

**97C.821 POSSESSION, SALE, AND TRANSPORTATION OF COMMERCIAL FISH.**

Subdivision 1. **Transporting and holding commercial fish.** Subject to the applicable provisions of the game and fish laws, fish taken under commercial fishing licenses may be possessed in any quantity, bought, sold, and transported at any time. Commercial fishing licensees may transport their catch live to holding facilities, if the licensee has exclusive control of the facilities. Licensees must annually provide the legal description and verification of exclusive control on forms provided by the commissioner with the license application. Commercial fishing licensees may harvest fish from their holding facilities at any time with their licensed gear. The commissioner may prohibit the transport of live fish taken under a commercial fishing license from waters that contain nonnative species, are listed as infested waters, or are infected with any certifiable disease.

Subd. 2. **Invasive species certification.** (a) A commercial fishing licensee, and each apprentice working under the licensee's commercial fishing license, must annually complete invasive species training provided by the commissioner and pass an examination to qualify to take, sell, or transport commercial fish within the state.

(b) A commercial fishing licensee, and each apprentice working under the licensee's commercial fishing license, must have a valid invasive species training certification in possession while taking, selling, or transporting commercial fish within the state.

**History:** 1986 c 386 art 3 s 64; 1Sp1995 c 1 s 44; 2004 c 243 s 38; 2008 c 307 s 20; 2014 c 289 s 49; 2014 c 290 s 55

**NOTE:** The amendment to this section by Laws 2014, chapter 290, section 55, is effective March 1, 2015. Laws 2014, chapter 290, section 55, the effective date.