

Safety Procedures Pouch Question and Answer

What is a safety procedures pouch?

A safety procedures pouch is a resource for fishermen to help them meet the requirement to have written safety procedures under both Transport Canada and the NS Department of Labour.

What is in the pouch?

The Pouch includes some resource tools, a wheelhouse logbook (coming in November), and a guide to completing your own written safety procedures.

Is there a cost for the pouch?

Yes – unfortunately due to limited funding we have to charge a minimal fee to cover our printing costs and delivery. Cost is \$50 (tax included).

Where/When will you be delivering these pouches?

We have made plans to go to 60 locations around the province (see list). This will happen over the next 3 months. We will assess once we complete these wharves and see if we can go to more in 2018.

How do I arrange to have someone come to my wharf?

The first step is to contact either Matthew (902-527-7985) or Brandon (902-742-6167) to see when/if they are coming to your area and set up a time to meet.

Is this a requirement to have a pouch?

No – there is no requirement that states that you have to have a pouch. The only requirement is to have written safety procedures to meet both Transport Canada and the NS Department of Labour regulations. How those look is up to you. Some associations are supporting their members by creating “binders” to support the requirement. Some independent consultants have binders for sale for fishermen. There is also an option to print the sample templates provided on the Transport Canada website – <https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/debs-fishing-vessels-small-menu-4526.html>. The difference between those efforts and the pouch is that we are providing a guide for fishermen to customize your own procedures and

walk you through the process. Our goal is to help support fishermen if they need some help with the process.

How do you deliver the Safety Procedures Pouch?

Our delivery team will meet with either individual captain/crew one on one or they can also do a group of captains/crew at one time. During a wharf visit we can help about 4-6 boats.