

INPUTS FOR FISHERIES WEBSITE FROM CFID

- FAQs

1. How to apply license for commercial fishing industry?

- Any vacant fishing licenses will be advertised through the Local news paper (Pelita Brunei).

To apply, the applicant must;

- a. Obtain application form for Department of Fisheries
- b. Project proposal/Business Plan must be submitted together with the application form to the Department of Fisheries
- c. Evaluation & Recommendation by project Evaluation Committee, the Department of Fisheries
- d. Endorsement by the Project Implementation Committee, Ministry of Primary Resources & Tourism.
- e. Approval letter from the Department of Fisheries.
- f. Application of Import permit to bring in the fishing vessel from the marine Department, Ministry of Communication. Application must be attached with the approval letter from the Department of Fisheries.
- g. Joint inspection on Fishing vessel, Fishing Gear, Electronic Equipment and other navigational accessories by the Marine Department and the Department of Fisheries.
- h. Registration of Fishing Vessel by the Marine Department and Issuance of Fishing Gear License by the Department of Fisheries
- i. Operation.

2. Why do we need to submit capture fisheries catch data to the Division?

- For commercial fisheries operators, it is a must to submit their catch data every month as it is stated in the rules and regulation, Department of Fisheries. Catch data from all fishermen or operators in fishing industry, are required for fish stock assessment survey in order to estimate the status of the fish stock and marine ecosystem condition as well as for further planning by The Department of Fisheries on the development of capture fisheries industry.

3. What do we need to do after being awarded with fishing license to operate before buying fishing vessel?

- It is best to apply labour quota first as it may take sometimes along the process line. Meanwhile the applicant can proceed with identifying suitable labour and type of vessel according to the specification set by The Department of Fisheries.

4. What is the specification of vessel set by The Department of Fisheries?
Below is the specifications of vessel operated in different zones;

Zone	Specifications of Vessel by zone		
	Zone 2 3 – 20 Nautical miles	Zone 3 20 – 45 Nautical miles	Zone 4 45 – 200 Nautical miles
VESSEL AND ENGINE SPECIFICATION BY ZONE	Vessel : < 60 GT Wheel House Colour : Orange Engine : <350 Hp	Vessel : 60 – 150 GT Wheel House Colour : Marine Blue Engine : 351 - 600 Hp	Vessel : 150 – 200 GT Wheel House Colour : Red Engine : 600 - 800 Hp

5. Is there any subsidy on fuel price for a fishing vessel to operate to catch fish in Brunei waters?

If the fishing vessel is registered in Brunei Darussalam through The Marine Department, it will be charged at B\$ 0.31/litre of diesel, but if the fishing vessel is a chartered vessel, the charge will be at B\$1.13/litre of diesel (price is as in Sept 2015)

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