



Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
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EDUCATIONAL/SCIENTIFIC COLLECTION PERMIT APPLICATION

An Educational and Scientific Collection Permit is required by any person who wishes to take, transport or possess wildlife and their parts or products for scientific research or educational purposes at any time of the year; and/or before any person may lawfully salvage, otherwise acquire, transport or possess wildlife for any purpose not specifically covered under any other permit or license. For further information about Educational and Scientific Collection Permit Rule, please reference [here](#).

**This permit includes the salvage of parts of dead animals if the applicant intends to use them for educational purposes in the classroom or museum setting. If the applicant is seeking to just keep parts for personal use or is utilizing the parts for fly tying, etc., please contact the Warden Service at 207-973-3700 for the appropriate permit.*

Part I: Applicant Information

Applicant Name (Principal Investigator): _____
First Last MI

Institution or Organization Affiliation: _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street/Road or Box # City or Town State Zip Code

Physical Address: _____
Street or Road City or Town State Zip Code

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____

Names of Subpermittees	Title and Affiliation of Subpermittee	Will the Subpermittee be conducting this work independently?
1. _____	_____	____ Yes ____ No
2. _____	_____	____ Yes ____ No
3. _____	_____	____ Yes ____ No
4. _____	_____	____ Yes ____ No
5. _____	_____	____ Yes ____ No
6. _____	_____	____ Yes ____ No

Part II: Application Type

Check the appropriate lines identifying the application type. **Check all that apply.**

	New Project or Research Investigation	Renewal with Changes	Renewal without Changes*	Involves E/T Species, or Special Concern	Salvage of Parts	Educational Purposes	Existing Permit #, if applicable
Fisheries	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Wildlife	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bird Banding	_____	_____	_____	_____	Federal Permit # _____		_____

**If this is a renewal with no changes, please provide the permit number above and skip to Section V to review, sign, and date.*



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Part III: Research/Study Information

1. Quick summary of research objective:

2. Time period of Research/Study/Collection: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____
MM DD YYYY MM DD YYYY

Please note: Processing can take up to 40 days, please plan accordingly.

3. Location of Collection Study: Check all that apply

Please note: The state cannot give permission to collect data or conduct research on Federal Land. The applicant must reach out to the appropriate agencies to receive a permit.

- A. ____ State Land – If your research is being conducted on state property, you must submit a map detailing your study area and include a description/photo of any markers that will be used.
- B. ____ Private Land – If your research is being conducted on private land, you must secure permission to be there.
- C. ____ Proposed or Sanctioned Development – If your research is being conducted on property as part of a development project/ Please indicate the location and MDIFW ERID (Environmental Review Identification Number): _____
- C. ____ Lake(s), Pond(s), River(s), or Stream(s): If your research is being conducted on a body of water and you are collecting aquatic organisms.

4. Please indicate specific areas of the state where research, data collection, or studies are to be made. Please be as specific as possible. _____

5. If this permit is for educational and/or salvage purposes, please indicate the location of possession (where are the parts being held and utilized for education): _____

6. Class of animals to be collected: (Check all the apply)

____ Mammals ____ Birds ____ Reptiles ____ Amphibians ____ Invertebrates ____ Fish

7. Are any species you are collecting or researching listed as State or Federally Threatened or Endangered?

Applicants can consult the list of State E/T species [here](#). Please note that if you intend to conduct research on Federally listed species, you will need to consult with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Migratory Bird Permit Office, 300 Westgate Center Dr., Hadley MA 01035. 413-254-8643. For all other E/T species, consult with USFWS Maine Field Office at 207-631-8582, or email at mainefieldoffice@fws.gov.

____ Yes ____ No If yes, please list: _____

8. Are any species you are collecting or researching listed as Species of Special Concern? Applicants can consult the list of Species of Special Concern [here](#).

____ Yes ____ No If yes, please list: _____



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9. Species and numbers of each to be collected, handled, marked, or salvaged and location of specimen deposit:

Number of “handled” refers to the estimated number of each species that will be trapped and/or captured during the study, handled, and released with no attachments, modifications, or samples taken from the animal. The attached proposal should describe capture techniques in further detail.

Number of “marked” refers to the estimated number of each species that will be marked by banding, tagging, coloring, or physical alteration. The attached proposal should describe any marking techniques that will be used.

Number of “collected” or “salvaged” refers to the estimated number of each species that will be killed or removed from the study area. The attached proposal must state whether the species was killed, or carcasses or other parts were salvaged and where the collected specimens will be stored or disposed of following the study’s completion.

