

Clerk to issue  
license.

immediately preceding his application, and a *bona fide* owner of the vessel, or upon the certificate of any justice of the peace of said county certifying to the same, shall issue a license to such citizen authorizing him to catch or take oysters with scoop, drag or dredge within said county, not parcel of any creek, cove, river or inlet, which license shall hold good for one season only, and shall only authorize the catching of oysters between the first day of October in any year and the first day of April next succeeding, on which last mentioned day the dredging season shall close and end in said county and said license shall expire, which said license shall specify the kind of vessel to be used, the number and name, if any, of the canoe or other vessel on which the said license is to be used, and he shall pay for said scraping or dredging license at the rate of one dollar per ton for the vessel to be so employed; and the tonnage of vessels under five tons shall be ascertained in such manner as may be prescribed by said clerk of the circuit court for said county, but no vessel above ten tons burthen shall be licensed or employed in taking oysters with scoop, drag or dredge within the waters of Somerset county, unless at the time of applying to the clerk for licenses as aforesaid, the owner thereof shall produce to the clerk a state license in force authorizing said owner to employ the said vessel in taking oysters in the waters of this state, in which case it shall be the duty of the clerk to issue said license to the said owner, authorizing him or the said master thereof, to employ the said vessel in the waters of Somerset county for the current oyster catching season, subject to the provisions aforesaid, upon his complying with all the provisions of this sub-title; and no canoe or other vessel shall be employed in taking oysters with scoop, drag or dredge, within the waters of Somerset county, unless the owner thereof shall have first obtained a license as above provided; and the said license shall not allow or authorize the taking or catching of oysters in any vessel over ten tons burthen, at any time when by the general oyster laws of this state it may be unlawful to take or catch

Must have  
state license.