Tautog Tagging Program Report Form
Rev. 3/2020

Name ________________________________

Plate Number _______________________

Vessel Name _________________________

State Reg / USCG Doc No. _______________________

Year _______ ________

Did Not Harvest Tautog
This Year

This space for office use only.
The commercial tautog fishery in Connecticut opens on April 1st. Please be advised that beginning in 2020, all commercially-harvested tautog offloaded and/or landed in Connecticut must be tagged by the commercial harvester prior to offload and/or landing with a tag issued by CT DEEP.

Prior to offload and/or landing in Connecticut, all commercially-harvested tautog must be tagged in the left operculum (gill plate) with a DEEP-issued tag, such that the tag number is visible. Tags are individually numbered, are single use, and are assigned to individual fishermen. Tags cannot be transferred between individuals or fish. Tags are issued on an annual (calendar year) basis. All issued tags not used by the end of a calendar year must be returned to DEEP (either in person or certified mail) by February 15 of the following year.

Commercial harvesters are also required to complete this supplemental report (in addition to standard monthly logbooks) accounting for the use of all tags they were issued. These completed supplemental reports must be submitted to DEEP when requesting additional tags during the calendar year, or by Feb 15 of the following year. DEEP will not provide additional tags to a commercial fishermen during the calendar year until that fishermen submits the completed supplemental report accounting for the use of tags issued previously that year.

Failure to return unused tags and/or provide required supplemental report(s) may result in an inability to acquire tags for the next year.

Tautog must remain tagged until they reach the final consumer. Processed tautog or tautog filets shall be packed with the tag and the tag must be available for inspection, until such time as the processed tautog or tautog filets are sold to the final consumer.

**Cover Instruction**

Enter the vessel owner's information including name and plate number.

Enter the vessel information including vessel name, state registration or USCG documentation number.

Indicate the current fishing year of the report, if you did not commercially harvest tautog the entire year indicate this by putting a 'X' next to the text 'did not harvest tautog this year'. Note: You are also required to return unused tags as mentioned above.

**Data Sheet Instructions (columns on the right of this page)**

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**Date**
Enter the date the fishing trip occurred on which the tagged fish was harvested.

**Tag Number**
Enter the tautog tag number which is the four digit number (followed by the letter ‘A’) located on the medial tag secured to the fish operculum (gill plates). This is a unique tag number which was specifically issued to you.

**Logbook Serial Number**
Enter the unique serial number on the cover of the Connecticut ‘Commercial Fisheries Catch Log’ which corresponds to the date of trip reported. If you complete Federal Fishing Vessel Reports, enter the unique Trip ID for the trip.

**Page Number**
Enter the page number (Trip ID) in the ‘Commercial Fisheries Catch Log’ located on the top right corner of the page.