



South Carolina  
**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION  
123 Ballard Court, West Columbia, SC 29172

Hugh E. Weathers, Commissioner

**There is no charge for the original permit or renewals. You may obtain additional forms at:** [agriculture.sc.gov](http://agriculture.sc.gov), click on the Forms link

**Please return this form to:**  
South Carolina Department of Agriculture  
Attn: Samantha Houston  
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West Columbia, SC 29172

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## SOUTH CAROLINA FOOD AND COSMETIC SALVAGER APPLICATION

The South Carolina Food and Cosmetic Act require that all salvage operations dealing in foods and cosmetics be permitted by the State Department of Agriculture. Permits expire each year on June 30.

There is no charge for the original permit or renewals. However, failure to submit the proper application will result in the forfeiture of your right to perform or assist in performing the duties of a Salvager in the state of South Carolina. To perform these duties without a permit is a breach of State Law.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ as an  
Applicant's Name  
authorized representative of \_\_\_\_\_  
Firm's Name  
located at \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Physical Address  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

hereby apply for a permit to operate in South Carolina as an authorized salvager of foods and cosmetics as a: *[Check Permit Type(s)]*

General Salvager       Railroad Salvager       Out-of-State Salvager  
 Salvager Distributor       Salvage Auction Firm

**NOTE:** You must apply for a separate salvage permit for each location you operate. Contact Number is required.

It is hereby agreed that all such salvage work will be in compliance with the South Carolina Food and Cosmetic Act and its Regulations for Salvage Operators Dealing in Foods and Cosmetics.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, ZIP      Phone

Would you like to receive your renewal notice by email?     Yes     No

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

**You will receive a Permit from the Department of Agriculture which must be displayed for public view at your salvage operation business.**

### 5-361. PERMITS

- 1. No person shall act as a salvager in South Carolina** unless he has a permit as provided in these regulations issued by the Commissioner.
- 2. There shall be five permit classifications for salvagers.** These shall be designated as follows: (a) **GENERAL SALVAGER:** The General Salvager is required to have proper facilities for cleaning and sanitizing food and cosmetic containers that are salvageable. (b) **RAILROAD SALVAGER ONLY:** The Railroad Salvager may segregate and clean soiled containers resulting from unit breakage or damage, which may be done with a cloth dampened with potable water. (c) **OUT-OF-STATE SALVAGER:** The Out-of-State Salvager may do general salvaging provided adequate facilities are made available and the salvage work is done under the supervision of the Department. (d) **SALVAGE DISTRIBUTOR:** The Salvage Distributor may only distribute and sell salvaged food and cosmetics after they have been reconditioned. In addition, the Salvage Distributor may do a minimal amount of segregating and cleaning soiled containers resulting from unit breakage or damage, which may be done with a cloth dampened with potable water. (e) **SALVAGE AUCTION FIRM:** The Salvage Auction Firm must have a business location and address from which business is conducted. An auction firm may not recondition or reprocess foods or cosmetics unless it also holds a General Salvager Permit.
- 3. Applications for permits shall be made upon a form provided by the Commissioner.** Application for permit renewal shall be made on or before June the first in each year for the permit year beginning the following July the first. There shall be no charge for this application.
- 4. The applicant shall satisfy the Commissioner** that he has adequate physical facilities for salvaging food and cosmetic products. If so satisfied, the Commissioner shall issue to the applicant a permit which shall be nontransferable. Where a person has more than one salvage operation, a separate permit is required for each location.
- 5. The Commissioner may decline to grant a permit** or may suspend or revoke a permit already granted after due notice to the applicant by mail or otherwise when it appears (1) that any statement in the application or upon which it was issued is or was false or misleading, (2) that the applicant or permit holder does not have adequate physical facilities for salvaging food and cosmetic products, or (3) that the applicant has failed to comply with any of the provisions of these regulations.
- 6. The permit shall be displayed conspicuously in the place of business.**