TOURISM, ARTS AND HERITAGE CABINET
Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources
(Amendment)

301 KAR 6:070. Motorboat dealer and manufacturer registration.

RELATES TO: KRS 150.010(1), 150.195, 235.040, 235.220
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 150.021(1), 150.025, 235.220(1)
CERTIFICATION STATEMENT: The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, pursuant to statutory authority to promulgate administrative regulations to carry out the provisions of KRS Chapter 150 as established in KRS 150.025 and as an independent department of state government within the meaning of KRS Chapter 12 as established in KRS 150.021(1), promulgated by the commissioner with approval of the commission in accordance with KRS 150.010(1), does hereby certify this administrative regulation is promulgated in compliance with Section 8 of 2025 RS HB6.
NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 235.220 authorizes the department to establish an annual registration fee for a manufacturer or dealer of motorboats in the state of Kentucky. This administrative regulation establishes the requirements for registering as a boat manufacturer and boat dealer.

Section 1. Registration Application.
(1) A person shall apply annually for a boat manufacturer's or boat dealer's registration on the Motorboat Dealer and Manufacturer Registration application provided by the department or via the department's Internet site.
(2) A new application for annual registration shall be submitted each year to the department. Boat manufacturer and dealer certificates and plates shall expire April 30 of each year.
(3) Information to be provided on the application shall include:
(a) Name, address, and contact information;
(b) Address of business;
(c) Number of boats manufactured or sold in the year prior to application;
(d) Type of vessel manufactured or sold; and
(e) Copy of the Sales and Use Tax Permit issued by the Revenue Cabinet. If an applicant is using the Internet to process his or her application, he shall insert the six (6) digit account number issued by the Revenue Cabinet on the Sales and Use Tax Permit.
(4) A manufacturer shall include on an application for annual registration the assigned U.S. Coast Guard assigned manufacturers identification code.
(5) With the application, an applicant shall include the applicable fee for the Motorboat Dealer and Manufacturer Registration or for additional plate copies as established in 301 KAR 5:022 and available at https://fw.ky.gov/Licenses/Pages/Fees.aspx.
(6) The registration provisions of this section shall not apply to licensed out-of-state manufacturers and dealers who are attending boat shows and other temporary exhibitions in Kentucky, if their home state grants Kentucky manufacturers and dealers similar reciprocal privileges.

Section 2. Certification and Plate.
(1) Boat manufacturers and dealers shall place in a conspicuous location at his or her place of business, the certificate issued by the department.
(2) The plate shall be kept aboard a boat and readily available for inspection by a game warden. The boat shall also abide by the registration requirements of KRS 235.220.

Section 3. Revocation of Certificate and Registration. A boat dealer or manufacturer shall forfeit his or her registration certificate and plate if he or she has:

(1) Been convicted of a violation of KRS Chapter 235;

(2) Falsified his or her application for certification as a boat manufacturer or dealer; or

(3) Misused his or her boat dealer or manufacturer certification and plate.

Section 4. Incorporation by Reference.

(1) "Motorboat Dealer and Manufacturer Registration", 2026 edition, is incorporated by reference.

(2) This material may be inspected, copied, or obtained, subject to applicable copyright law, at the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, #1 Sportsman's Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or online at: https://fw.ky.gov/Licenses/Documents/Motorboat-Dealer-Manufacturer-Reg-App.pdf for the "Boat Dealer and Manufacturer Registration" application.

(301 KAR 006:070. 30 Ky.R. 1149; Am. 1767; eff. 1-23-2004; 48 Ky.R. 917; eff. 3-1-2022; 52 Ky.R. 487, 965; eff. 3-3-2026; 52 Ky.R. 2157; eff. 11-5-2026.)

APPROVED by the Fish and Wildlife Commission
RICH STORM, Commissioner

APPROVED BY AGENCY: MAY 14, 2026

FILED WITH LRC: May 15, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD: A public hearing on this administrative regulation shall be held on July 30, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., at KDFWR Administration Building, 1 Sportsman’s Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Individuals interested in being heard at this hearing shall notify this agency in writing by five workdays prior to the hearing of their intent to attend. If no notification of intent to attend the hearing was received by that date, the hearing may be cancelled. A transcript of the public hearing will not be made unless a written request for a transcript is made. If you do not wish to be heard at the public hearing, you may submit written comments on the proposed administrative regulation. Written comments shall be accepted through July 31, 2026. Send written notification of intent to be heard at the public hearing or written comments on the proposed administrative regulation to the contact person.

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