



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

**VERIFICATION OF LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THE
UNITED STATES -- APPLICANT AND PRINCIPALS**

Attn: Commercial Licensing

Columbia - PO Box 11710 Columbia, SC 29211-1710 Charleston - PO Box 12559 Charleston, SC 29422-2559

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FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY

Case Verification Number _____ Result _____

- Commercial Saltwater Commercial Freshwater Aquaculture
- Wholesale / Bait Dealer Mariculture / Culture Commercial Fur

Pursuant to Section 8-29-10, et seq. of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976, as amended), the Department of Natural Resources must verify that any person who applies for a South Carolina commercial license or privilege is lawfully present in the United States. Complete and sign this affidavit of eligibility. The information provided is subject to verification.

The undersigned _____ of _____,
(Print clearly First, Middle and Last name) (Home Address)

_____ being first duly sworn deposes and states as follows:
(City, State and Zip Code)

Check ONLY One Box: See reverse side for Instructions, Definitions, and Accepted Documents.

1. I am a **United States Citizen** eighteen years of age or older.
2. I am a **Legal Permanent Resident** eighteen years of age or older.
3. I am a **Qualified Alien** under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act, Public Law 82-44, eighteen years of age or older, and lawfully present in the United States.
4. Other (**Explain**): _____

_____ Date of Birth

_____ Alien Registration Number

(MUST ATTACH COPY OF IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS)

I UNDERSTAND AND ACKNOWLEDGE that any person who fails to execute this Affidavit will automatically be denied the license to which it applies; and further, that the representations made in this Affidavit shall apply throughout any license(s) or renewals issued; and further, that I shall have an affirmative duty to immediately advise the Department of Natural Resources in any change of my immigration or citizenship status. I, hereby, also understand and acknowledge that a person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit executed pursuant to *South Carolina Code Section 8-29-10* entitled *Verification of Lawful Presence* shall in addition to other sanctions imposed by this state or the United States, be guilty of a felony and upon conviction must be fined and/or imprisoned for not more than 5 years (or both).

Under penalty of perjury and recognizing that I am subject to the criminal and civil penalties imposed by Title 12, of the South Carolina Code of Laws, I declare that I have examined this Affidavit and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Affiant

SWORN to and subscribed before me this

_____ day of _____, year of _____

Notary Public for _____

My Commission Expires: _____

Notary (L.S.)

Notary (printed name)

REQUIRED: Fill out completely (if applicable).

Customer ID Number: _____

Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____
(Name)

Contact Person Phone Number: (_____)_____

In order to receive a commercial license or permit, an individual or each principal of a business requesting the license or permit must attach a completed residency status verification affidavit to the application. For a business, each principal, officer, owner, member and/or partner **MUST** sign the form. If applicable, include his/her non-citizen alien registration number and attach a copy of all appropriate immigration documents. The form **MUST** be notarized to be accepted.

Check box 1 –

If you are a **US Citizen** by birth or naturalization.

Check box 2 –

If you are a **legal permanent resident** and you are not a US citizen, but are residing in the US under legally recognized and lawfully recorded permanent residence as an immigrant.

PROVIDE A COPY OF ALL IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS.

Check box 3 –

If you are a **qualified alien**. You are a qualified alien if you are:

- an alien who is lawfully admitted for permanent residence under the INA;
- an alien who is granted asylum under Section 208 of the INA;
- a refugee who is admitted to the United States under Section 207 of the INA;
- an alien who is paroled into the United States under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA for a period of at least 1 year;
- an alien whose deportation is being withheld under Section 243(h) of the INA (as in effect prior to April 1, 1997) or whose removal has been withheld under Section 241(b)(3);
- an alien who is granted conditional entry pursuant to Section 203(a)(7) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1980;
- an alien who is a Cuban/Haitian Entrant as defined by Section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980;
- an alien who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty, or whose child or parent has been battered or subject to extreme cruelty.

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Check box 4 –

If you are a non immigrant and you are an alien who seeks temporary entry to the US for a specific purpose. The alien must have a permanent residence abroad (for most classes of admission) and qualify for the nonimmigrant classification sought. The nonimmigrant classifications include: foreign government officials, visitors for business and for pleasure, aliens in transit through the US, treaty traders and investors, students, international representatives, temporary workers and trainees, representatives of foreign information media, exchange visitors, fiancé(e)s of US citizens, intracompany transferees, NATO officials, religious workers, and some others. Most nonimmigrant can be accompanied or joined by spouses and unmarried minors (or dependent) children.

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Accepted Immigration documents:

Unexpired Foreign passport with I-551 stamp or attached INS Form I-94 indicating unexpired employment authorization

Alien Registration Receipt Card with photograph (INS Form I-151 or I-551)

Unexpired Temporary Resident Card (INS Form I-688)

Unexpired Employment Authorization Card (INS Form I-688)

Unexpired Reentry Permit (INS Form I-327)

Unexpired Refugee Travel Document (INS Form I-571)

Unexpired Employment Authorization Document issued by the INS which contains a photograph (INS Form I-688B)