

ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT ON  
STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR APPROVING EXEMPTED FISHING PERMITS

The Enforcement Consultants (EC) propose the following changes to the draft Operating Procedures portion of the Standards and Criteria for Approving Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs), Exhibit E.7, Attachment 2.

As it relates to Page 2, Review and Approval – Other considerations, change the wording to reflect:

EFP candidates or participants may be denied future related fishing opportunities under the following circumstances:

If the applicant/participant (fisher/processor) has violated past EFP provisions; or has been convicted of a crime related to commercial fishing regulations punishable by a maximum penalty range exceeding \$1,000 within the last three years; or within the last three years assessed a civil penalty related to violations of commercial fishing regulations in an amount greater than \$5,000; or, has been convicted of any violation involving the falsification of fish receiving tickets including, but not limited to, mis-reporting or under-reporting of groundfish. Documented fish receiving tickets indicating mis-reporting or under-reporting of groundfish will not qualify for consideration when fish reporting documents are used as part of the qualifying criteria for EFP's.

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