

**§6808. Commercial green crab only license**

**1. License required.** It is unlawful for a person to engage in the activities authorized by subsection 2 without a current commercial green crab only license. This subsection does not apply to a person who holds a current lobster and crab fishing license issued pursuant to section 6421, subsection 1, paragraph A, B, C or E.

[PL 2019, c. 225, §10 (AMD).]

**2. Licensed activities.** The holder of a commercial green crab only license may fish for or take green crabs or possess, ship, transport or sell green crabs that the license holder has taken.

[PL 2001, c. 186, §1 (NEW).]

**3. Reporting; rules.**

[PL 2003, c. 170, §3 (RP).]

**4. Exemptions.**

[PL 2017, c. 284, Pt. EEEEE, §23 (RP).]

**4-A. Exemptions.** Notwithstanding subsection 1, a license is not required to fish for, take, possess or transport green crabs for personal use if the green crabs are taken by hand or by a method exempted from licensing requirements under section 6501, subsection 3, paragraph A.

[PL 2019, c. 225, §11 (NEW).]

**4-B. Municipal exemption.** Notwithstanding subsection 1, a license is not required to fish for, take, possess or transport green crabs if the green crabs are taken by a person acting at the direction of a municipal shellfish management committee, established pursuant to section 6671, subsection 2, for the purpose of municipal shellfish management. Green crabs taken under this exemption may not be sold.

[PL 2023, c. 563, §7 (NEW).]

**5. Eligibility.** A commercial green crab only license may be issued only to an individual.

[PL 2001, c. 186, §1 (NEW).]

**6. License fees.** The fee for a commercial green crab only license is \$2 for a resident license and \$4 for a nonresident license, which authorizes the license holder to engage in the licensed activities under subsection 2.

[PL 2017, c. 284, Pt. EEEEE, §24 (AMD).]

**7. Surcharge fees.** In addition to the license fees established in subsection 6, the commissioner shall assess a surcharge on each license issued under this section as follows, which must be deposited in the Green Crab Management Fund established in section 6809:

A. Eight dollars for a resident commercial green crab only license; and [PL 2013, c. 492, §11 (AMD).]

B. Sixteen dollars for a nonresident commercial green crab only license. [PL 2013, c. 492, §11 (AMD).]

[PL 2017, c. 284, Pt. EEEEE, §25 (AMD).]

**8. Prohibition.** The holder of a commercial green crab only license may not have aboard a boat used for crab fishing any lobster or lobster parts.

[PL 2001, c. 186, §1 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2001, c. 186, §1 (NEW). PL 2003, c. 170, §3 (AMD). PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. G, §§33, 34 (AMD). PL 2009, c. 229, §19 (AMD). PL 2013, c. 492, §§9-11 (AMD). PL 2017, c. 284, Pt. EEEEE, §§23-25 (AMD). PL 2019, c. 225, §§10, 11 (AMD). PL 2023, c. 563, §7 (AMD).

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