

Requirements for Fisher Vendors

A Provincial Fisher Vendor licence is required by commercial fishers who sell their own catch:

- to the public (for their own consumption), directly from the harvest vessel, or
- to restaurants or retail stores.

Holding a Fisher Vendor licence does not authorize the individual to sell seafood at farmers' markets or road-side. Consult your Health Authority for further information.

Fisher Vendors must:

- ensure safe food,
- report unsafe food, and
- ensure they meet all regulatory requirements including those seen on the reverse side.

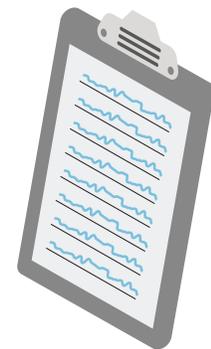
Commercial fishing is regulated by Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO).



Fisher Vendor Requirements Checklist

Complete this checklist to make sure you are in compliance with the Fish and Seafood Licensing Regulation requirements

- Vessel constructed with suitable materials that are durable and easy to clean – s. 32
- Washrooms and handwashing stations are available and adequate – s. 33
- Vessel is maintained to prevent unsafe food – s. 34
- Vessel is kept free of pests – s. 35
- Equipment used is made of suitable materials that are cleanable and maintained in good condition – s. 36
- Appropriate cold storage equipment used with temperatures recorded at least once a day – s. 37
- Activities conducted in a manner that will prevent unsafe food – s. 38
- Seafood maintained at appropriate temperature; water and ice used is of adequate quality – s. 40
- Equipment is regularly sanitized – s. 42
- Employees wear clean clothing, exhibit good hygiene, wash hands as required – s. 43
- Employees don't use vapour or tobacco products – s. 43
- Sick employees must not come into contact with seafood – s. 44
- Animals not present in vessel – s. 45
- Unnecessary items not stored in vessel – s. 49
- Records maintained for each delivery of fish including:
 - date of distribution,
 - quantity of fish distributed (divided by species),
 - amount received, and
 - contact information of the person receiving the fish **if** the receiver is a restaurant or retail outlet - s. 20
- Records kept for at least three years – s. 65



To obtain a Fisher Vendor licence, go to www.gov.bc.ca/seafoodlicensing