



Midcoast Maine Fishing Heritage Alliance

Membership Application

I support fishing in Midcoast Maine and am interested in becoming a member of The Midcoast Maine Fishing Heritage Alliance. Please sign me up for the following category of support:

Flounder (\$10)

Hake (\$25)

Haddock (\$50)

Cod (\$100)

Halibut (\$500)

Crew (\$1,000)

Captain (\$5,000)

I would like to make an additional contribution of \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Alternative address: _____

**Please make checks to "The Midcoast Maine Fishing Heritage Alliance" and mail them to:
MMFHA, P.O. Box 314, Port Clyde, ME 04855.**

Thank you for supporting this local effort to celebrate and perpetuate our unique fishing heritage. We couldn't do it without you!

For more information about the Alliance and its programs and goals, please visit the website at: www.MidcoastFishingHeritage.org.

The Midcoast Maine Fishing Heritage Alliance is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation. All donations are fully tax deductible.



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About the Alliance

The Midcoast Maine Fishing Heritage Alliance was established in 2009 with the express purpose of helping to preserve the fishing way of life in Midcoast Maine. Based in Port Clyde, Maine, the Alliance was founded by a group of concerned community members and fishermen who wanted to create a non-profit entity that could help in the fight to preserve what has been a way of life in these waters for centuries.

The Alliance is dedicated to actively working to sustain our local fishery, the central aspect of our community's cultural heritage. Not every family in Midcoast Maine is a fishing family in the direct sense, but every family is connected to the fishery in some way, and we strive to tap the deep pool of interest in and support for the fishery in our community.

As a public charity, the Alliance's role is to increase public awareness about both the historic and contemporary importance of the fishing industry to the communities of Midcoast Maine. The Alliance is working to expand upon the gains made by the fishermen of the Midcoast fleet in recent years through their leadership in ensuring that the fish population remains healthy and that sustainable fishing practices are being used consistently.

Our Programs

We are currently launching several initiatives to help sustain the fishery and its heritage.

Vessel Safety, Maintenance and Repair

We are working to coordinate the community's effort to create infrastructure that will assist fishermen in keeping the fleet in safe and reliable condition. Fishing vessels need constant maintenance, and fishermen in Midcoast Maine traditionally have done much of the necessary vessel repair and upkeep themselves, cooperating with each other when a particular task exceeded a given fisherman's strength or repair skills. To revive and expand this community tradition, the Alliance will work collaboratively with the fishermen to turn their volunteer work in research, in education, and in the community into credits redeemable for vessel repair, maintenance and safety.

Education and Community Outreach

The Alliance also will be sponsoring events such as lectures, community forums, and tours to educate and inform residents and non-residents about the history of the fishery in Midcoast Maine, helping the public understand the various efforts that are underway to sustain the fishery for future generations. The Alliance believes that once educated, community members and visitors will be far more likely to engage in the many individual actions that will support the common goal of preserving the fishery.

Donations to the Alliance are fully tax-deductible.

For more information about the Alliance, to make a donation, and to become a member, please visit the website at:
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