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POST-SEASON DERELICT GEAR RECOVERY PERMIT – 001-2018

Vessel Name: FV Gear Retriever
Documentation number: 666666
Boat License: 55555
Vessel Operator: Mr. Clean Up
Phone number: 444.444.4444
Alternate Vessel Operator: Mr. Clean Up II
Phone number: 333.333.3333



This permit, when issued by the ODFW to a commercially licensed fishing vessel, allows for the recovery and retention of commercial Dungeness crab gear under the provisions outlined below by the authority of ORS 508.943 and OAR 635-005-491. Failure of the vessel operator or alternate vessel operator to abide by the terms of this permit will result in termination of the permit. The permit provisions and criteria for participation in the post-season derelict gear recovery program may change in future years, as ODFW and the commercial fishing industry gain experience implementing this program.

1. **Permit** – The permit is not transferable and must be onboard the fishing vessel during all post season derelict gear recovery operations.
2. **Time period** – The permit is valid from XX/XX/18 through 10/12/18.
3. **Notification** – The vessel operator must notify ODFW at least 24-hours prior to the vessel leaving the dock to retrieve gear. Notifications must be given during regular business hours, Monday – Friday between the hours of 8AM – 5PM. The vessel operator must also notify ODFW at least 2 hours prior to returning to the dock following a gear recovery operation even if no gear was recovered during the trip. Notifications can be made by calling 541.867.0300 ext. 244. The notifications will allow ODFW approved staff to arrange to meet the boat to register all gear retrieved during the trip as soon as resources allow.
4. **Area** – Recovery operations are restricted to Oregon state waters in the Columbia River and Pacific Ocean and the Pacific Ocean in federal waters south of an east-west line extending westward at 46° 15' 00" North Latitude (Oregon/Washington border) and north of an east-west line at 42° 00' 00" North Latitude (Oregon/California border). Gear in Oregon waters with Washington buoy tags may only be retrieved through this program after Sept. 15th.

5. **Logbook** – The Department will make available a Post-Season Derelict Gear Recovery Logbook to each permitted vessel. The vessel operator is responsible for maintaining the logbook in an accurate and truthful manner and in accordance with the instructions contained therein. Complete, legible and accurate data records must be collected and provided to the ODFW approved staff upon returning with recovered gear. Additional log pages may be obtained from ODFW offices in Astoria, Newport, Charleston and Brookings or by making photocopies of a blank log page.
6. **Gear registration** – All gear recovered during permitted gear recovery must remain on the vessel and remain in the condition it was recovered until the gear is registered and tagged by ODFW approved staff. Tampering with recovered gear, including removing pot tags, buoys or other markings prior to registering the gear will result in termination of this permit. All completed post-recovery registration forms will be scanned in and posted on ODFW's website to allow any previous gear owners interested in negotiating for their previously owned pots to contact retrieving vessels. Giving first right of refusal to the previous gear owner is strongly encouraged through this program to continue to foster good relations within the commercial fishing community.
7. **Harvest prohibited** – All crab and non-crab species taken with the retrieved gear must be immediately returned to the ocean.
8. **Recreational crabbing and retrieval of recreational crab gear prohibited**-recreational harvest of all crab species and retrieval of recreational crab gear is prohibited during retrieval trips.
9. **Emergency exemptions** – Vessel name and permit number have been granted an emergency exemption from the gear recovery program. If encountered, this gear may be brought in as a courtesy but must be returned to the owner.

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