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TO ALL COMMERCIAL LICENSE HOLDERS THAT QUALIFY FOR STRIPED BASS TAGS

At the September 9, 2022 Quarterly Commission Meeting, the Commissioners adopted a new policy regarding distribution of striped bass tags. The Commission is requiring **ALL** Striped Bass tags to be picked up at our office during normal business hours. Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Due to rising costs of postage, PRFC will no longer provide the option of shipping Striped Bass tags. We encourage you to contact the PRFC prior to renewal to ensure all of your previous season's tags have been accounted for based on the harvest catch reports submitted.

To receive your Striped Bass tags, you must meet the following requirements:

- 1. All of your daily harvest reports for the previous season must be submitted to the PRFC; and,**
- 2. All unused previous season tags must be returned to the PRFC; and,**
- 3. You must possess a valid Commercial license for the season in which you are requesting striped bass tags; and,**

Any discrepancies in the number of tags issued at the beginning of the season and the number of tags returned (either through harvest reports or through a return of tags) must be audited prior to those tags being issued. The PRFC assesses a one for one penalty for any unreturned Striped Bass tags. If there is a discrepancy that needs to be audited, the license holder is required to request this audit themselves and pay the \$25 fee. There are no proxies allowed to request or complete a striped bass tag audit.

**Your striped bass tags will be available ONLY if you have met all three requirements, as described this page.**

**Any individual that chooses to send someone else to pick up their Striped Bass tags, must provide their name, address, and DOB (see reverse) AND the licensee MUST sign this letter where indicated. That designee MUST have this letter with them in order to pick up your Striped Bass tags. A separate designee form will be required for each license you hold. Staff will not accept phone calls to verify permission to pick up the tags.**

SEE REVERSE

This form is **ONLY** required if you choose to designate someone, other than yourself, to pick up your Striped Bass tags.

## DESIGNEE FORM

I, \_\_\_\_\_, give \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name as shown on license) (Print Name of Designee)

permission to pick up my PRFC Striped Bass tags for my \_\_\_\_\_ license.  
(Specify License type)

I understand that this is the only person who can pick up my Striped Bass tags for the above mentioned commercial PRFC license(s). I further understand that, if there are any discrepancies to the number of tags owed to the PRFC from the previous season, the PRFC will hold that number of tags out of what is being issued and I will contact them directly to perform an audit. I will not hold the PRFC liable for any Striped Bass tags that may be lost by my designee. Your designee may be required to show an ID to staff.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Licensee Signature Date

Print Name of Designee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

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Staff Use Only: (Attach to back of the application)

Date SB Tags Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Initials: \_\_\_\_\_