

Frequently asked questions about recreational fisheries and sport fisheries at sea

- 1. Where can I buy recreational fisheries at sea license or sport fisheries at sea license?**
 - Licenses can be bought at official web pages of Directorate of fisheries (<http://www.mps.hr/ribarstvo>) or in the offices of Directorate of fisheries after the payment was made. They can also be sold by dealers authorized by Directorate of fisheries. Sport fisheries licenses can also be bought at official web pages of Croatian association for sport fisheries at sea (www.hssrm.hr) and are also sold by member associations of Croatian association for sport fisheries at sea.
- 2. What should I do if I bought the wrong license or entered wrong data?**

In case of buying recreational fisheries license, one should contact Directorate of fisheries, and in case of buying sport fisheries license, Croatian association for sport fisheries at sea should be contacted.
- 3. How can I obtain a license if I buy it online?**

After completing a procedure of buying the license, confirmation of purchase and license number will be sent by e-mail.
- 4. What kind of fisheries gear and equipment can be used by recreational fisheries license owners and sport fisheries license owners?**

License type	Permitted gear and equipment	
	Gear type	Quantity
Recreational fisheries license valid for 1, 3, 7 or 30 days	Different kind of hook lines and rods for fish and cephalopods	2
	Troll lines with ripping hooks for catching cephalopods	2
Sport fisheries license for sea valid for 1, 3, 7 or 30 days	Different kind of hook lines and rods for fish and cephalopods	2
	Troll lines with ripping hooks for catching cephalopods	2
	Speargun	2
Annual licenses for recreational fisheries at sea	Different kind of hook lines and rods for fish and cephalopods	2
	Troll lines with ripping hooks for catching cephalopods	2
	Pots (traps)	3
	Gigging spear	1
	Beach worms trap	2
	Artificial light	One source of artificial light up to 400 CD power in gigging and catching cephalopods with troll lines with

		ripping hooks
Annual licenses for sport fisheries at sea	Different kind of hook lines and rods for fish and cephalopods	2
	Troll lines with ripping hooks for catching cephalopods	2
	Speargun	2
	Gigging spear	1
	Beach worms trap	2
	Artificial light	One source of artificial light up to 400 CD power in gigging and catching cephalopods with troll lines with ripping hooks
Annual license for bottom longline	Bottom longline	One or more longline with up to 100 hooks

5. Who is allowed to buy an annual license for recreational or sport fisheries at sea?

Anyone can buy an Annual licenses for recreational fisheries at sea. As for sport fisheries annual license, one should buy membership card of any association that is member of Croatian Federation for Sport fisheries at sea (HSSRM). HSSRM contact is cfosa@ri.htnet.hr, phone: +385 99 2000 644 or +385 51 212196.

6. During which period an annual license is valid?

An annual license for both recreational and sporting fisheries is valid only for calendar year in which it is bought, no matter when it is bought.

7. Are children obliged to buy a license?

Children up to 14 years old can use one hook or one troll line without purchasing a recreational fisheries license.

8. Are children allowed to take part in sport fisheries?

They are allowed as long as they are not using a speargun. License is not valid for sporting fisheries while using a speargun for citizens up to 16 years.

9. How can I buy the license for a bottom longline fishing?

Purchasing a license for a bottom longline fishing is allowed only by annual license holders.

10. Is it allowed to catch tuna fish when owning a recreational license?

It is not allowed with recreational license, but it is possible to buy a special license for recreational fishery of tuna, swordfish and Mediterranean spearfish which allows catching of tuna fish. License owners are, though, obliged to set fish free before taking it ashore. In recreational fishery of tuna, swordfish and Mediterranean spearfish it is allowed to retain only one specimen of swordfish or Mediterranean spearfish daily per each license. Caught tuna must be released before pulling on board of the vessel. Licenses for recreational fishery

of tuna, swordfish and Mediterranean spearfish are valid as general licenses for recreational fishery as well, for the period for which they are issued.

11. Which area licenses for recreational or sport fisheries cover?

After buying license, owner is allowed to fish anywhere in Croatian part of Adriatic, except in territories regulated by special regulations, like national parks, nature parks, mariculture areas, ports, river mouths and beaches and bathing places from May, 1st to October, 1st.