

## Quabbin Fishing Boater ID and Season Pass 2020 – F.A.Q.

- **What is the boater ID card for?**

Plastic boater ID cards have been provided to you to make the tag in and tag out process at the Boat Launch Areas easier for the attendants. The boater ID card is created when you obtain a [Quabbin Boat Seal by either the Boat Decontamination or Cold Weather Quarantine program](#). Each boater ID card comes with your name and boat registration number printed on it. It also has a scannable QR code that contains this information; this QR code is used to tag you in or out of the reservoir.

This ensures that we always correctly enter your name and boat registration number into our boater database. This helps to increase the accuracy of our database and improves our ability to protect our beautiful Quabbin Reservoir.

- **What is the difference between the boater ID card and my season pass?**

Your boater ID card is **NOT** your season pass. Your season pass is a separate card. Since you need to have your season pass for parking/launching at the boat launch areas, please always keep both your boater ID card and season pass card on you.

- **What does my season pass look like this year?**

This year your season pass is a plastic card with a round blue sticker on the back. If you own a boat but do not have a boater ID card, please request one at the boat launch area or visitor center; one will be created and mailed to you.

If you do not have a boat, but purchased a season pass, you will be provided with a plastic season pass card with a round blue sticker on the back.

- **What if I forget my boater ID card?**

If you forget your boater ID card, you can still access the reservoir! The boater ID card was designed to help make the tag in and tag out process easier for the boat launch area attendants. If you do not have your boater ID card, the attendant can still manually enter your name and boat registry number.

- **What if I forget my boater ID card/season pass?**

If you have a season pass, and forget your boater ID card the BLA attendant will be able to manually check you in and out. Please remember to bring your boater ID card and/or season's pass with you whenever you plan to fish at Quabbin.



- **What if my friend borrows my boat? Do they need my boater ID card?**

If you regularly use a friend's boat that you don't own, you should call the visitor center to request that a boater ID card be sent to you in the mail. There is no charge for this. You still need to pay parking and launching fees if you have not purchased a season's pass. Season passes are non transferable.

- **What if my friends come fishing with me and do not have boater ID cards?**

Only the boat owner needs to have their boater ID and/or season pass with them. Any friends accompanying the boat owner do not need to have a boater ID card with them.

- **What if I use or own two different boats?**

If you use two boats at Quabbin we can print you a new boater ID card that has both boat registration numbers on a single card. Bring that boater ID card with you whenever you bring either boat to Quabbin and let the BLA attendant know which boat you are using that day.

- **What if I pay for a season pass on-line and do not receive a season pass card before I go fishing?**

It will take approximately 7 to 10 business days from the time of purchase before you will receive the actual Season Pass card. In the meantime, you may use the receipt from your on-line purchase as proof of a season pass at the Boat Launch Areas.