



**Delaware Fish and Wildlife  
Boat Registration Office**  
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State of Principal Operation\* **DELAWARE**

**VESSEL REGISTRATION APPLICATION**

<b>**OFFICE USE ONLY**</b>		Reason for Application: <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer <input type="checkbox"/> Renew
DL # _____	FORM # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Year <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Years

**NOTICE: VESSELS CAN ONLY BE REGISTERED IN THE STATE OF PRINCIPAL OPERATION\*.** (If you do not use your vessel in Delaware waters more often than waters of another state during the calendar year, you cannot register your vessel in Delaware.)

**Do you intend to operate this vessel outside the waters of the U.S. and its territories?** **YES** **NO**

Please print or type; mark an "X" on appropriate line for EACH category.

HULL MATERIAL		PROPULSION TYPE		PRIMARY OPERATION	
AL <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum	RV <input type="checkbox"/> Rubber/Vinyl/Canvas	AT <input type="checkbox"/> Air Thrust	CH <input type="checkbox"/> Charter Fishing	DL <input type="checkbox"/> Dealer/Manu Demo	
FI <input type="checkbox"/> Fiberglass	ST <input type="checkbox"/> Steel	ML <input type="checkbox"/> Manual	CF <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Fishing	PL <input type="checkbox"/> Pleasure	
OT <input type="checkbox"/> Other	WD <input type="checkbox"/> Wood	OT <input type="checkbox"/> Other	CO <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Other	RL <input type="checkbox"/> Rental/Lease	
PL <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic		PR <input type="checkbox"/> Propeller	CP <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Passenger	DO <input type="checkbox"/> Documented	
		SL <input type="checkbox"/> Sail			
		WJ <input type="checkbox"/> Water Jet			

VESSEL TYPE		FUEL		ENGINE DRIVE TYPE	
AB <input type="checkbox"/> Air Boat	OT <input type="checkbox"/> Other	DI <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel	IN <input type="checkbox"/> Inboard	OT <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
AS <input type="checkbox"/> Auxiliary Sail	PC <input type="checkbox"/> Paddle Craft	EL <input type="checkbox"/> Electric	OU <input type="checkbox"/> Outboard	PD <input type="checkbox"/> Pod Drive	
CB <input type="checkbox"/> Cabin Motorboat	PB <input type="checkbox"/> Pontoon Boat	GA <input type="checkbox"/> Gasoline	SD <input type="checkbox"/> Stern Drive		
HB <input type="checkbox"/> House Boat	PW <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Watercraft	OT <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
IN <input type="checkbox"/> Inflatable	RB <input type="checkbox"/> Row Boat				
OM <input type="checkbox"/> Open Motorboat	SO <input type="checkbox"/> Sail Only				

Length	FT	IN	Make & Model	Vessel Name (if applicable)
Model Year <b>OR</b> Year Built			Hull ID #	
Previous Owner (if applicable)			Number Previously Issued	

**Lienholder (if applicable)** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION \*\***

*Owner Name (FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST, SUFF.) OR Company Name	*Phone Number	*Email Address
*Owner Address: STREET ADDRESS, PO BOX, CITY, STATE, & ZIP	*Date of Birth	*US Driver's License <b>OR</b> Passport/Foreign ID <b>OR</b> File Number/EIN

**Joint Ownership if Watercraft is Owned by More Than One Person (circle one): AND / OR**

2nd Owner Name (FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST, SUFF.) OR Company Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Owner Address: STREET ADDRESS, PO BOX, CITY, STATE, & ZIP	Date of Birth	US Driver's License OR Passport/Foreign ID OR File Number/EIN
3rd Owner Name (FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST, SUFF.) OR Company Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Owner Address: STREET ADDRESS, PO BOX, CITY, STATE, & ZIP	Date of Birth	US Driver's License OR Passport/Foreign ID OR File Number/EIN

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify under penalty of perjury that I/we am/are the legal owner(s), or agents thereof, of the vessel described in this application and that Delaware is the "State of Principal Operation" for this vessel.

\_\_\_\_\_ I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Delaware that the foregoing is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_ I also acknowledge that I must notify the Division of Fish & Wildlife within 15 days of the owner(s) change of address and/or if the vessel is sold, destroyed, abandoned, becomes documented, or is no longer principally operated in the waters of Delaware.

**NOTICE: False statements made herein are punishable by law pursuant to 11 Del. C. § 1233.**

Signature of Owner	Printed Name	Date
Signature Co-Owner (if applicable)	Printed Name	Date

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

The following documents must accompany applications for vessels to be **REGISTERED** in Delaware:

### **New Vessel**

- Original Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin or Builder's Certificate assigned to purchaser(s) and original Bill of Sale (if Certificate of Origin or Builder's Certificate is not assigned to purchaser(s))
- Picture or pencil tracing/rubbing of Hull ID number
- Copy of valid ID/Driver's License or Passport

### **Used Vessel**

- **Original Title**
  - Seller must complete purchaser information and sign title
  - If Title has not been signed, seller must complete a notarized bill of sale with a complete description of vessel
  - Picture or pencil tracing/rubbing of Hull ID number
  - Copy of valid ID/Driver's License or Passport
- **Original Registration (non-title states only)**
  - Seller must complete a notarized bill of sale with complete description of vessel
  - Picture or pencil tracing/rubbing of Hull ID number
  - Copy of valid ID/Driver's License or Passport
- **Federal Documentation**
  - Photocopy of seller's most recent Certificate of Documentation
  - Seller must complete a notarized bill of sale with complete description of vessel
  - Picture or pencil tracing/rubbing of Hull ID number
  - Copy of valid ID/Driver's License or Passport
- **Lien release (if applicable)**
- **Deceased Owner**
  - Copy of Death Certificate
  - Copy of Short Form stating Administrator
  - If sold, copy of notarized bill from Administrator
  - Picture or pencil tracing/rubbing of Hull ID number
  - Copy of valid ID/Driver's License or Passport
- **Home Made Boat**
  - First time registration must be done through Dover office
  - Notarized statement from builder and a witness with full description of boat Copies of invoices for materials purchased
  - Picture of completed boat
  - Picture or pencil tracing/rubbing of Hull ID number
  - Copy of valid ID/Driver's License or Passport

**\*\*\* BOAT REGISTRATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE FROM JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> TO DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> \*\*\*\***

**\*State of Principal Operation** means the State in whose waters a boat/vessel is or will be operated most during the calendar year. (33 C.F.R. § 173.3)