



**APPLICATION  
INLAND BAYS SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE LEASE LOTTERY 2017**

NAME (Please print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT'S ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:**  
Leslie Reese, Shellfish Aquaculture  
DNREC - Fisheries Section  
89 Kings Highway  
Dover, DE 19901

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Or  
[DNRECFisheriesRegs@state.de.us](mailto:DNRECFisheriesRegs@state.de.us)  
Or  
Fax: (302) 739-6157

Applicants will be contacted by the Department at the telephone number provided by the applicant to acknowledge receipt of their lottery application. If you do not receive verification from the Department that your lottery application was received, please call the Fisheries Section at (302) 739-9914 before the application deadline. The lottery will be held Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Lewes Facility, 901 Pilottown Road, Lewes, DE 19958. The applicant does not need to be present at the lottery to claim their lottery position. The applicant does not need to have a completed lease application at the time of the lottery. The Department will attempt to contact applicants after the lottery in the order they are drawn, at the telephone number provided (up to three attempts will be made). The applicant will have two business days from the time they are contacted by the Department to choose available acreage. If the applicant is unreachable at the telephone number they have provided on this form, or has not reported their selection from the available acres in the two business days, they will forfeit their lottery position and may apply for acreage in a first-come, first-serve manner, as specified in 7 Del.C. §2006. **A completed and legible lottery application must be received by 4:00 p.m. on April 26, 2017, to be eligible for the May 2, 2017 lottery.**

**Notice**

Lottery applicants should be aware that the waters in and around Shellfish Aquaculture Development Area IR-A are likely to be designated as a "Prohibited Shellfish Growing Area" within the next one to two years based on recent bacterial contamination trends.

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

<b>For Department Use Only</b>			
<i>Application Number Assigned</i>		<i>Date &amp; Time App. Rcvd.</i>	
<i>Verification of Application Receipt - Phone Number</i>		<i>Date &amp; Time Called</i>	
<i>Order Application Drawn</i>		<i>Acres selected</i>	

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Attention: Potential Applicants for the Inland Bays Shellfish Aquaculture Initial Lease Lottery

In accordance with 7 **Del.C.** §2006, the Department will conduct a public lottery for the opportunity to lease available acres for shellfish aquaculture in Delaware's Inland Bays. The lottery will determine the order in which the applicants will select their potential lease acres. Applicants do not have to be present at the time of the drawing to participate in the lottery.

In order to be eligible to participate in this lottery, lottery applications must be received at our office by 4:00PM on Wednesday, April 26, 2017. **Late applications will not be accepted.** Applications received will be assigned numbers by the Department that will be randomly selected in the lottery to be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Lewes Facility, 901 Pilottown Road Lewes, DE 19958. Applicants will be contacted by the Department at the telephone number they provide to acknowledge receipt of their lottery application. It is the lottery applicant's obligation to make sure their application reaches our office in Dover in time to be included in this lottery. If you do not receive a call from the Department confirming receipt of your application by 4:30 PM on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, please call the Fisheries Section at (302) 739-9914.

Completed applications may be mailed to:  
ATTN: Leslie Reese, Shellfish Aquaculture  
DNREC - Fisheries Section  
89 Kings Highway  
Dover DE, 19901

Completed applications may also be emailed to [DNRECFisheriesRegs@state.de.us](mailto:DNRECFisheriesRegs@state.de.us) or faxed to (302) 739-6157.

Following the lottery, applicants will be contacted via the telephone number they supplied in their lottery application when it is their turn to select from the available acres. Applicants will have two business days from the date they are contacted (up to three contact attempts will be made) by the Department to select acreage for possible leasing. Each applicant may select up to five acres in the Indian River and Rehoboth Bay (combined) and up to five acres in the Little Assawoman Bay. Should an applicant fail to select their preferred acreage within the two business day window, they will forfeit their lottery position. That applicant will be able to apply for acreage in a first-come, first-serve manner, as specified in 7 **Del.C.** §2006.

The acres selected by a lottery participant may not be transferred to another eligible entity prior to the issuance of a fully executed lease. If the lottery participant fails to submit a completed and accepted lease application to the Department within one year from the date of the initial lottery, those acres will be made available for leasing in a first-come, first-serve manner, as specified in 7 **Del.C.** §2006.

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