

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Institute of Standards and Technology****Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Ask CHIPS Information Collection**

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on Thursday, April 2, 2026, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

Title: Ask CHIPS Information Collection.

OMB Control Number: 0693–0092.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission, extension of current information collection.

Number of Respondents: 250.

Average Hours per Response: .083 hours (5 minutes).

Burden Hours: 20.75 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Ask CHIPS web form is available as a streamlined method for customers to submit requests to meet with the CHIPS team or request a speaker engagement. The information is used by the CHIPS Program Office to schedule and coordinate engagements with CHIPS stakeholders.

Information to be collected includes: Basic customer contact information, details on who they would like to meet with and when/where, as well as CHIPS-related topics they would like to discuss. The data requested is limited to the information necessary to efficiently schedule these engagements and provide the customer with the desired information during these engagements.

Affected Public: Individuals and business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Once.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: CHIPS Act of 2022 (Division A of Pub. L. 117–167) (the Act).

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collection currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0693–0092.

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Departmental PRA Compliance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Notification of Fees for Seafood Inspection Services

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of fee schedule.

SUMMARY: The NMFS Seafood Inspection Program (SIP) is notifying program participants that its fee schedule for fiscal year 2027 will remain as established on November 1, 2022.

DATES: The fee schedule applies to services rendered as of October 1, 2026, until notified otherwise.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jenny Stephenson, Office of International Affairs, Trade, and Commerce, 301–427–8307 or at jenny.stephenson@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS operates a fee-for-service SIP under the authorities of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended, the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, and the Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1970. The regulations implementing the SIP are contained in 50 CFR part 260. The SIP offers inspection, grading, and certification services, including the use

of official quality grade marks which indicate that specific products have been federally inspected. Those wishing to participate in the program must request the services and submit specific compliance information. Since 1992, NMFS implemented inspection services based on guidelines recommended by the National Academy of Sciences, known as Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP).

Under the implementing regulations for the SIP, fees are reviewed at least annually to ascertain that the hourly fees charged are adequate to recover the costs of the services rendered. Any necessary adjustments to fees are made in accordance with the requirements of 50 CFR 260.30. This **Federal Register** notice serves to inform program participants of the fee schedule, which remains unchanged.

SIP costs used for the calculation of user fees include all relevant direct and indirect costs to the program, and applicable administrative overhead and surcharges. SIP fees must be set to promote full cost recovery of the program absent other appropriations.

SIP costs include all field operations, program administrative overhead, and management, and include expenses for labor for inspectors, facilities, information technology infrastructure, and other operational costs. SIP fees are set to recover those costs based on revenue projections from expected billable service hours and the number of certificates requests. Forecasts of demand for services use historical data on actual billed services that are adjusted annually for inflation, known events that might affect the predicted output of billable services, and seasonality of when forecasted services will take place throughout the year.

NMFS will assess its fees as outlined in this notice, which will apply until notified otherwise. Fees will be charged to contract and non-contract customers requesting services as listed below. The cost of other applicable services rendered will be recovered through fee collection using the base rate of \$238 per hour.

Fees and Charges for the U.S. Department of Commerce Seafood Inspection Program

The per hour fees and charges for fishery products inspection services are not being revised and will remain as established on November 1, 2022 for fiscal year 2027 and will be assessed as follows. Any travel associated with a billable service will be an additional charge.

Contract Rates

- *Regular time:* Services provided during any 8-hour shift.
- *Overtime:* Services provided outside the inspector's normal work schedule.
- In addition to any hourly service charge, a night differential fee equal to 10 percent of the employee's hourly salary will be charged for each hour of service provided after 6 p.m. and before 6 a.m. A guarantee of payment is required for all contracts equal to 3 months of service or \$10,000, whichever is greater.

Non-Contract Rates

- *Regular time:* Services provided within the inspector's normal work schedule, Monday through Friday.
- *Overtime:* Services provided outside the inspector's normal work schedule.
- Any services under contract in excess of the contracted hours will be charged at the non-contract rate.

TABLE 1—CONTRACT AND NON-CONTRACT HOURLY RATES

Contract Rates	
Regular	\$238
Overtime	357
Sundays & Holidays	476
All Non-Contract Rates	
Regular Time	357
Overtime	536
Sundays & Holidays	714

Certificates

All certificate requests, whether or not a product inspection was conducted, will be billed at a set flat rate of \$97 per request.

Additional information about, and applications for, Program services and fees may be obtained from NMFS (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section).

Dated: September 2, 2026.

Alexa Cole,

Director, Office of International Affairs, Trade, and Commerce, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Economic Surveys of the Commercial and Charter Harvesting Sectors of Federally Managed Fisheries: Greater Atlantic Region Commercial Fishing Business Cost Survey for 2026

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on December 6, 2021 (86 FR 213), during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

Title: Generic Clearance for Economic Surveys of the Commercial and Charter Harvesting Sectors of Federally Managed Fisheries: Greater Atlantic Region Commercial Fishing Business Cost Survey for 2026.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0823.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission (request to add a new generic information collection under an approved generic clearance).

Number of Respondents: 220.

Average Hours per Response: 30 minutes per form.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 110 hours.

Needs and Uses: This is a request to add surveys for the Greater Atlantic Region Commercial Fishing Business Cost Survey for 2026 to the Generic Clearance for Economic Surveys of the Commercial and Charter Harvesting Sectors of Federally Managed Fisheries.

The National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS or NOAA Fisheries) has conservation and management responsibilities for many living marine resources and their

habitat. NMFS collects and uses economic data to make more than a cursory determination of whether a variety of provisions in the applicable laws, Executive Orders (EOs), and NOAA or NMFS strategies and policies have been met by past fishery conservation and management actions or will be met by proposed actions. The relevant measures of economic performance include costs, earnings, and profitability (net revenue); productivity and economic efficiency; capacity; economic stability; the level and distribution of net economic benefits to society; and market power. The economic impacts include sector, community, or region-specific and national employment, sales, value-added, and income impacts. The efforts to monitor, explain and predict changes in economic performance and impacts are ongoing and contribute to the value of the information contained in regulatory analyses of current and proposed fishery conservation and management measures, stock assessment and fishery evaluation (SAFE) reports, as well as other technical and scientific reports that address changes in economic performance and impacts.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Once.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA).

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0648–0823.

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