



Northwest Arctic Borough

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COMMERCIAL FISHING GRANT APPLICATION

The exclusive purpose of the NWAB Commercial Fishing Grant is to assist commercial fishermen with valid up-to-date permits. This grant opportunity offers financial assistance to those applicants that qualify. These options are intended to encourage growth of locally owned and operated commercial fishermen, provide additional employment and income in the region, and promote safety through the Coast Guard requirements.

Application period opens June 13, 2022 and ends June 29, 2022 at 5pm. Grants are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Applications will not be accepted before June 13, 2022.

RULES

- Applicants may receive this award every other year.
- Applicants may not receive both Commercial and Subsistence Fishing Grant awards.
- Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- The resale of any fishing equipment obtained by this grant is absolutely prohibited.
- This grant is awarded on a first come first serve basis.
- The award is \$1500, payable to the vendor of your choice for nets, equipment, and/or Coast Guard required items for commercial fishing.

REQUIREMENTS

- ☐ The applicant's current commercial fishing permit for the Kotzebue Sound Fishery.
- ☐ Proof of current Northwest Arctic Borough residency is required. A copy of a utility bill, State ID, or Voter Registration are acceptable.
- ☐ A complete application, submitted within the application period, in one of the acceptable methods below. Submitted applications will receive a receipt of submission.

Email completed applications and attachments to: aerlich@nwabor.org, return to the Borough office at 163 Lagoon Street Kotzebue, or fax to NWAB (907) 442-2930.

Name _____ Birth Date: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Vessel name: _____ ADF&G Vessel #: _____

Ambler Ivisaappaat, Buckland Nunatchiaq, Deering Ipnatchiaq, Kiana Katyaak, Kivalina Kivaliñiq, Kobuk Laugviik, Kotzebue Qikiqtagruk, Noatak Nautaaq, Noorvik Nuurvik, Selawik Akuligaaq, Shungnak Isiijnaq



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RELEASE OF INFORMATION AUTHORIZATION

I hereby give my consent to the Northwest Arctic Borough to photograph and/or video me and my business to use the photographs and/or video recordings in its publications, which includes media such as websites, films, brochures, or similar electronic media. I agree the Northwest Arctic Borough may list my Business in publications such as websites, films, brochures, or electronic media. I agree that the photographs and/or videos recordings are the property of the Northwest Arctic Borough. I give up any right to inspect and/or approve the final product in which the photographs and/or videos may be used. I acknowledge and agree to the rules and requirements of this grant.

Signature

Date

COAST GUARD REQUIRED ITEMS

For open skiffs of any length, operating inside Kotzebue Sound from Cape Espenberg Light to Cape Krusenstern Light, with 4 or less people aboard.

1. Valid state registration with validation decal
2. Throwable flotation device
3. Efficient sound signal
4. Coast Guard approved navigation lights
5. Either US Coast Guard approved Immersion suit (One per person must be on board at all times) **OR** (Worn at all times) Type I, II, III, or V PFD with a marker light or strobe, along with at least one GPS-enabled 406 MHz personal locator beacon and a buoyant waterproof container or bag that contains required readily accessible visual distress signals. * SPOT devices are not sufficient
6. Approved distress signal (electronic OK with flag)
7. Injury placard (<http://www.fishsafewest.info/Training/D17/CFVSTraining/13-Injury%20Placard.pdf>)

17th Coast Guard District USCG Fishing Vessel Information: 907-463-2810/2809

For Maritime Emergencies 24/7: **907-463-2000**

Boat Registration (State of AK): 855-269-5551

DISCLAIMER: This is a general checklist developed for most commercial salmon skiffs in Kotzebue Sound - go to: <http://www.fishsafewest.info/>