

collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before July 23, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Bob Dickinson, F/SF4, Room 13304, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282 (phone 301-713-2276, ext. 154).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. Abstract**

Regulations at 50 CFR 600.503 require that foreign fishing vessels display the vessel's international radio call sign on the port and starboard sides of the deckhouse or hull, and on a weatherdeck. The numbers must be of a specific size. The display of the identifying number aids in fishery law enforcement and allows other fishermen to report suspicious activity.

#### **II. Method of Collection**

No information is collected.

#### **III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0648-0356.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 45 minutes (15 minutes for each of three markings).

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 4.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$125.

#### **IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques

or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 15, 2001.

**Madeleine Clayton,**

*Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 051701B]

#### **High Seas Fishing Permit Application Information**

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**ACTION:** Proposed information collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)).

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. Abstract**

U.S. vessels that fish on the high seas (waters beyond the U.S. exclusive economic zone) are required to possess a permit issued under the High Seas Fishing Compliance Act. Applicants must submit information to identify their vessels and intended fishing areas. The application information is used to

process applications and to maintain a register of vessels authorized to fish on the high seas.

#### **II. Method of Collection**

Paper forms must be mailed to NOAA.

#### **III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0648-0304.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 200.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 100.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$10,000.

#### **IV. Request for Comments**

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### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 051701C]

#### **Foreign Fishing Vessel Permit Applications**

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**ACTION:** Proposed information collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing

effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Section 204(b) of the Magnuson-Steven Fishery Conservation and Management Act provides that foreign nations with fishery agreements with the U.S. may apply for permits to fish, to participate in a joint-venture with U.S. vessels, or to transmit fish or fish products within the U.S. economic zone. The regulations can be found at 50 CFR 600, subpart F. The application information is used by various entities, including the National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Coast Guard, Regional Fishery Management councils, and Department of State, to determine whether permits should be issued to applicants.

##### II. Method of Collection

Paper forms are used.

##### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0648-0089.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 25.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1.5 hours for an application for a directed fishery, 2 hours for a joint-venture application, and 45 minutes for a transshipment permit.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:*

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$8,800.

#### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 051701D]

##### Foreign Fishing Gear Identification Requirements

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**ACTION:** Proposed information collection; comment request.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Regulations at 50 CFR 600.503 require that foreign fishing vessels that deploy gear that is not physically and continuously attached to the vessel must mark that gear with a buoy displaying the vessel identification number of the vessel and attach a light visible for 2 miles on a night with good visibility. The marking of gear aids law enforcement and enables other fishermen to report on gear placed in unauthorized areas.

There currently are no foreign vessels authorized to do fishing that would be subject to this requirement.

##### II. Method of Collection

No information is collected.

##### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0648-0354.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 0.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 15 minutes per marking.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0.

##### IV. Request for Comments

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