

For Coast Guard inspected vessels

Compiled using CDC guidelines.

Effective **May 12, 2020**, until adjusted. This proposal would allow a limited opening of the “for-hire” fishing industry while promoting and assuring responsible outdoor activity, giving limited help to a devastated industry, and addressing corona virus concerns.

* Significant **Limits on the number of passengers**- Using a vessel’s U.S. Coast Guard issued Certificate of Inspection (COI) documented length, X 2 plus beam Divided by 6' (examples-a U.S. Coast Guard certified **65-foot** vessel would be limited to a maximum of 25 passengers and 2 crew, exclusive of Captain- 65' divided by 6, X 2 plus 22 average feet for the stern, less one to account for crew*; **100-foot** vessel would be limited to carrying no more than 36 passengers-100 times 2, plus 24 average feet for the stern, while accounting for 2 crew members).

*Customers names, addresses and telephone number shall be retained by vessel.

*For every 2 crew members (exclusive of the captain, who primarily stays in the wheelhouse/pilot house), one less passenger would be permitted. Please see above examples.

Cleaning/disinfecting protocol carried out by crew under the supervision of licensed captain who will maintain an independent log of same.

Crew monitored for symptoms daily, and must wear gloves and “face gear” (masks or fishing related gear such as “gaiters” or other face covering gear).

Mandate use of “face gear” and gloves by customers and crew. No admission onto boat without face gear and gloves.

Each customer will be questioned regarding the symptoms of the Covid-19 virus. A person(s) with known symptoms would not be granted admission on the vessel. Crew members with symptoms would not be permitted on board and would be directed to immediately consult with health care providers.

No fishing equipment may be shared. Nets or gaffs may be handled only by crew members,

Where possible, use touchless payment. Where not possible, vessel shall have available, and use, sanitizer after each transaction.

Assure frequent cleaning of “high touch” surfaces, with assigned crew member(s) designated for the task while logging same.

Lavatories shall be well stocked with hand washing supplies.

Signage listing the symptoms of Covid 19 shall be posted on-board every vessel.

For smaller vessel (“6-packs”-Uninspected)

The criteria above would be implemented but maximum of 5 persons to account for crew (unless all are family).