

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION (FAQ)
MANAGEMENT AND SURVEILLANCE DIVISION**

1. What are the types of licences issued by the Department of Fisheries ?

They are four (4) types of licences issued by the Department of Fisheries such as :-

- 1.1 Import, Export and Transit Licence of Fish;
- 1.2 Fishing Gear Licence;
- 1.3 Fish Processing Licence;
- 1.4 Fish Culture Farm Licence.

2. Is it necessary to get permission or permit from the Department of Fisheries to import fishes and prawns for own consumption ?

Yes, valid permit issued by the Department of Fisheries are required to import or export of fish, prawn, crab and squid not exceeding six (6) kg for each category for personal use only with the administrative charges of B\$2.00 per permit and valid for two (2) weeks from the date of issued.

3. Is it necessary to have a fishing gear licence from the Department of Fisheries to fish from the land such as along the riverbank or along the beach using hook and line or fishing rod ?

Under the Fisheries Order 2009, all fishing gears used should be licenced. However, fishing from the land such as along the riverbank or along the beach using hook and line or fishing rod, such fish gear licences are not yet enforced for those areas and the public are allowed fishing without fishing licence using hook and line or fishing rod only.

4. Why Pacific White Shrimp (*Litopenaeus Vannamei*) are not allowed to be imported and transit within Brunei Darussalam ?

Live or uncooked Pacific White Shrimp (*Litopenaeus Vannamei*) are not allowed to be imported or transit within Brunei Darussalam because they are considered as carrier of White Spot Syndrome Virus (WSSV) which can affect the development of aquaculture shrimp industry in Brunei Darussalam.

5. Is it necessary to have a licence to organize sport fishing competition ?

Under the Fisheries Order 2009, valid licence issued by the Department of Fisheries are required to organize sport fishing competition with the fee of B\$50.00 for each tournament. Only hooks and lines or fishing rods are allowed to be used in the fishing competition, while numbers of hooks and lines used the participants will be licence under the name of organizer with the fee of 0.25 cents per hook.

6. How much is the licence fee to import, export and transit of fish for commercial use ?

The licence fee for import, export and transit of fish would be B\$20.00 per consignment.

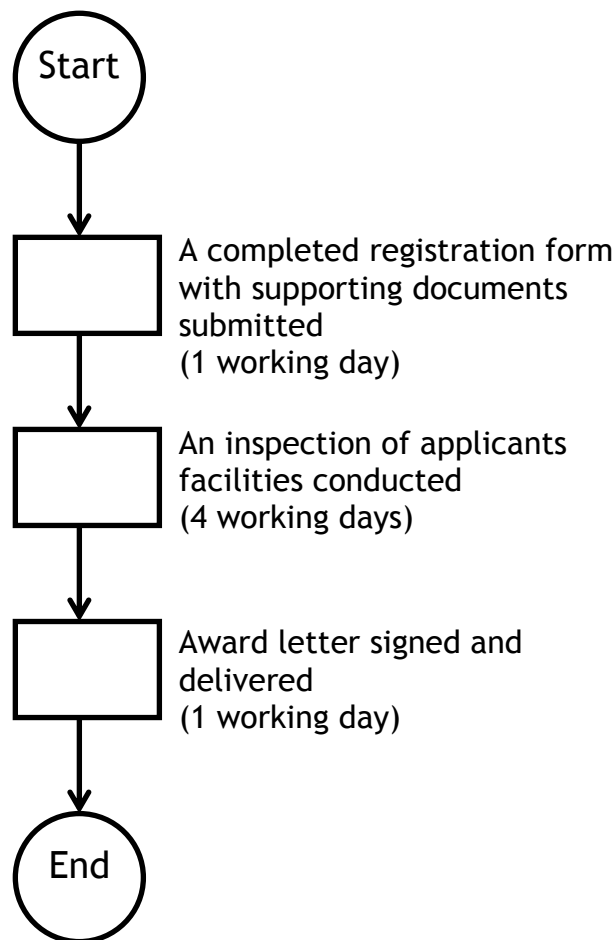
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PROCEDURES ON IMPORT/EXPORT OF FISH

Checklist for pre-approval of application to register as importer/exporter are as follows :-

1. A completed filled-in registration form;
2. A copy of smart Identification Card of applicant (owner of company);
3. A copy of Business Registration Section 16/17 which indicate the activity include AF5 or No 46.

**Flow Chart Business Process to Register Importer/Exporter of Fish
with lead time total of six (6) working days**



Upon endorsement by Department of Fisheries, the applicant for import/export licence of fish will be as follows :-

- The applicant should apply the application for import/export licence through e-MIPR system;
- License fee will be B\$20.00 per consignment and validity for one month;
- Health Certificate if required by importing country;
- Certificate Of Origin if required by importing country;
- Applicant agree and sign condition of the license with regards to importing or exporting of fresh, frozen and live fish.

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PROCEDURES ON APPLICATION OF FISHING GEARS LICENCE

1. The applicant should filled-in a complete application form issued by Department of Fisheries available from Licensing Section.
2. Application form shall attach together with :-
 - Copy of identity card, applicant and assistant;
 - Copy of labour license, 555 form issued by Labour Department, only for company using foreign fishermen.
3. A Copy of passport size colour photograph.

FLOWCHART OF ISSUANCE OF FISHING GEARS LICENCE

