



## Port Salerno Commercial Fishing Dock Authority is Seeking Applicants for Membership

P.O. Box 567 Port Salerno, FL 34992

Currently, the Port Salerno Commercial Fishing Dock Authority "PSCFDA" is accepting applications for a membership vacancy. All applicants are required to meet the qualifications described in the BYLAWS TO THE ARTICLE OF INCORPORATIONS including but not limited to the items listed below:

- **All applications are due no later than July, 30, 2021**
- **All applicants must be a full time Martin County, FL resident**
- **All applicants must possess and maintain a valid Florida Saltwater Products License with a Restricted Species Endorsement**
- **All applicants must have his or her own vessel with a valid Florida Commercial Vessel Registration**
- **All applicants must be an active Commercial Fisherman**
- **All applicants must not have NO history of Felony Violations of local, state, and/or federal fishing wildlife laws and regulations**

A member shall be removed from the PSCFDA by one of the following means:

- **Demise**, as attested by Certificate of Death and/or legally published notice of same
- **Retirement and/or voluntary resignation**, as attested by a Member's letter to the PSCFDA Board of Directors asserting such intention
- **Removal with cause**, as attested by the PSCFDA Board of Directors whereby, a majority of Directors it is deemed the action of the Member is not consistent with the BYLAWS TO THE ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION

Applicants for Membership shall be reviewed by the PSCFDA Board of Directors for content and assurance that all criteria for Membership have been fulfilled. Applicants must certify that they have not been convicted, adjudicated guilty, and/or paid a fine for violation of any local, state, and/or federal fishing wildlife laws and regulations concerning commercial or recreational fishing, including but not limited to, rules and statutes enforced by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission "FWC." Those whom do not meet the standards for acceptance will be returned to the submitter with a written explanation as to the ground for removal from Membership consideration.

Approved Candidates, will be notified of their approval, along with the date, time, and meeting location of the Membership selection meeting by certified mail with a return receipt requested no later than two weeks prior to the meeting. In the event, the Applicant pool exceeds the number of available positions; a lottery system will be implemented to fill the Membership count.

The lottery will be conducted as follows:

*At an announced Meeting of the PSCFDA Board of Directors each approved Candidate shall receive no less than, a two week notice, each Applicant shall be directed to draw a number from a lot of numbers equal to the total of Candidates present, drawing such number in order of arrival time at the Meeting Site. The number so selected will be recorded by the PSCFDA Secretary in the name of the Candidate and entered into a ballot box secured by the PSCFDA Sergeant of Arms.*

*A member at Large shall be approved by unanimous decree of the PSCFDA Board and shall select, one at a time, ballots duly recorded and thereby attesting to new Member acceptance. The PSCFDA Secretary shall attest to the authenticity of the ballot.*

*This process shall continue until such time the Membership quota is fulfilled.*



**Please call Edward Olsen “PSCFDA Executive Director” at (772) 263-1735 for a Membership Application Form. Upon completion of the application, it shall be sent to the below address:**

**Port Salerno Commercial Fishing Dock Authority  
P.O. Box 567  
Port Salerno, FL 34992**

**THE DEADLINE FOR HAVING APPLICATIONS TURNED IN IS July, 30, 2021**

# **PORT SALERNO COMMERCIAL FISHING DOCK AUTHORITY INC. (P.S.C.D.A)**

## **I. Membership**

The Membership shall be limited to 35 individual fishermen meeting all qualifications as described in the Authorities' **BYLAWS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION** including, but not limited to,

The Member shall be a full time Martin County, FL resident.

The Member shall possess a valid FL Saltwater Products License and a valid FL Restricted Species Permit.

The Member shall have his/her own vessel with valid FL registration.

The Member shall be an active Commercial Fisherman.

## **II. Removal from Membership**

A Member shall be removed from the Authority by one of the following means:

- **Demise**, as attested by Certificate of Death or legally published notice of same
- **Retirement or voluntary resignation**, as attested by a Member's Letter to the Authorities' Board of Directors asserting such intention
- **Removal with cause**, as attested by the Authorities' Board of Directors when, by a majority of Directors, it is deemed the action of the Member is not consistent with the Bylaws to the Articles of Incorporation.

## **III. Acceptance of New Member**

A new member shall be accepted into the **PSCFDA** & provided that

- He/She meets all qualifications according to Item I, **Membership**
- The 35 Member limit is not exceeded, according to Item I, **Membership**
- A vacancy exists, according to Item II, **Removal from Membership**
- No history of any felony violation of local, state and federal fishing wildlife laws and regulations

## **IV. Rules Governing Acceptance of New Member(s)**

When a vacancy in the membership occurs, a notice to the public will be posted at the dock facilities occupied by the **PSCFDA** announcing that the **PSCFDA** is seeking applications for future Membership. The Notice will include information on the status of current vacancies, if any, and will include information as to criteria for Membership, as well as a description of the membership selection process, contact information for membership applications, the location where applications may be sent, and the exact date of the application deadline. The announcement shall remain posted for a period of, at least, one (1) month prior to the application deadline. Such notice shall also be advertised at least twice before the application deadline; the first advertisement shall be published at least thirty days prior to the meeting and the second advertisement shall be published no more than 10 days, nor less than 5 days, prior to the application deadline. The required advertisement shall be no less than 2 columns wide by 10 inches long in a standard size newspaper, and the headline in the advertisement shall be in a type no smaller than 18 point. The advertisement shall be placed in a newspaper of general paid daily circulation in Martin County. The ad may not be placed in the classified or legal notice of the newspaper. In addition the notice shall be provided to the Assistant to the County Administrator for posting as the County Administrative Building on the



MartinCounty website and MCTV at least 30 days prior to the application deadline.

Applications for Membership shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors of the **PSCFDA** for content and assurance that all criteria for Membership are fulfilled. Applicants must certify that they have not been convicted, adjudicated guilty, or paid a fine for violation of any local, state or federal law, rule or regulation concerning commercial or recreational fishing, including, but not limited to, rules and statutes enforced by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Those not meeting all standards for acceptance will be returned to the submitter with a written explanation as to grounds for removal from membership consideration.

Approved Candidates will be notified of their approval, as well as the date, time and location of the membership selection meeting by certified mail, return receipt requested, no less than 2 weeks prior to the meeting. In the event the Candidate slate is less than, or equal to, the number of vacancies, the Candidates will be automatically awarded full Membership rights into the **PSCFDA**.

In the event the Candidate slate exceeds the number of available positions, a lottery system will be implemented to fill the membership count. The lottery will be conducted as follows:

- At an announced Meeting of the Board of Directors, to which each Candidate shall receive no less than a two weeks notice, each Candidate shall be directed to draw a number from a lot of numbers equal to the total of candidates present, drawing such number in order of arrival time at the Meeting Site. The number so selected will be recorded by the Authority's Secretary in the name of the Candidate and entered into a ballot box secured by the Authority's Sergeant At Arms.
- A member at Large shall be appointed by unanimous decree of the Board and shall select, one at a time, ballots duly recorded and thereby attesting to new member acceptance. The Authority's Secretary shall attest to the authenticity of the ballot.
- The process shall continue until such time that membership quota is fulfilled.

Subsequent lottery draws shall not recognize previous applications and each membership vacancy shall be treated as a new and unique opportunity to Candidates to apply for membership.