-90-00-7)

Dealer Fixed Place of Business Documentation

FISCAL IMPACT					
State Revenues		State Expenditures		City/Town Expenditures	
FY 2026	\$0	FY 2026	\$0	FY 2026	\$0
FY 2027	\$0	FY 2027	\$0	FY 2027	\$0
FY 2028	\$0	FY 2028	\$0	FY 2028	\$0

Summary of Policy Change:

Proposal: Division proposal to amend dealer regulations to require that all applicants for a RI dealer's license (finfish, shellfish, crustacean, and multi-purpose) provide documentation attesting that they, or their registered agent, maintain a fixed place of business in the state. Currently, no documentation is required, and the Division of Law Enforcement has identified several out-of-state dealers who have a RI dealer's license that are listing a RI fixed place of business without the business/property owner's permission or knowledge. The following amendments are proposed:

Section 7.6(B), 7.7(B), 7.8(B), & 7.9(B):

- Amend to include language requiring documentation attesting that the applicant, or their registered agent, maintains a fixed place of business in the state.
- Amend to include that documentation may consist of:
 - A current tax bill
 - A lease
 - A notarized letter from an eligible landowner or leaseholder granting permission to use their address/business as their fixed place of business
 - Any other documentation deemed acceptable by the Department

The Division did not feel this requirement was appropriate or necessary for the Direct Sales Dealer License, given that they are selling from their boat and must already provide documentation from the property owner and municipality giving permission.

Summary of State Fiscal Impact:

No state fiscal impact as there is no anticipated change in the number of licenses issued

City or Town Impact: None

Reviewed/Approved by CFO: _____ **Dated:** _____