

## APPLICATION FOR A NORTH CAROLINA MARITIME MUSEUM LICENSE PLATE

Please remit $\$ 30$ check or money order (to NC DMV) and send with this application to:
Friends of the Museum, 315 Front St., Beaufort, NC 28516
The $\mathbf{\$ 3 0 . 0 0}$ special fee is an ANNUAL fee due in addition to the regular license fee. The Friends of the Museum will receive $\mathbf{\$ 2 0}$ annually for each plate purchased. Thank you for your support!

See other side for more information.


## Owner's Certification of Liability Insurance

I CERTIFY FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE DESCRIBED ABOVE THAT I HAVE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

PRINT OR TYPE FULL NAME OF INSURANCE COMPANY AUTHORIZED IN N.C. - NOT AGENCY OR GROUP

POLICY NUMBER - IF POLICY NOT ISSUED, NAME OF AGENCY BINDING COVERAGE

SIGNATURE OF OWNER
DATE OF CERTIFICATION
(Find this application on the web at: http://ncmm-friends.org/involved/licenseplate.htm)

## Answers to frequently asked questions

## Timing

As of August 2002 the NC Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) began distributing the plates and they are on the roads. People seeking an application for a Maritime Museum "Protect Wild Dolphins" license plate can now either go to their local license plate agency and/or contact DMV at (919) 861-3575 in addition to visiting the Friends of the Museum web site (see front of application). Please get your application(s) in soon and encourage others to do the same. The turnaround time (between when you order your "Protect Wild Dolphins" license plate and when you receive it should be 2-4 weeks (4-6 weeks for a personalized plate).

## Personalized plates

Your NCMM plate may be personalized. There will only be four spaces available for personalization. The Maritime Museum will be assigned a suffix that will be a part of the 5 digit license number (leaving 4 for personalization). There will be an additional $\$ 20$ fee for a personalized plate. The annual cost for a personalized Maritime Museum license plate will be $\$ 30.00$ for the special NCMM plate fee, plus $\$ 20.00$ personalization fee, plus your annual license fee ( $\$ 20$ or $\$ 25$, depending on your county). You may request your personalized plate any time. If you wish to do it now, please remit a check for $\$ 50$ (instead of $\$ 30$ ) and list your $1^{\text {st }}$ three personalization choices below:
$1^{\text {st }}$ choice: $\qquad$ $2^{\text {nd }}$ choice: $\qquad$ $3^{\text {rd }}$ choice: $\qquad$

## How does this help dolphins?

Your contribution through your purchase of a "Protect Wild Dolphins" license plate will be used to help support a long-term bottlenose dolphin study based in Beaufort, NC. We use photographs of a dolphin's dorsal fin to identify individual dolphins - a process known as "photo-identification". The scars and notches that the dolphins acquire on their dorsal fins are used to track the movements, associations, and birth rates of known dolphins. Additionally, as part of the Marine Mammal Stranding Network we respond to reports of stranded dolphins to collect data, tissue samples, and determine the cause of death. Through regular collaborations with regional colleagues and through various publications and presentations, staff members and volunteers of the NC Maritime Museum share this information with the scientific community, students, and the general public. For more information, please visit capelookoutstudies.org.

## How does this help the NC Maritime Museum?

The Friends of the Museum, the private non-profit support group for the NC Maritime Museum, will receive $\$ 20$ annually for each plate purchased. By purchasing the NC Maritime Museum special "Protect Wild Dolphins" license plate you will be:

- supporting the museum's research, conservation, and education programs,
- demonstrating your interest in protecting dolphins and their habitat, and
- making your car look better!


## Change your mind?

You may go back to a regular license plate at any time. If your special plate is still a valid plate, then turn in the special plate and receive a regular plate. There will not be a refund of unused portion of special fees.

## This application form may be copied.

In fact, we would be grateful if you would copy and distribute this application to anyone who you think might be interested. Please get your application(s) in soon and encourage others to do the same. Thank you for your support!!

