



OHIO LAKE ERIE FISHING GUIDE LICENSE

The Ohio fishing guide license and decal can be obtained only from the Sandusky office of the Ohio Division of Wildlife. The license and decal are annual, running from April 16th of one year through April 15th of the following year. The license fee is \$50.00 per year.

Before an Ohio fishing guide license and decal can be issued, an applicant must submit (in person or by mail) an Ohio Lake Erie Fishing Guide License application to the Sandusky office. The following information is required on the application: name and address; county of residence; telephone number; birth date; social security number; place of dockage; name of boat (if there is one); registration or federal documentation number; boat length, and U.S. Coast Guard license number and date of expiration.

If you are applying for only an ice fishing guide license, disregard the information about the boat and Coast Guard license; **unless, you are using an air boat**. IF you are using an airboat to transport people to/from your ice shanties, a Coast Guard license **will** be required. Either way, you will need to know the number of ice shanties and the general area of use.

COAST GUARD LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

The Ohio Lake Erie Fishing Guide License Application, for first-time applicants, must be accompanied by their **original** or a **notarized** copy of the Coast Guard license. **THEREAFTER, THE CURRENT ORIGINAL COAST GUARD LICENSE OR A NOTORIZED COPY MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLY WHEN THE COAST GUARD LICENSE IS RENEWED.** If you mail a notarized copy in lieu of the original Coast Guard license, that notarized copy will be retained at the Sandusky office.

The Coast Guard requires a license of all people taking passengers for hire on the Great Lakes. Information concerning the U.S. Coast Guard license can be obtained by contacting:

U.S. Coast Guard
Marine Safety Office
234 Summit St. or By going to the website @ www.uscg.mil/stcw
Toledo OH 43604
PHONE: (419) 418-6010

FOR ANYONE WISHING TO APPLY IN PERSON

THE LICENSES ARE ISSUED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. AND 4:00 P.M.. THIS OFFICE IS CLOSED ON WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS.

We are now able to take cash, check, credit card, or money order for payments.

Please submit a check or money order made payable to OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE along with the application if applying by mail.

The Division of Wildlife's Sandusky office address and phone number are:

**Ohio Division of Wildlife
305 E. Shoreline Dr.
Sandusky OH 44870
Phone: (419) 625-8062**