



Fishing Guide License

ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO BE CONSIDERED A COMPLETE APPLICATION

Incomplete applications will not be processed and will be returned to the applicant

New Renewal – Guide License # _____ Update - Guide License # _____

A fishing guide authorizes a person to assist a fishing outfitter license holder’s client(s) in taking or attempting to take fish and is employed by or contracted with a fishing outfitter license holder.

APPLICANT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name of Applicant (First, Middle Initial and Last Name):

Social Security #:

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Weight: _____

Height: _____ Hair: _____ Eye Color: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

County (if resident) _____

Kentucky Resident Yes No

FISHING OUTFITTER INFORMATION*

Name of Business: _____

Fishing Outfitter License Number: _____

Fishing Outfitter License Holder Legal Name (print): _____

Fishing Outfitter License Holder Signature: _____

Date: _____

** All fishing guides must be registered under a Fishing Outfitter License holder and may only guide clients for the Fishing Outfitter for which you are registered under. Should you desire to be a fishing guide for multiple fishing outfitters, you must apply on a separate application, but you do not need to pay for another fishing guide license.*

Office Use Only	
_____ IWVC	Comments: _____
_____ KDSS	_____
_____ Courtnet	_____
Final Recommendation	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
If no, provide justification: _____	

KDFWR Law Enforcement Director or Designee:	

Date: _____	

Not effective until 2026

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FISHING HELPER INFORMATION (if relevant)

A fishing helper is a person who is in the same boat or is directly alongside of the fishing guide if standing on a stream or riverbank while guiding others in the taking or attempting to take of fish and must be registered by the fishing guide license holder.

Fishing Helper # 1

HELPER INFORMATION

Name of Applicant (First, Middle Initial and Last Name):

F&W Customer ID #:

Mailing Address: _____

City:

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Fishing Helper # 3

HELPER INFORMATION

Name of Applicant (First, Middle Initial and Last Name):

F&W Customer ID #:

Mailing Address: _____

City:

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Fishing Helper # 2

HELPER INFORMATION

Name of Applicant (First, Middle Initial and Last Name):

F&W Customer ID #:

Mailing Address: _____

City:

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Fishing Helper # 4

HELPER INFORMATION

Name of Applicant (First, Middle Initial and Last Name):

F&W Customer ID #:

Mailing Address: _____

City:

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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Please indicate all the fish you plan to solicit for guiding services or provide guiding services:

- Crappie Catfish Black Bass (Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted) Trout Muskellunge
- Panfish Percid (Walleye, Saugeye, Sauger) Temperate Bass (Striped, Yellow, White, Hybrid) Bowfish
- Other: _____

Note: Every month you must report guiding activity conducted by you, regardless if you guided clients or not as specified in 301 KAR 3:150 at <https://app.fw.ky.gov/commReport>

The following items must be submitted for each year by the applicant. These items are required for all outfitter applicants:

_____: NCIC/LINK check- Background check from Kentucky State Police – All applicants must have a CURRENT background check each year. The background check can be found at: <https://www.kentuckystatepolice.ky.gov/background-check-forms>

_____: Copy of Boater Education Certificate- for those outfitters or guides guiding anglers by boat*

_____: Copy of CPR Certification (Valid the entire license year)*

_____: Copy of First Aid Certification (Valid the entire license year)*

_____: Copy of Valid KY Fishing License and applicable Trout Stamp

_____: Copy of Valid Driver’s License or State Identification Card

* If you possess a current USCG OUPV Captain’s license, you may send a copy of it in lieu of the Boater Education, CPR and First Aid Certification.

PAYMENT INFORMATION License & Fees: <https://fw.ky.gov/Licenses/Pages/Fees.aspx> and 301 KAR 5:022

Statement of Fact: (Required by KRS 164.772)

I hereby state that I am not in arrears or default on a repayment obligation under any financial assistance program with Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority. I understand that if I am in arrears or default on a repayment

obligation under any financial assistance program with Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, my license or permit may not be issued or renewed.

Please allow 10-15 business days for processing. Applications are accepted online at fw.ky.gov/dclapp or via the mail and not emailed or delivered in person to KDFWR headquarters in Frankfort.

Statement:

I, the undersigned, hereby state that upon signing this instrument, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) and all of its employees shall be released of any liability that might occur as a result of my issuance of this license or permit. I certify that I have read and understand [301 KAR 3:150](http://301KAR3:150). Further, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information herein

is correct and true. All licenses are subject to the requirements of KRS Chapter 150 and supportive administrative regulations.

If you have additional questions, please call 1-800-858-1549 to speak with a representative from the Division of Law Enforcement.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

<p>The application and payment may be submitted online at fw.ky.gov/dclapp or via mail to:</p> <p>Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources</p> <p>Law Enforcement Division</p> <p>#1 Sportsman’s Lane Frankfort, KY 40601 ATTN: Fishing Guide License</p>
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