



Join us! Work as a fishery observer

Fishery observers work on fishing vessels and onshore at processing plants collecting catch data and biological samples, and documenting interactions with protected species.

Working as a fishery observer is a unique job that takes place in some of the most remote, beautiful and pristine places on earth. It's a job that provides opportunities to gain unparalleled field experience, and to contribute to something big – supporting the future health of some of the world's greatest fisheries.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- ☑ Bachelor's degree in one of the natural sciences.
- ☑ 30 credit hours in applied biology.
- ☑ Minimum of one college level math and one statistics course.
- ☑ College course using dichotomous (taxonomic) keys.
- ☑ Background check and/or Criminal Disclosure Statement.
- ☑ Recent Physical exam.
- ☑ No direct financial interest in the fisheries.
- ☑ Successful completion of appropriate training course.
- ☑ Physically able to carry out observer duties.
- ☑ Not prone to chronic or debilitating seasickness.

TRAINING

To be eligible to work as an observer, candidates must attend and pass an intensive 3-week class by NOAA Fisheries, or a State Fisheries Department, depending on the program. Saltwater selects candidates from qualified applicants, and pays for their time, meals, and room and board during training if they pass the class.

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

For details on specific the job requirements, find your program's job description on our website:

- ▶ North Pacific
- ▶ Alaska Shellfish (Crab & Scallop)
- ▶ West Coast Groundfish

HOW TO APPLY

1. To make sure you qualify, review general **requirements** and program-specific **qualifications** for the fishery in which you're interested;
2. Gather your education **transcripts** (in electronic form);
3. Fill out and submit our Online **Application** at SaltwaterInc.com.

Once we verify your application and qualifications, we'll contact you for an interview – via phone, video conference or in person.

If you have questions or are unable to complete the online application, contact Saltwater for assistance.