Number of “non-lethal sampling” refers to the number of individuals you intend to collect tissue samples, swabs for DNA analysis, fin clips, blood draws, etc. The attached proposal should describe capture techniques in further detail.

“Specimen disposition” refers to the handling and storage, and/or ethical disposal method and location.

Species	Projected # Handled	Projected # Marked	Projected # For Non-Lethal Sampling	Projected # Collected/Salvaged	Specimen Disposition
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

10. Types of capture sampling methods to be used: (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Targeted Mist Netting | <input type="checkbox"/> Passive Mist Netting | <input type="checkbox"/> Audio Lure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Capture | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera Traps | <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Observation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair Snares | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Lethal/Havahart Live Traps | <input type="checkbox"/> Snap Traps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rocket Nets | <input type="checkbox"/> Baited Box Traps | <input type="checkbox"/> Dip Nets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baited Hoop Net Traps | <input type="checkbox"/> Minnow/Funnel Traps | <input type="checkbox"/> Electrofishing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seining | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

11. Biological sampling to be conducted: (Check all that apply)

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|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blood Samples | <input type="checkbox"/> Tissue Samples | <input type="checkbox"/> Fecal Samples |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toenail Clippings | <input type="checkbox"/> Weight/Mass | <input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Measurements |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Feather Samples, please specify feather type(s) and quantities per bird: _____ | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |

12. Types of marking methods to be used: (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Shell Notching | <input type="checkbox"/> VHF Transmitters | <input type="checkbox"/> Ear Tag Deployment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nanotag Deployment | <input type="checkbox"/> GPS Tag Deployment | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banding. Please provide Federal Permit Number: _____ | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |

13. Salvage Collection: (Check all that apply)

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inactive Nests | <input type="checkbox"/> Skulls, Skins, and/or Bones | <input type="checkbox"/> Unhatched Eggs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |



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Part IV: Supporting Documentation: *The following items must be included in your application when relevant to your collection/study.*

- _____ Complete project proposal providing a clear description of the proposed research, collection, or study, including objectives, methodology, study techniques, and sampling design. The proposal must also include justification for both the target species and the proposed sample sizes or number of individuals requested, explaining how those numbers were determined and why they are necessary to meet the study objectives. If the work contributes to a larger project or has educational or outreach components, specify the nature of the contribution, anticipated audience, and expected outcomes.
- _____ If the study area locations are on state property, submit a map detailing your study area and include a description and photo of any markers or equipment that will be used and placed on the landscape
- _____ A copy of any relevant State or Federal Permits
- _____ A resume and list of references for the Principal Investigator
- _____ Individuals using immobilizing chemicals must provide the name and license number of the individual authorized to use these drugs
- _____ If this project has been conducted in the past but has been updated, amended, or modified, please list any associated permit numbers with this project. _____

Part V: Applicant Certification: *The applicant must read and sign this section in order for the application to be considered complete.*

1. I understand that in the case of migratory birds, a permit from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is also required. However, the Maine Scientific Collector’s Permit must first be approved and issued before a federal permit is approved. (USFWS: Migratory Bird Permit Office, 300 Westgate Center Dr., Hadley MA 01035. ((413) 254-8643)) For all other E/T species, consult the USFWS Maine Field Office: (207) 631-8582, or email at mainefieldoffice@fws.gov.
2. If an applicant plans to use firearms for any purpose while conducting activities covered by a Scientific Collectors Permit, the application must be accompanied by proof that the applicant possesses a current and valid Maine hunting license. This requirement also applies to any sub-permittee listed on the application.
 Do you plan to use firearms: Yes No
 If Yes, please provide your hunting MOSES ID number here: _____
3. Are you over 16 years of age? Yes No
4. I have personally reviewed this application and filled it out to the best of my knowledge. The information submitted in this document and all attachments are true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge.
5. I understand that only one amendment per project will be permitted per year.
6. I understand that I am required to submit a formal report of my findings within 30 days following permit expiration or with request for renewal in accordance with Chapter 6 Rules.

Signature: _____ **Printed Name:** _____ **Date:** _____

It may take up to 40 days to review and approve permits. Please plan accordingly.

Submit this completed application, with supporting documents to:

Wildlife and Bird Banding: WildlifePermits.IFW@maine.gov

Fisheries: Kory.Whittum@maine.gov