



Dear Stuffie Competition Applicant,

The Bristol Harbormaster's Office and the local fishing community are teaming up for the 13th annual Bristol Harbor Festival & Blessing of the Fleet on Saturday, August 15, 2026. The event takes place at Rockwell Park on Thames Street in Bristol, RI and will begin at 1:00 PM with the Blessing of the Fleet. There will be activities on the waterfront all day, including live music, beer & wine, the Blessing of the Fleet, a traditional Littleneck Boil prepared by local fishermen/women, and the much anticipated "Stuffie Competition."

The Stuffie competition will take place under the Festival Tent at 2:00 pm. **There is a \$25.00 participant fee to compete. Applications (see next page) are due by Friday, August 7th. We will only be accepting the first 20 applicants - so please don't delay in submitting the enclosed application!** The Bristol Harbor Festival Committee will be providing competitors with a bag of "Top Necks" or "Cherrystones" harvested by local fishermen. **You will need to pick up your bag of quahogs at the Harbormaster's Office, located in the Bristol Maritime Center, on Thursday, August 13 or Friday, August 14, anytime between Noon and 9:00 pm.**

On the day of the Festival, please arrive by 12:00 pm with at least five (5) Stuffies to be judged. Any remaining Stuffies will be served to the festival attendees.

The Bristol Harbor Festival has become a much anticipated signature event for the Town of Bristol. The committee looks forward to hosting you. Please see the enclosed application on the next page. We thank you for your interest in participating and look forward to a great event!

Thank You!

Gregg Marsili, Harbormaster & The Bristol Harbor Festival Committee



STUFFIE COMPETITION APPLICATION

Name:

Contact Information:

Address:

Cell:

Email:

There is a \$25.00 participant fee due at the time of application. Please submit your application by Friday, August 7th. Checks should be made payable to the: Town of Bristol, Bristol Harbor Festival. We will only be accepting the first 20 applicants - so don't delay!

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Application and payment can be delivered to the Harbormaster's Office, located at the Bristol Maritime Center, or mailed to:

Bristol Harbormaster
10 Court Street
Bristol, RI 02809

For questions or additional information, please contact the Harbormaster's Office @ 401-253-1700.

Thank You and Good Luck!