



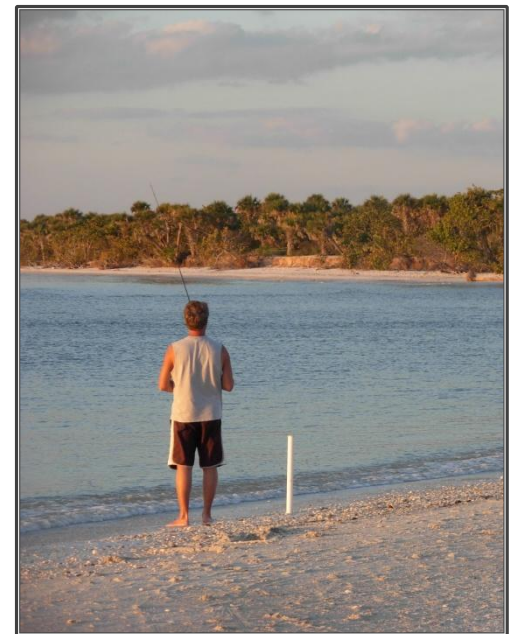
# *Do you need a* **SALTWATER FISHING LICENSE?**

## **BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2009, A SALTWATER FISHING LICENSE WILL BE REQUIRED FOR FLORIDA RESIDENTS WHO FISH FROM SHORE.**

- Shore includes piers, jetties, bridges, floating docks or similar structures
- The annual resident shoreline fishing license will cost \$9
- Resident anglers may also purchase a \$17 one-year saltwater license which covers both shoreline and watercraft recreational fishing

## **YOU DO NOT NEED A SALTWATER FISHING LICENSE IF YOU ARE:**

- Drawing food stamps, temporary cash assistance or Medicaid and carrying an issued ID card while fishing
- A resident fishing in your home county with live or natural bait using a cane pole or other gear that does not depend on mechanical retrieval
- Under 16 years of age
- A Florida resident over 65 years of age
- Fishing from a for-hire vessel
- Fishing from a pier with a valid pier saltwater fishing license
- A Florida resident who is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, home on leave for 30 days or less
- A Florida resident who possesses a Florida Resident Disabled Person Hunting and Fishing Certificate



## **BENEFITS OF NEW SHORELINE LICENSE FOR ANGLERS:**

- Anglers avoid paying for more expensive federal license
- Revenue from these new sales will go directly to improving Florida's marine fisheries. Programs supported by these dollars include fisheries management, research, enhancement, boating access, fish health and angler outreach
- Florida receives money from the Federal Sport Fish Restoration Program based on the number of recreational licenses sold

*Additional information may be obtained by visiting the following websites:*

**[www.catchandrelease.org](http://www.catchandrelease.org) or [www.myfwc.com](http://www.myfwc.com)**

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