

ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT ON PROPOSED DEEP-SET BUOY GEAR  
EXEMPTED FISHING PERMITS

The Enforcement Consultants (EC) has reviewed and discussed the proposed Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Application Forms and has the following comments to make.

The EC considers the John Foster application to be incomplete or missing information that needs to be clarified to address potential enforcement concerns. We request the applicant provide the following additional information –

1. More information is needed on how the applicant intends to “actively tend” two strings (60 hooks) of Linked Buoy Gear, which may also include fishing Standard Buoy Gear at the same time and harpooning while the gear is deployed.
2. The applicant stated that he intends to fish under this EFP in conjunction with a Standard Deep Set Buoy Gear EFP that the applicant was previously recommended to receive. The EC would like to see more information on how he intends to fish both EFP’s at the same time.
3. The signature on the application is not that of the EFP applicant.

This information is necessary to make an informed decision as to any enforcement concerns.

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