



## Deep-Set Buoy Gear Application

**Application Date** Monday, May 24, 2021

**Applicant(s):**

**\*We have provided room for two applicant names below - Applicant a) and Applicant b). If you have additional applicants/vessels/participants, please fill them in the field at the bottom of this form.**

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**Commercial Fishing Permits Held:** Lobster Operator Permit, Sea Cucumber Diving Permit

**Commercial Fishing Experience:**

	<b>Years of Experience</b>	<b>Gear type / Type of participation (Captain, Crew, Vessel owner, etc.)</b>
<b>DSBG</b>	0	
<b>Other swordfish gear</b>	1	Harpoon/ Crew
<b>Other gear type(s)</b>	6	Diving/ Captain, Crew. Fixed-Gear Trapping/ Crew, this year I am Captain and vessel owner. Rod and Reel/ Captain, Crew

**Applicant b)** Robert Ashe

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## Commercial Fishing Experience:

	Years of Experience	Gear type / Type of participation (Captain, Crew, Vessel owner, etc.)
DSBG	0	
Other swordfish gear	0	
Other gear type(s)	4	Rod and Reel/Vessel Owner,Captain,Crew. Diving/Vessel Owner, Captain, Crew

**Number of vessels\*:**

1

**Vessel a) Name:**

Dominique Rose

**Registration Number:**

FG 71427, Coast Guard 999497

**Name of Operator:**

Austin Ashe, Robert Ashe

**Commercial Fishing Permits Held:**

Lobster Operator, Sea Cucumber Diving

\*List information for additional EFP applicants/vessels/participants in the field at the bottom of this form.

**Do any of the applicants/vessel operators have current/pending state or federal violations in any commercial fishery? (If Yes, follow-up on the nature and status of any violations may be required as part of the application review process).**

No

**Duration: The EFP will normally be issued for a two-year period from the date of issuance. If you have good reason for receiving an EFP for a longer period, specify the requested number of years and provide justification for the longer duration:**

We feel two years is an adequate amount of time to provide additional data for DSBG.

**Intended DSBG Configuration (See [Attachment A](#) )**

Standard

**Describe proposed gear modifications (if any) that differ from the descriptions in Attachment A:**

N/A

**Do you intend to target any species other than swordfish? (This does not include other species that get caught incidentally when targeting swordfish)**

No

**If you do plan to use the gear to catch other species, list the species and how the fishing**

**method you plan to use would differ (depth, time of day, season, etc.):**

While targeting swordfish- We intend to keep and sell incidentally caught species such as: Opah, Thresher Shark, Etc.

**Fishing Area and Effort:**

	Number of vessels/Vessel names	Estimated fishing effort in number of days or sets
Southern California Bight (Pt. Conception to the U.S.-Mex. Border)	1	Up to 30 days
Central California (Point Reyes to Point Conception)	1	Up to 10 days
Northern California (42 degrees N. latitude to Point Reyes)		
Oregon (Columbia River to 42 degrees N. latitude)		

Please note that applications to fish outside the Southern California Bight will be looked on more favorably in the review process.

**Additional information you think would be helpful in reviewing the application concerning where you plan to fish and the amount of fishing:**

We plan to fish the months of May-December for Swordfish on and off. We dive for Sea Cucumbers June 15th~August, and fish Lobster October-March.

We have a slip in Channel Islands harbor and San Diego bay. That gives us the option to fish Swordfish throughout the Southern California Bight and above Point Conception.

We plan to fish Swordfish as much as possible May-December when we are not fishing Sea Cucumbers and Lobster.

**Data Gaps: Will your EFP fishing specifically address any of the following data gaps? (See [Attachment B](#) for descriptions)**

Active gear tending

Gear conflicts/number of vessels

gear configurations

Concurrent gear use

**Explain what methods you would use, or information you plan to gather, to address the data gaps you checked off above:**

We will tend our gear in line of sight to ensure we get to each strike quickly so we can aid in a quick release of protected and unmarketable species.

Our goal is to fish far from other vessels and gear. We will avoid over crowding an area and would like to have zero interactions with other vessels and gear. We have one boat and plan to fish where others aren't. Dominique Rose will be fishing offshore banks, offshore islands, above pt. Conception and avoiding near coastal waters and other vessels and gear.

We will be using the standard DSBG as described in attachment A. Three hooks (single 18/0 circle hooks) all branching from the main line (270-320m) positioned at depths below 100m. It will be a three float system with two indicator floats, and one 36cm diameter non-compressible long line float. The

configuration will include a high-flyer locator flag with a radar reflector and strobe attached.

Other gear that may be on the boat would be rod and reel set ups for tuna like species. That gear and fishing will not interrupt our effectiveness in tending the DSBG.

**Reporting Requirements and Observer Coverage:**

- You must maintain a logbook for reporting catch and other operational information (such as time and location of catch) in a format specified by National Marine Fisheries Service
- Up to 100% observer coverage may be required on your EFP fishing trips
- Data gathered as part of the EFP will be publicly available

**I acknowledge the above conditions, and verify that I am willing and able to cover the cost of any level of observer coverage required under permit terms and conditions.**

Yes

**Applicant a) Signature:**



**Applicant b) Signature:**

