SOUTHERN ROCK CRAB TRAP PERMIT TRANSFER PROVISIONS

IMPORTANT DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR THE SOUTHERN ROCK CRAB TRAP PERMIT DRAWING FOR THE 2021-2022 PERMIT YEAR
The California Department of Fish and Wildlife’s (CDFW) License and Revenue Branch will begin accepting requests to transfer Southern Rock Crab Trap Permits (SRCTP) for the 2021-2022 permit year on Thursday, April 1, 2021.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, Section 125(e), any commercial fisherman with a valid SRCTP may transfer his/her permit to any person, who is licensed as a California commercial fisherman, subject to the following conditions.

APPLYING TO TRANSFER A SOUTHERN ROCK CRAB TRAP PERMIT
The following items must be submitted with the transfer request:
• A notarized letter from the permit holder requesting transfer of the SRCTP, which identifies the transferee.
• The permit holder’s original 2021-2022 SRCTP.
• A copy of the transferee’s valid California Commercial Fishing License.
• A copy of the transferee’s valid Trap Permit.
• Nonrefundable transfer fee of $1000.

NOTE: Not more than five (5) SRCTPs shall be transferred by the CDFW during each permit year (April 1 - March 31). Applications shall be processed in the order received in a permit year, pursuant to CCR, Title 14, Section 125(e)(3).

DEATH OF PERMIT HOLDER
In the event of the death of the permit holder, the estate of the holder of a SRCTP may renew that permit if needed to keep it valid. The estate of the decedent may transfer the SRCTP not later than two years from the date of the death of the permit holder as listed on the death certificate, pursuant to CCR, Title 14, Section 125(e)(4).

The estate must submit all the following with the transfer request:
• A notarized written request that identifies the deceased permit holder and the transferee. The request must be received no later than two years from the date of the death of the permit holder as listed on the death certificate.
• A court document naming the executor/executrix of the estate.
• A copy of the death certificate.
• The deceased’s original valid SRCTP.
• A copy of the transferee’s valid California Commercial Fishing License.
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A SRCTP, shall expire if the permit is not transferred by the end of the two-year period, pursuant to CCR, Title 14, Section 125(f)(5).

Mail documents and transfer fee to:

California Department of Fish and Wildlife
Attention: License and Revenue Branch
PO Box 944209
Sacramento, California 94244-2090

DEPARTMENT’S EVALUATION TIME FOR A TRANSFER OF A SRCTP
Evaluation of complete transfer requests will take approximately 20 business days after receipt by the CDFW’s License and Revenue Branch. If additional documentation is required, evaluation of the transfer request may take longer. If approved, a letter authorizing the transfer will be sent to the proposed permittee and existing permittee.

If you have any questions about the transfer requirements or application process, please contact (916) 926-5822 or LRBCOMM@wildlife.ca.gov.