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December 13, 2021

2022 Off the Boat Sales

On November 17th, 2021, the San Mateo County Harbor District Board of Harbor Commissioners approved a Commercial Activity Permit for fishers conducting off the boat sales. The following is a summary of the requirements as approved by the Board:

1. To conduct Off the Boat Sales after December 31, 2021, you must first obtain an Off the Boat Sales Commercial Activity Permit.
2. Only vessels with a valid and current monthly berth rental agreement with the Harbor District may apply for a permit. Transient vessels under a transient vessel agreement do not qualify for an Off the Boat Sales Permit.
3. A new fee is being imposed at 2.5 percent of gross sales, collected on a quarterly basis.
4. The catch permitted to be sold under the Off the Boat Sales permit is limited to fish/shellfish/seafood, either caught by, or under the direct supervision on the fisher with the off the boat sales commercial activity permit.
5. Seafood being offered for sale must be sold from the boat that harvested the catch. Seafood may not be transferred ashore or to another boat for off the boat sales.
6. Each Captain conducting off the boat sales must obtain and maintain the required insurance.
7. A permit fee of \$290.00 is due with the application, as well as a \$500 deposit.
8. The permit is valid until December 31, 2022.
9. Sales to any commercial fish buyer, wholesaler, or any other commercial interest to include any restaurants, stores, or any resale purpose are NOT permitted under an Off the Boat Sales Permit.

For planning purposes, processing time for an Off the Boat Sales Permit is at least a week. It is critical that those interested on conducting off the boat sales complete and submit an application as soon as possible.

To obtain an Off the Boat Commercial Activity Permit, please contact the Commercial Activity Permit Coordinator at: 650-583-4400 or 650-808-7500, email:

permits@smharbor.com

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Pruett", is written over the name and title of the General Manager.

James B. Pruett
General Manager
San Mateo County Harbor District