



March 6, 2020

**NOTICE: NEW IMPORTANT HERRING INFORMATION**

**IMPORTANT RENEWAL REMINDER DATE FOR 2019-2020 HERRING PERMITS**

The deadline to renew 2019-2020 Herring and Herring Eggs On Kelp Permits (HEOK) is March 31, 2020. Renewals submitted after the deadline will be denied.

**HERRING PERMIT CONVERSIONS**

Effective March 1, 2020, new herring regulations will convert herring permits as indicated in the chart below on April 1, 2020.

<b>Customer's Current Herring Permit</b>	<b>Customer's Converted Herring Permit</b>
One Eureka (Crescent City) Herring Permit	No Change (One Crescent City Herring Permit)
One Eureka (Humboldt Bay) Herring Permit	No Change (One Humboldt Bay Herring Permit)
One Tomales Bay Herring Permit	No Change (One Tomales Bay Herring Permit)
One San Francisco Bay CH Herring Permit (Converted Round Haul) with no HEOK designation in 2019	One San Francisco Bay Herring Permit
One San Francisco Bay CH Herring Permit (Converted Round Haul) designated HEOK in 2019	<u>One Temporary Herring Permit (San Francisco Bay) and One HEOK Permit</u>
One San Francisco Bay Herring Permit (not designated HEOK in 2019)	One Temporary Herring Permit (San Francisco Bay)
Two San Francisco Bay Herring Permits (not designated HEOK in 2019)	One San Francisco Bay Herring Permit
One San Francisco Bay Herring Permit designated HEOK	One HEOK Permit

**NOTES:**

- Customers may receive a maximum of 1 herring permit and 1 HEOK permit.
- No more than 10 HEOK permits may be issued.
- Customers obtaining 2 Temporary Herring Permits (San Francisco Bay) will automatically have those permits converted to 1 San Francisco Bay Herring Permit.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON VESSEL DESIGNATION**

Permittees must designate a currently registered vessel on the Commercial Herring Permit Worksheet when renewing for the 2020-2021 permit year. Up to two Temporary permits or one permit of any other classification of a herring permit may be assigned to a current registered vessel. No herring permit shall be valid for more than one vessel at a time.

## **IMPORTANT DATES AND HERRING REGULATION CHANGES**

March 15, 2020 - Herring permit partnerships must designate an individual to possess the permit.

April 1, 2020 - All Herring and HEOK Permits will be converted.

May 31, 2020 - Applications for renewal of herring permits for 2020 license year must be received by the department or, if mailed, postmarked by this date.

March 31, 2021 - Deadline to convert an HEOK permit to a Temporary gill net permit pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 163(b)(5).

April 30, 2021 - Applications for renewal of herring permits for 2021-2022 license year must be received by the department or, if mailed, postmarked by this date. After 2021, applications for renewal of herring permits must be received or postmarked by April 30, each year.

May 31, 2021 - Deadline to apply for new 2021-2022 herring permits for all areas and for new 2021-2022 HEOK permits. The deadline to apply for new permits is May 31, of each year. Note: No San Francisco Bay herring permits will be issued to new applicants until after March 31, 2025.

April 1, 2025 - Temporary permits become non-transferrable and non-renewable.