Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) Division of Aquatic Resources State of Hawaii

Bait License (non-Aku Boat) Specific Terms and Conditions

The *licensee* refers to any person issued a bait license. The bait license allows a commercial marine licensee to use small mesh net to take certain baitfish species, except nehu, for use as bait in a commercial fishing operation.

I understand that:

- 1. Licenses issued to individuals are non-transferable and cannot be used by anyone else.
- 2. It is illegal to take baitfish for a commercial fishing operation without valid bait and valid commercial marine license.
- 3. I must have a commercial marine license before I can obtain a bait license. If the bait license is not purchased at the same time as the commercial marine license, then the bait license will expire on the commercial marine license expiration date.
- 4. I must own or operate, or work as a crew on, a fishing vessel used in a commercial fishing operation.
- 5. I may take the following baitfish species:

Iao (Pranesus insularum)Tabae (Mollienesia spp.)Marquesan sardine (Harengula vittata)Threadfin shad (Dorosoma petenense)Piha (Spratelloides delicatulus)Gold-spot herring (Herklotsichthys quadrimaculatus)

- 6. I must use all baitfish taken as bait in a commercial fishing operation and it is illegal to sell or transfer it except for bait purposes.
- 7. It is illegal to use a small mesh net in a conical shape, including cast or throw net. I may use a small mesh net of any length to take the baitfish.
- 8. I must pay a bait license fee of \$50.00.
- 9. Unless exempted from the report requirement, I must complete and submit a Baitfish report once a month, by the tenth day of the following month, until my license expires.
- 10. I do not have to submit a Baitfish report if I did not go bait fishing during a month, but I still must submit any other *fishing reports required by my commercial marine license*.
- 11. I must provide true and accurate bait fishing activities on the Baitfish report. DLNR may return any report that is incomplete or illegible.