



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
**FISHERMEN'S CONTINGENCY FUND 15-DAY REPORT**

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Claimant's Name			SSN
Business Name			Tax ID#
Mailing Address			Phone (w)
City	State	Zip	Cell
Email Address			Phone (h)
Vessel Name		Vessel #	Date
Locational coordinates of obstruction (GPS)			
Description of the nature of the damage or loss			
Description of what caused the damage or loss (i.e. What did the vessel/gear hang on?)			
Damage or loss discover on _____ (date) and _____(time).		Vessel returned to port on _____ (date).	
Remarks, additional information, comments, etc.			

**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

- You must report the above information within 15 days after the date your vessel first returned to port after discovering such damage or loss to the Fishermen's Contingency Fund (FCF) at 301.427.8725 or to the address below.
- You must also file a completed Claim Application within 90 days of the loss or damage. NOAA Form 88-164, FCF Claim Application Form, may be used or see the FCF Regulations at 50 CFR Part 296.
- In order to gain a presumption that your damage or loss was caused by an item related to Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activities, you must submit the above information to National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) within the 15-day period. If the report is not submitted within the 15-day period, the presumption exception will not be allowed and you will have to prove that the obstruction causing the loss or damage was related to the oil and gas activities.
- Attach additional sheet(s) as needed.
- Claimant must agree to repay all or any part of the award if the award should be subsequently reduced.
- Privacy Act Statement.**  
 Authority: The collection of this information is authorized by Title 45 U.S.C. 1177 and CFR Part 259. The data is for the evaluation of eligibility for compensation from the Fishermen's Contingency Fund. Compensation will not be considered unless all requested information is furnished.  
 Purpose: In order to determine eligibility for the Fishermen's Contingency Fund, the NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) requires financial information, vessel owner contact data, vessel and licensing information, damage estimates, replacement invoices, verification of payments, fish ticket data, economic and fuel loss estimates, snag information, and other data as relevant.  
 Routine Uses: NMFS will use this information to determine eligibility for compensation from the Fishermen's Contingency Fund. Disclosure of this information is permitted under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a), to be shared within NMFS' Financial Services Division. Disclosure of this information is also subject to all of the published routine uses as identified in [Commerce/NOAA-21](#), Financial Services Division.  
 Disclosure: Furnishing this information is voluntary; however, failure to provide complete and accurate information will prevent the determination of eligibility and compensation from the program.
- A Federal Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with an information collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 unless the information collection has a currently valid OMB Control Number. The approved OMB Control Number for this collection is 0648-0082. Without this approval we could not conduct this information

collection. Public reporting for this information is estimated to be approximately 8 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information collection. All responses to this information collection are required to receive benefits. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the Financial Services Division (F/MB5) Office of Management and Budget, 1315 East West Highway-13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Silver Spring, MD, 20910, Attn: Elaine Saiz/Financial Services Division Chief and [Elaine.saiz@noaa.gov](mailto:Elaine.saiz@noaa.gov).

8. Confidential name and address information may be released via a NOAA website for informational purposes. All other data submitted will be handled as confidential material in accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, Protection of Confidential Fisheries Statistics. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently claim OMB Control Number.

Contact information: NMFS F/MB5 FCF, 1315 East West Highway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Telephone: 301.427.8725. Fax: 301.713.1306. Additional information at: [www.nmfs.noaa.gov/mb/financial\\_services/fcf.htm](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/mb/financial_services/fcf.htm)

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